



## MINUTES

### **Oregon Racing Commission**

**June 19, 2014**

#### **Meeting Detail**

The Oregon Racing Commission (ORC) met on Thursday, June 19, 2014 in Room 1A of the Portland State Office Building (PSOB) located at 800 NE Oregon Street, Portland, Oregon

#### **Call to Order**

Commission Chair, Chris Dudley, called the meeting to order at 1:30pm

#### **In Attendance**

**Commissioners:** Chair Chris Dudley, Vice-Chair Charles Williamson, Commissioner Jan Palmer, DVM, Commissioner Michael Huber, DVM and Commissioner Angel Baez

#### **Staff**

Jack McGrail, Executive Director and Kelly Gabliks, Assistant Attorney General

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **Approvals:**

##### **June 19, 2014 Meeting Agenda**

**Action:** Motion to approve the agenda as submitted

**Moved by:** Commission Vice-Chair Charles Williamson

**Seconded:** Commissioner Michael Huber, DVM

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous with 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

##### **May 15, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

**Action:** Motion to approve the May 15, 2014 Commission meeting minutes as submitted.

**Moved by:** Commission Vice-Chair Charles Williamson

**Seconded:** Commissioner Jan Palmer, DVM

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

## Old Business:

### **Sub-Committee Update Reports:**

a. **Advanced Deposit Wagering (ADW) and Multi-Jurisdictional Hubs**

Vice-Chair Williamson stated that there is no ADW report for this month and that the sub-committee is scheduled to meet next month.

b. **Best Practices**

No Report

c. **Budget and Hub Funds**

No Report

d. **Medication and Horse Welfare**

Commissioner Huber stated that the sub-committee did not meet this month. He stated that the ORC is waiting to receive the uniform medication safety program rules formatted in a document that can be posted on the ORC website. He stated that after the document has been posted and all interested parties have time to review them, a stakeholder meeting will be scheduled.

e. **Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Jack McGrail stated that the summer race meets have begun. He stated that the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show (EOLS) went well with an average field size of 5.56 starters per race. He stated that there were no issues with the starting gate and that the handle was down slightly but comparable to last year.

Director McGrail reported that Grants Pass opened in an impressive fashion with a 30% increase to the handle over last year. The Fire Cracker Futurity trials were held on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> with 8 horses qualifying. The Fire Cracker Futurity finals will be held on July 4<sup>th</sup> with a purse of \$31,000.00.

Director McGrail reported that in national news is the Triple Crown and the bid by California Chrome. There were over 100,000.00 people at that event and a record setting \$150,000,000.00 wagered on the Belmont card. He thanked the ADW companies for doing a great job in making sure they were staffed and ready for the volume of business that occurred on that day.

Director McGrail reported that the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) has proposed some changes to the uniform medication safety program for testing standards. The ORC will be posting the latest version of the program on the ORC website prior to any stakeholder meetings.

f. **Future of Racing in Oregon Group (FROG) update**

Commissioner Palmer reported that group did not meet this month.

**g. Possible Decision Regarding ORC Meeting in Burns, OR**

After further discussion regarding holding the ORC September meeting in Burns, the Commissioners concluded that in consideration of the costs, the ORC would not have a meeting this year in Burns.

**Action:** Motion to cancel the ORC meeting scheduled to be held in Burns, OR on September 5, 2014.

**Moved by:** Commissioner Huber

**Seconded:** Commission Vice-Chair Williamson

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

**Action:** Motion to pay expenses for up to two (2) ORC Commissioners to attend the Harney County Fair in Burns, OR in support of their race meet.

**Moved by:** Commission Vice-Chair Williamson

**Seconded:** Commissioner Huber

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

**New Business:**

**Request for Totalizator License Renewal:**

**Amtote**

Jeremy Rothman, Deputy General Counsel for Amtote International was present to represent Amtote for their license renewal. ORC Mutuels Auditor Josh Dieringer stated that he reviewed the application packet submitted by Amtote who has applied for license renewal. Mr. Dieringer stated that he verified all information submitted and recommended the application for approval. Commission Vice-Chair Williamson went through the review process of asking the questions from the Totalizator License Application Due Diligence Check List. Mr. Rothman answered the questions asked by Vice-Chair Williamson from the checklist.

**Action:** Motion to approve Amtote International for license renewal.

**Moved by:** Commission Vice-Chair Williamson

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Huber

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

**United Tote**

Tim Tkacik, Portland Hub Manager for United Tote was present to represent United Tote for their license renewal. ORC Mutuels Auditor Josh Dieringer stated that he reviewed the application packet submitted by United Tote who has applied for license renewal. Mr. Dieringer stated that he verified all information submitted and recommended the application for approval. Commission Vice-Chair Williamson went through the review process of asking the questions from the Totalizator License Application Due Diligence Check List. Mr. Tkacik answered the questions asked by Vice-Chair Williamson from the checklist.

**Action:** Motion to approve United Tote for license renewal.

**Moved by:** Commission Vice-Chair Williamson

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Huber

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

**Intermountain Tote**

ORC Mutuels Auditor Josh Dieringer stated that he reviewed the application packet submitted by Intermountain Tote who has applied for license renewal. Mr. Dieringer stated that he verified all information submitted and recommended the application for approval. Commission Vice-Chair Williamson went through the review process of asking the questions from the Totalizator License Application Due Diligence Check List. Mr. Dieringer answered the questions asked by Vice-Chair Williamson from the checklist.

**Action:** Motion to approve Intermountain for license renewal.

**Moved by:** Commission Vice-Chair Williamson

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Huber

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

**Advance Deposit Wagering Company Annual License Review:**

Director McGrail reported that he has completed the annual compliance review for each of the ORC ADW licensee files. He stated that he requested updated documents to replace those with upcoming expirations. He stated that these are not license renewals, just the annual review because these were five year licenses. He stated that there is no vote or approval necessary. Director McGrail reported that most of the documentation that was requested has been received or is on its way.

Brad Blackwell was present on behalf of Twin Spires. He stated that there has been a delay on their source market fee agreement with PM because Twin Spires has introduced some new provisions. He stated that they are in the process of getting those worked out and should be resolved by the end of the month when their current source market fee will expire.

**Information, Materials and Approvals:**

None

**Contested Cases:**

None

**Other Business As May Properly Come Before the Commission:**

None

**Public Comment:**

Will Alempijevic General Manager of Portland Meadows (PM) stated that PM and the Oregon Horsemen's Benevolence & Protective Association (OHBPA) are still working on a contract. He apologized for the delay in the process and hopes that it will be completed by the end of the month. He reported that once they have an agreement with the horsemen, PM will have their

application ready for submission within twenty-four hours. Kelly Gabliks, Assistant Attorney General stated that the ORC will have to provide twenty-four hour notice to the public for a special meeting. She stated that notice for this meeting will have to go out to the public by 11:00am on Friday, June 27, 2014 in order to have a special meeting at 11:00am on Monday, June 30, 2014. All the Commissioners agreed that they would be available by conference call or in person for a special meeting.

**Confirmation of the Next Commission Meeting:**

The next ORC meeting will be Thursday, July 17, 2014, at 1:30pm in Room 1A of the Portland State Office Building located at 800 NE Oregon Street, Portland, OR 97232

**Adjournment:**

**Action:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:13pm

**Moved by:** Commission Vice-Chair Charles Williamson

**Seconded:** Commissioner Michael Huber, DVM

**Vote:** Chair Dudley took roll and the results were unanimous with 5 Ayes, 0 Nays