

NEBRASKA STATE RACING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: July 19, 2016

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Nebraska Racing Commission
Conference Room
5903 Walker Avenue
Lincoln NE

PRESENT COMMISSIONERS:

Dennis P. Lee Chairman
Janell Beveridge Vice Chairperson
Helen Abbott Feller Commissioner
Jeffrey Galyen Commissioner
Kristopher Covi Commissioner

ABSENT:

Chm. Lee convened the meeting at 1:07 pm in compliance with the provision of Neb. Rev. Stat. 84-1411. Notice of the meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star. In addition, copies of such notice were sent to those on the Racing Commission agenda mailing list. Notification was given to the public of the open meetings law and notification to its location for public view.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

Feller moved, seconded by Beveridge to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2016. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen. Abstain: Covi. Motion carried.

Beveridge moved, seconded by Covi to approve the May and June 2016 Financial Reports. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen, Covi. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SIMULCAST APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE MAY 5, 2016

Chm. Lee moved, seconded by Covi to approve the Simulcast applications received. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen, Covi. Motion carried.

RACING COMMISSION EMPLOYEE SALARY INCREASES (CONTRACTED AND NON-CONTRACTED)

Covi moved, seconded by Galyen to discuss this item in Executive Session. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen, Covi. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COLUMBUS RACING 2016 RACING OFFICIALS

Feller moved, seconded by Beveridge to approve the Columbus Racing 2016 officials for 2016. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen, Covi. Motion carried.

COLUMBUS RACING – REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY EXCEPTION OF NSRC RULE 9.001.16 AND 9.001.16A

Galyen moved, seconded by Feller to approve Columbus Racing's request. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen, Covi. Motion carried.

JOE HAWLEY – METHYLPREDNISOLONE POSITIVE CONTINUED FROM MAY 5TH MEETING

Chm. Lee moved, seconded by Beveridge to dismiss the charges pending against Mr. Hawley. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen. Abstain: Covi. Motion carried.

MEETINGS WITH ASSOCIATIONS

Nebraska Thoroughbred Breeders' Association
NE Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association – Lynn Schuller, update on petition drive for the constitutional amendment.

TANNER FIELDER – REFERRED TO THE COMMISSION BY THE FONNER PARK BOARD OF STEWARDS

Galyen moved, seconded by Chm. Lee to suspend Mr. Field for an additional three years. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Galyen. Voting nay: Feller, Covi. Motion carried.

The Commission went into recess at 1:53 pm to discuss Personnel issues.

The Commission reconvened at 2:01 pm and took the following action.

In regards to Item 4 – Chm. Lee moved, seconded by Feller to increase Tom Sage and Bob Pollock's salary effective retroactive to July 1, 2016 equivalent to a percentage of 3.5% from their current hourly rates. Voting aye: Lee, Beveridge, Feller, Galyen, Covi. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Sage
Executive Secretary