



AGENDA

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Commission may vote to go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from its attorney on any matter listed on the agenda. Any such Executive Session will not be open to the public.

A. Call to Order of the Arizona Racing Commission SPECIAL Meeting of April 5, 2019, at 10:00 AM

Commissioners Present:

Chair Rory Goreé
Vice Chair Thomas Lawless
Commissioner Jay McClintock
Commissioner Charles "Chuck" Coolidge (Telephonically)

Also present:

Rudy Casillas, Racing Division Director
Patrick Irvine, Commission Attorney
Kristian Fasching, Gaming General Counsel
Cassie Goodwin, Commission Secretary
Sheri Koss, ECU Supervisor/Hearing Supervisor

B. Action Items

1. Cochise County Fair Association – Consideration and Approval of Three-Year Permit to be run at the Cochise County Fairgrounds, Douglas, Arizona:
FY 2019: May 18 and 19, 2019
FY 2020: TBD
FY 2021: TBD

Director Casillas addressed the Commission.

Commissioner McClintock moved to approve the Cochise County Fair Association's Three-Year Permit to be run at Cochise County Fairgrounds in Douglas Arizona as follows: May 18 and 19, 2019, and years 2020 and 2021 to be determined. Vice Chair Lawless second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Goreé, Lawless, McClintock.)

2. TP Racing, L.L.L.P. Consideration of Final Three-Year Commercial Permit Renewal (FYs 2019, 2020 & 2021)

Director Casillas addressed the Commission.
Vincent Francis, General Manager, Turf Paradise, addressed the Commission.
Steve Nolan addressed the Commission.
Leroy Gessman, HBPA, addressed the Commission.

Commissioner Goreé moved to grant TP Racing, LLLP the Three Year Permit for 2019, 2020 and 2021. Vice Chair Lawless second. (No vote called on this motion.)

Commission Coolidge requested the Commission go into Executive Session for legal advice. Chair Goreé second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Goreé, Lawless, McClintock.)

Open Session recessed at 10:19 AM
Open Session reconvened at 10:27 AM

Chair Goreé indicated he is in favor of granting the permit with the following conditions:

- 1. Bridal paths are constructed and complete prior to the start of the next race season.**
- 2. The rail around the training track is completed and adjusted to a safer height, that is approved by the horsemen, prior to the start of the next race season.**
- 3. Any repairs flagged during the early September pre-race track inspection by the Department are resolved prior to the start of the race meet.**

Vincent Francis, General Manager, Turf Paradise, addressed the Commission and advised the bridal path and training rail are summer projects due to the heavy equipment required to complete the tasks but they can be completed prior to the start of the next race season. He also had no objection to making any corrections noted by Staff during the pre-race track inspection.

Chair Goreé stated there would be recourse against the Permit if these conditions were not met then.

Leroy Gessman, HBPA, addressed the Commission and agreed to the conditions.

Commissioner Goreé moved to amend his prior motion to stipulate the bridal path, training track railing and pre-race track inspection items will be resolved prior to the start of the next race season. Vice Chair Lawless second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Goreé, Lawless, McClintock.)

Chair Goreé moved to grant the three-year permit with the prior conditions as stated. Vice Chair Lawless second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Goreé, Lawless, McClintock.)

C. Commission Reports

1. Summary of Current Events Affecting the Arizona Racing Commission. A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K) – Only Commission Members or the Director may report. No discussion or action may be taken on matters reported unless properly noticed for legal action or discussion **None at this time.**
2. Identification of Matters to be placed on future agendas
Chair Goreé stated he would like a discussion with the permittees regarding raising money for future retiring racehorse adoptions.

D. Call to the Public

Those members of the public wishing to address the Commission must sign the signup sheet and be recognized by the Chair. Time permitting each presentation will be given approximately two minutes. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or re-schedule the matter for further consideration at a later date.

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E. Announcements

There may be a Quorum of the Arizona Racing Commission at the Turf Paradise Capital Lawn Lunch on Monday, April 8, 2019.

The next regular Arizona Racing Commission meeting tentatively is scheduled for **10:00 AM on Thursday, April 25, 2019**, at 1110 West Washington St., Building Conference Room 250, 2nd Floor, Phoenix, Arizona, and is subject to change based on a quorum. For current information about the Arizona Racing Commission meeting schedule, please visit the Arizona Department of Gaming-Racing Division website (<https://racing.az.gov/racing-commission/commission-calendar-schedule>) or call Cassie Goodwin at 602-771-4263.

F. Adjournment

Vice Chair lawless moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner McClintock second. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Goreé, Lawless, McClintock.) Meeting adjourned at 10:36 AM