NEW MEXICO HORSE RACING COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING & RULES HEARING

Date: March 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Place: Zoom Video Conference – Meeting ID: 819 0689 4928

Members Present: Chairman Sam Bregman, Vice-Chairman David "Hossie" Sanchez, Commissioner John Buffington and Commissioner Billy Smith.

NMRC Staff Participating: Executive Director Ismael Trejo and Paralegal Denise Chavez.

Others Present/Participating: Assistant Attorney General Delilah Tenorio

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Public Session 1: 1. Call to Order and Roll Call	6:33 – 8:28	Meeting called to order at 9:14 a.m. by Chairman Bregman. Roll call was taken by Denise Chavez. Assistant Attorney General Delilah Tenorio, Executive Director Ismael Trejo, and NMRC Paralegal, Denise Chavez were also present.	No Action Taken.
2. Pledge of Allegiance	8:35 – 8:47		Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Approval of Agenda	8:51 – 11:05	Chairman Bregman changed the Agenda so that the Rules Hearing and Rules Adoption were backto-back instead of conducting the Rules Adoption after Executive Session.	Motion to change Agenda as suggested by Chairman Bregman made by Commissioner Smith. Commissioner Sanchez second the motion. Motion

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			passed unanimously by roll-call vote.
4. Approval of Minutes: February 20, 2020	11:14 – 15:57	Chairman Bregman asked if the minutes were reviewed and if there were any changes. There were none. Assistant Attorney General Tenorio offered background information for the reason of having the February 20, 2020 minutes on today's agenda. The Commissioners wanted to meet in person to discuss issues with these minutes. Due to the pandemic in-person meetings did not happen and these minutes have been outstanding. The question of whether these minutes were able to be signed for fear that there is not a quorum as the Chairwoman is no longer on the Commission, the death of Commissioner Corazza and Commissioner Sanchez was absent on February 20, 2020. The Attorney General's office advised that this Commission as a whole should be able to adopt and finalize these minutes with the changes mentioned above since this meeting has an audio recording available.	Motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Commission Meeting on February 20, 2020 made by Commissioner Smith; Second by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
February 18, 2021	16:10 – 16:52	Chairman Bregman asked if the minutes were reviewed and if there were any changes. There were none.	Motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Commission Meeting on February 20, 2021 made by Commissioner Smith; Commissioner Buffington seconded

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			the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
5. Chairman's Reports	17:05 – 19:04	Chairman Bregman recognized his fellow Commissioners and the staff for all their hard work. He thanked the horsemen for expressing their wishes and beliefs to get horse racing back going. He also assured the horse breeders and other stake holders that this commission is working very hard to get racing back off the ground.	No Action Taken.
6. Agency Director Reports: A. NMHBA Report	19:22 -	Mary Barber did not have the usual race-a-day report since there has not been any horse racing. She did, however, mention there was a meeting with the NMHBA, Lonnie Barber and Brad Boehm at SunRay Park They plan to run all the NM Bred stake races there. They also hope to add just under \$10k a day for restricted overnight NM Bred races. They are looking forward to getting the races going at SunRay Park. Although, it is limited, they are very happy there is a purse tax agreement again so Ruidoso Downs can run their 2021 race meet and because of that they will be running all of the NM Bred Races there as well. There will be 2 new races they are very excited about. She thanked Ruidoso Downs for the additional races. They also hope to have their summer party and awards ceremony in late July. Everyone is invited and more information will be	No Action Taken.

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		coming. They are looking forward to the end of the legislative session, however, they are disappointed that the ADW Bill did not pass.	
B. NMRC Executive Director Report	21:38 – 25:34	Executive Diretor, Izzy Trejo reported: the new hire of in-house counsel, Richard Bustamante. He will start on April 5, 2021. Mr. Trejo congratulated Commissioner Smith for the stellar campaign of the 2020 AQHA Champion aged horse and Champion aged gelding Danjer. With the announcement of live racing the staff has began mobilizing: the stewards will begin moving in next week to SunRay Park and the licensing clerks are working full time to ensure that everyone will be licensed. The NHBPA and several of their chapters from around the country have filed a lawsuit in the US District Court for Northern District of Texas Lubbock Division seeking declaratory and injunctive relief, claiming that the HISA bill is unconstitutional. He recognized Leasa Johnson for doing a presentation before an international group of veterinarians at the RegVet 2021 Conference. She did a very good job!	No Action Taken.
7. Rules Hearing:	25:40 – 49:21	Chairman Bregman called the rules hearing to order. The purpose of this hearing is for the Commission to receive public comment on proposed amendments to the Commission's current rules and regulations. The Commission welcomes everyone present at	

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		this hearing. Each Commissioner introduced themselves (David "Hossie" Sanchez, Billy Smith and John Buffington). Assistant Attorney General Delilah Tenorio, is present to advise the Commission. Also present are Ismael Trejo, the Commission Executive Director and Denise M. Chavez, the Commission Paralegal. This hearing is being conducted pursuant to, and in accordance with, the provisions of the New Mexico Horse Racing Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 60-1A-1 through -30; the Open Meetings Act, Sections 10-15-1 through 10-15-4 and the New Mexico State Rules Act, NMSA 1978, Section 14-4-1 through -11. The New Mexico State Rules Act regulates rule-making proceedings and activities which are before Commissions and Boards. You may contact the Secretary of State's Office for information. Public notice of this hearing was advertised in the New Mexico Register. Copies have been available from the Commission office since	
		the notices were published and are available to the public attending this hearing. Copies of the proposed rules were also published on the Commission's website at	

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		www.nmrc.state.nm.us and were available upon request. Because of the COVID-19 public health emergency declared by the Governor and following guidelines for public gatherings established by the Department of Health, this rule hearing is being held online via Zoom. As Presiding Officer, I'm requesting that anyone who is present for this rule hearing and intends to comment on any of the proposed rule amendments, please submit your name, affiliation, and the proposed rule you wish to comment on in the chat box so that you may be called on and unmuted when it is your time to comment. Ms. Chavez will keep a list of everyone who has submitted either a written or oral comment and that list will become part of the record of this rule hearing. This is a formal proceeding and the proceedings will be audio recorded. The recording will become a part of the rule hearing record. Therefore, when a person is recognized to address the Commission you are asked: To Identify yourself for the record EACH time you address the Commission; and	

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		To speak loudly and clearly so the recorder can pick up your comments.	
		This hearing will be conducted in the following manner:	
		Delilah Tenorio, Assistant Attorney General, will present Exhibits to the Commission. I, as the presiding officer, will rule on the admissibility of the Exhibits offered for admission after allowing questions from members of the Commission.	
		Exhibits admitted into evidence are available for review by members of the public and will be provided on the Commission's website and to members of the audience upon request. After Ms. Tenorio offers Exhibits, and their admission has been ruled upon, I will open the hearing for comments from the audience.	
		We will proceed in numerical sequence through each proposed rule. We will address only one rule at a time. However, you may refer to other rules that reasonably relate to the rule being discussed or which relate to your comments.	
		The Commission does not follow the rules of evidence, but shall, in the interest of efficiency, reserve the right to limit all testimony deemed irrelevant, redundant, or unduly repetitious. The	

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		decision as to whether such testimony is irrelevant redundant or unduly repetitious shall be made by me as the presiding officer.	
		After a person has provided comment, Commission members will be permitted to question that person. Any member of the audience wishing to question that person may do so after being recognized by me, the Presiding Officer, after identifying themselves for the record. At the conclusion of this rule hearing, the Commission will hold its meeting where Commission members will conduct discussions and take final action on the rules, such as amending, adopting, or tabling them.	
		Ms. Chavez, has anyone submitted their names and intent to comment on any of the proposed rules? Ms. Chavez answered none.	
		Assistant Attorney General introduced the following exhibits: Exhibit 1: Legal notice published in the NM Register; Exhibit 2: Notice sent to interested parties; Exhibit 3: Updated Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties Version 14.4 – December, 2020 and	
		the Association of Racing Commissioners International's Controlled Therapeutic	

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		Medication Schedule for Horses, December, 2020; Exhibit 4: Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.6.9 (B), (F), and (N) NMAC entitled "Penalty Recommendations", "Permissible Medications with Acceptable Levels" and "Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs); Exhibit 5: Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.6.9 (O) NMAC entitled "Multiple Medication Violations (MMV); Exhibit 6: Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.2.8 (B) NMAC entitled "Financial Requirements: Insurer of the Race Meeting; Exhibit 7: Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 16.47.1.11 (A) & (B) NMAC entitled "Licenses Required" and "Powers and Duties"; Exhibit 8: Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.4.8 (A) NMAC entitled "Claiming Races: General Provisions; Exhibit 9: Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.5.11 (A) NMAC entitled "Workouts: Requirements"; Exhibit 10: Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.5.14 (D) NMAC entitled "Protests" Chairman Bregman asked for any comments on the proposed rules listed above (Exhibits 3-10). Ms. Chavez will let Chairman	

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		Bregman know if there is anyone on Zoom wanting to comment. Ms. Fincher commented that they had no idea what the rule numbers that the Chairman was reading off. Chairman responded that these proposed rules are available on the NMRC website and will be happy to address a particular issue with a rule. Executive Director Trejo clarified that there was a Rules Committee Meeting on all the rules being presented today on February 17, 2021 and the Agency has followed the process. Ms. Giles also commented on subsection D NMAC 15.2.5.14, regarding the \$1000 fee and frivolous protest. She does not think it is fair to fine the horsemen \$1000 beside the fact that so many appeals have recently been	
		overturned. Thinks the rule should stay at \$500. Ms. Alexander also commented on subsection D NMAC 15.2.5.14. She asked if there was a ration (an actual graph) that they could see as far as protests that were made, the number of protests that were overturned and the number of protests that "stood" to demonstrate that there was a frivolous protest issue and the definition of a frivolous protest. Chairman	

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		Bregman responded that there is no graph. Richard Erhard raised his hand and Chairman Bregman asked AAG Tenorio since there should be any communication due to the current pending lawsuit. AAG Tenorio responded that if Mr. Erhard is commenting on the rules hearing only, it would be appropriate to allow Mr. Erhard to comment. Mr. Erhard confirmed that his intent was to only comment regarding subsection D NMAC 15.2.5.14, Protests. His recollection was that there were concerns of the fee change from \$500 to \$2000 at the committee meeting. It was his understanding that there was a final agreement that the fee would be \$1000. He requested that this fee be reset to \$500. Chairman Bregman admitted exhibits 1-10 into the record. Ms. Chavez identified the list of individuals who had comments on these rules. Chairman Bregman thanked all Commission Members and everyone else present for their participation and attendance today. The comments submitted and the discussions heard during the rule hearing will be considered and may be discussed further by the Commission when it holds its meeting immediately following	

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8. Rules Adoption:	49:30 – 58:11	this rule hearing. The Commission will vote on the proposed rules at that time. Any rules adopted by the Commission will be filed at State Records and Archives in accordance with the State Rules Act and New Mexico Register publication deadlines. The adopted rules become effective 30 days after they are filed at Records and Archives UNLESS otherwise noted at the end of a SECTION. The Rules Hearing was adjourned at 9:55 a.m. Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.6.9; Updated Uniform Classification Guidelines for Foreign Substances and Recommended Penalties Version 14.4 – December, 2020 and the Association of Racing Commissioners International's Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule for Horses, December, 2020 Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.6.9 Subsections (B), (F) and (O) NMAC	Motion to adopt the amendments to 15.2.6.9 NMAC made by Commissioner Sanchez; Second by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to adopt the amendments to Subsections B, F and O of 15.2.6.9 NMAC made by Commissioner Sanchez; Second by Commissioner

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		Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule Commission's rule 15.2.6.9 (O) NMAC entitled "Multiple Medication Violations (MMV);	Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to adopt the amendments to Subsection O of 15.2.6.9 NMAC made by Commissioner Buffington; Second by Commissioner Smith.
		Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.2.8 (B) NMAC entitled "Financial Requirements: Insurer of the Race Meeting;	Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to adopt the amendments to Subsection B of 15.2.2.8 NMAC made by Commissioner Buffington; Second by
		Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 16.47.1.11 (A) & (B) NMAC entitled "Licenses Required" and "Powers and	Commissioner Smith. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to adopt the amendments to Subsections A and B 16.47.1.11 NMAC

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		Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.4.8 (A) NMAC entitled "Claiming Races: General Provisions;	made by Commissioner Smith; Second by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to adopt the amendments to Subsection A of 15.2.4.8 NMAC made by Commissioner Smith; Second by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
		Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.5.11 (A) NMAC entitled "Workouts: Requirements";	Motion to adopt the amendments to Subsection A of 15.2.5.11 NMAC made by Commissioner Sanchez; Second by Commissioner Smith. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

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		Chairman asked for a motion to adopt Proposed amendments to the Commission's rule 15.2.5.14 (D) NMAC entitled "Protests" Commissioner Smith asked Executive Director Trejo if this rule was approved by the Rules & Medications Committee on February 17, 2021. Executive Director Trejo confirmed that there was discussion and was ultimately agreed to change it to \$1000 instead of the originally proposal of \$2000. He also asked if there were any objections after it was adopted. Ms. Chavez confirmed that there were 2 objections out of 19 Committee members.	Motion to adopt the amendments to Subsection D of 15.2.5.14 NMAC made by Commissioner Sanchez; Second by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
Executive Session	58:51 - end	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the items listed in the agenda, pursuant to Sections 10-15-1H(1), H(3) and H(7) of the Open Meetings Act authorizing closed sessions for matters related to issuance, suspensions, renewal or revocation of a license; deliberations on adjudicatory proceedings and pending or threatened litigation.	Commissioner Sanchez moved to enter into Executive Session. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
Back into Open Session: 1:58 p.m. 9. Licensing/Pending Litigation/Appeals/Hearing Officer's Reports/Employment Contracts	2 nd Recording 7:20 – 7:43		can vote.

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A. NMHA (Pending Litigation)	7:45 – 7:59	AAG Tenorio reported that this matter was an update. No action was taken.	No Action Taken.
B. Purse Tax Agreement	8:00 – 8:13	AAG Tenorio reported that this matter will be discussed under Agenda Item 9(C).	
 C. Review and Possible Amendment of 2020/2021 Race Dates 1. Sunland Park (Licensing) 2. SunRay Park (Licensing) 3. Zia Park (Licensing) 4. Downs At Albuquerque (Licensing) 5. NM State Fair (Licensing) 6. Ruidoso Downs (Licensing) 	8:15 – 12:51	AAG Tenorio reported that the Commission would like to entertain a motion to make the following amendments to the 2020/2021 race dates: 1) Sunland Park – there are no amendments at this time. 2) SunRay Park – to begin their race meet on March 23, 2021 by beginning to accept entries, cancelling May 17 and May 24, and adding May 28, 29, and 30. 3) Zia Park – No amendments at this time. 4) Downs at Albuquerque – Amending race meet to begin on the dates that the NM State Fair race meet would have occurred which is August 28, 29; September 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and October 23. For a total of 19 days. 5) NM State Fair – Cancelling entire race meet. 6) Ruidoso Downs – Will be discussed under Agenda Item 9(G)(5). Chairman Bregman clarified that although the NM State Fair will not be running a race meet, the Downs at Albuquerque will be stepping in and running the dates for the State Fair. So, there will still be racing during the State Fair.	Motion to amend 2020/2021 race meet dates made by Commissioner Buffington. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

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D. Gerardo Ochoa-Pena & Israel Bordier (Hearing Officer's Report)	13:19 – 14:43	AAG Tenorio reported that the Commission would like to entertain a motion to adopt the hearing officer's recommendations, findings of fact and conclusions of law which includes a \$15,000 fine and a one and a half year suspension for Gerardo Ochoa-Pena and the horse "Major Bites" being disqualified and unplaced in the fourth race on January 4, 2020 at Sunland Park. The horse "Major Bites" will be placed on the veterinarian's list for 180 days and the owner, Israel Bordier must pass a commission-approved exam before being entered.	Motion to adopt the Hearing Officer's recommendations made by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
E. IMO: Brandon Muniz	14:45 – 15:28	AAG Tenorio reported that the Commission would like to entertain a motion to deny the renewing Mr. Muniz's license	Motion to deny Mr. Muniz's license made by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
11. Unfinished/New Business and/or Action Items Regarding Licensing A. Rules Adoption		See Section 7(B) above for Rules Adoption minutes.	

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B. Approval of Grace Period for Non-Steroidal	15:40 – 18:00	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve a grace period for non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs. Executive Director Trejo explained that due to some rules that were adopted today regarding non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, the agency is requesting a sixty-day grace period to allow all to be in compliance with the new rules modeled after the ARCI Model Rule. The Agency will continue to sanction anyone who is not in compliance with the old rule (prior to April 23, 2021).	Motion to approve a 60-day grace period made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
C. Approval of Purse Tax Agreement	18:03 – 18:50	Chairman Bregman called for a motion approving the Purse Tax Agreement. Chairman commented that he appreciates all who participated and agreed to this Purse Tax Agreement.	Motion approving the Purse Tax Agreement made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
D. Approval of Stewards for SunRay Park Meet	18:55 – 20:19	Chairman Bregman called for a motion approving the stewards for the SunRay Park Race Meet. Executive Director Trejo clarified that the Stewards being approved are: Ron Walker as Presiding Steward, Reese "Rug" Howard and Reuban Rivera as Associate Stewards. As substitute Steward in case of emergency, Gerald	Motion to approve the stewards for the SunRay Park race meet made by Commissioner Buffington. Motion seconded by Commissioner Smith.

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		Richards All of whom were also approved by Lonnie Barber of SunRay Park.	Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
E. Approval of Disposition of Surplus Items	20:24 – 21:46	Executive Director Trejo explained that the agency has been storing old equipment and spending much needed monies for the storage of such equipment. Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the disposition of the equipment as presented by Mr. Trejo.	Motion approving the disposition of the surplus items made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
F. Approval for SunRay Park 1. Approval of 2021 Condition Book	21:51 – 24:10	Executive Director Trejo requested this item be tabled to allow SunRay Park the opportunity to adjust their condition book from 17 to 18 days. So there is no delay, SunRay Park is to get the Condition Book to Mr. Trejo for review and approval and then it will be placed on the next Agenda for Ratification. Chairman Bregman clarified that in regard to Starter Fees – these are between the racetrack and the horsemen and has nothing to do with the Commission.	Motion to table the 2021 Condition Book for SunRay Park made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
2. Approval of 2021 Condition Book Officials	24:14 – 25:10	Executive Director Trejo stated that SunRay Park is requesting the approval of their 2021 Condition Book Officials as presented by SunRay Park.	Motion to approve the 2021 Condition Book Officials made by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion

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3. Approval of 2021 Stakes Schedule	25:12 – 26:02	Executive Director Trejo stated that in light of the changes from 17 to 18 days of racing SunRay Park will be asking to table this matter as well to allow them time to make the adjustment.	seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to table the 2021 Stakes Schedule made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
4. Approval of 2021 Purse Schedule	26:04 – 26:52	Executive Director Trejo stated that in light of the changes from 17 to 18 days of racing SunRay Park will be asking to table this matter as well to allow them time to make the adjustment.	Motion to table the 2021 Purse Schedule made by Commissioner Buffington. Motion seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
5. Approval of 2021 Gaming & Breakage	26:53 – 27:50	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the 2021 SunRay Park and the NMHBA.	Motion to approve the 2021 Gaming & Breakage made by Commissioner Smith.

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6. Approval of Jockey & Exercise Rider Insurance	27:55 – 28:31	Chairman Bregman called for a motion approving the Jockey and Exercise Rider Insurance as presented by SunRay Park.	Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to approve the Jockey and Exercise Rider Insurance made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
7. Ratification of Approval of 2021 Four Corners Futurity	28:33 – 29:07	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the ratification of SunRay Park's 2021 Four Corners Futurity Nomination blanks.	Motion to approve the ratification of the 2021 Four Corners Futurity Nomination Blanks made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

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8. Ratification of Approval of 2021 NM Breeders Futurity	29:08 – 33:55	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the ratification of SunRay Park's 2021 NM Breeders Futurity Nomination blanks. Executive Director pointed out that there is a typographical error on the blank it says "Finals May 34, 2021." Lonnie Barber of SunRay Park addressed this issue and said it should May 23, 2021.	Motion to approve the ratification of the 2021 NM Breeders Futurity Nomination Blanks made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
9. Ratification of Approval of 2021 Post Times & Wagering	34:10 – 35:10	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the ratification of SunRay Park's 2021 Post Times & Wagering as submitted by SunRay Park.	Motion to approve the ratification of the 2021 Post Times & Wagering Format made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
10. Ratification of Approval of 2021 Stall Application	35:17 – 35:54	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the ratification of SunRay Park's 2021 Stall Applications as submitted by SunRay Park.	Motion to approve the ratification of the 2021 Stall Applications made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by

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G. Approval for Ruidoso Downs 1. Approval of 2021 Stakes Schedule	35:55 – 38:11	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the 2021 Stakes Schedule for Ruidoso Downs. AAG Tenorio reported the Commission will entertain a motion to approve the 2021 Stakes Schedule on the condition that the Commission will continue to monitor the purse money as the race meet progresses and will revisit this item as necessary. Mr. True asked for clarification and stated he misunderstood.	Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to approve the the 2021 Stakes Schedule and will continue to monitor the purse money as necessary made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
2. Approval of 2021 Condition Book (Book #1)	38:13 – 40:01	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the 2021 Condition Book (Book #1) as presented by Ruidoso Downs. Mr. True clarified that Condition Book #1 is an initial step and may be altered as time progresses. Chairman Bregman reiterated that Starter Fees are between the Racetracks and the Horsemen and has nothing to do with the Commission.	Motion to approve the 2021 Condition Book (Book #1) made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
3. Approval of 2021 Post Times & Wagering Format	40:02 – 40:39	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the 2021 Post Times & Wagering Format as presented by Ruidoso Downs.	Motion to approve the 2021 Post Times & Wagering Format

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4. Approval of 2021 Racing Officials	40:40 – 41:16	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the 2021 Racing Officials as presented by Ruidoso Downs.	made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Motion to approve the 2021 Racing Officials made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Buffington. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
5. Approval to Amend AARD 2021 Racing License	41:18 – 42:27	Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the amendment of Ruidoso Down's 2021 Racing License. AAG Tenorio clarified that the amendment will reflect the cancellation of the race days of May 21, 22 and 23, 2021.	Motion to approve the amendment of Ruidoso Down's 2021 Racing License made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
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6. Ratification of Approval of 2021 QH Stall/TB Stall Application		Chairman Bregman called for a motion to approve the ratification of the 2021 Quarter Horse Stall Applications and the Thoroughbred Stall Applications.	Motion to approve the 2021 QH & TB Stall Applications made by Commissioner Smith. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
12. Public Comments	43:36 – 43:48	Denise Chavez reported that there were no public comments submitted this month.	
13. Adjournment at 2:33 p.m.	44:07 - end		

Chairman Sam Bregman

Date

Executive Director Ismael Prejo

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