

The
Peoria Tribe of Indians
of Oklahoma



BY-LAWS

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**BY-LAWS OF THE
PEORIA TRIBAL GAMING COMMISSION**

**ARTICLE I
COMMISSION NAME**

This Commission shall be known as the Peoria Tribal Gaming Commission.

**ARTICLE II
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS**

The principal place of business shall be in Miami, Oklahoma, and branch offices may be maintained at such other places as the commissioners may from time to time determine.

**ARTICLE III
COMMISSIONERS**

The Peoria Tribal Gaming Commission (hereinafter referred to as "Tribal Commission") shall consist of three (3) members appointed by the Chief of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma and ratified by a majority vote of the Peoria Tribal Business Committee.

Section 1. The members (hereinafter referred to as "Commissioners"), shall serve for terms of three (3) years and may be removed from office prior to the end of their term only for cause and by unanimous vote of the remainder of the Commission or by a vote of five Business Committee members at any duly called meeting.

Section 2. The first commissioners appointed shall serve as follows in order to establish staggered terms: one shall serve a 1-year term, one shall serve a 2-year term, and one shall serve a 3-year term, (initial terms only). After the initial term, all subsequent terms of appointment shall run for three years.

Section 3. The Tribal Commission shall select annually from its membership a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary.

Section 4. The Tribal Commission shall act by majority vote of a quorum present and each member of the Tribal Commission shall be entitled to one vote. A quorum shall consist of two members.

Section 5. The Tribal Commission shall hold its meetings at the Peoria Tribal Commission office Building or at such other places as they may determine from time to time.

Section 6. The Tribal Commission shall meet not less than once every two (2) months. The Chair shall have the power to convene special meetings with not less than 48 hours written or telephone notice to members of the Commission. Written notice of special meetings must be posted at the office of the Tribal Commission and the Tribal Headquarters no less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to special meeting.

Section 7. The Chair of the Tribal Commission shall have the power to call an emergency meeting to protect person and property and to address health and safety issues by telephone notice to members of the Commission.

Section 8. The Tribal Commission may exercise all powers granted by the Gaming Ordinance of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma and do all such lawful acts as are by statutes, regulations, or by these By-Laws directed or required to be exercised or done by the Commissioners.

Section 9. Tribal Commission members shall receive a stipend per meeting, in an amount approved by the Tribal Business Committee, as well as, reimbursement of reasonable travel expenses for travel related to Tribal Commission business.

Section 10. Vacancies shall be filled within 60 days by appointment of the Chief and ratification of the Business Committee, provided, however, that a Commissioner whose term has expired shall hold their seat until it is filled. A vacancy shall be deemed to occur when a Commissioner is removed, resigns or upon expiration of his or her term without regard to whether the Commissioner seeks reappointment. When a vacancy occurs, notice of such vacancy shall be posted for at least fifteen (15) days. The notice shall identify the qualifications specific to the vacancy, and request interested parties to file a statement with the Tribal Commission reflecting their qualifications and interest in serving as a Tribal Commission member.

ARTICLE IV **COMMISSION DIRECTOR**

The Tribal Commission shall hire a Director, with the approval of the Business Committee, who shall be responsible for the day-to-day monitoring of gaming activities, including the implementation and enforcement of the rules and regulations promulgated by the Tribal Commission. No one convicted of a felony of any kind or a misdemeanor related to illegal gambling or bribery may serve as director. The Director shall not have any financial interest in gambling.

Section 1. The Director shall, subject to the approval of the Tribal Commission, perform all duties, exercise all powers, assume and discharge all responsibilities, and carry out and effect all purposes of the Peoria Tribal Gaming Ordinance related to the establishment of all gaming activity. In all decisions, the Director shall act to promote and ensure integrity, security, honesty and fairness of the operation and administration of all gaming activity.

Section 2. The Director will be employed under the provisions of the Personnel Policies and Procedures of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma or under Personnel Policies and Procedures of the Peoria Tribal Gaming Commission, if applicable.

ARTICLE V
SERVICE AGENT

The Chief of the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, as well as, the Chairman of the Tribal Commission, shall be designated as the agents for service of any official determination, order, or notice of violation from the National Indian Gaming Commission.

ARTICLE VI
MANAGEMENT SERVICE AGENT

Each person or entity having a management contract shall designate by written notification to the Tribal Commission and the National Indian Gaming Commission, an agent for service of any official determination, order, or notice of violation.


ARTICLE VII
FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall begin April 1 each year and end March 31 the following year.

ARTICLE VIII
AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be altered, repealed or amended by the Peoria Tribal Gaming Commission.

The foregoing By-Laws were adopted by the Peoria Tribal Gaming Commission at its organizational meeting on the 13th day of August, 2015.



Secretary