

# **OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, September 19, 2024  
10:00 a.m.  
En Banc Courtroom  
1915 N. Stiles Ave.  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

## **STATEMENT OF OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT COMPLIANCE**

Notice of this Regular Business Meeting was filed with the Secretary of State's office in compliance with the Open Meeting Act. The agenda was posted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, in compliance with the Open Meeting Act. It was posted on the Commission website and at 1915 N. Stiles Ave., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the Commission's principal office.

## **MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024, REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**

The members of the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Commission met at 1915 N. Stiles Ave., in the En Banc Courtroom, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on September 19, 2024.

Members present: Commissioner Megan Tilly and Commissioner Scott Biggs; Chairman Jordan Russell, absent. Others Present: Ian Steedman, WCC; Lauren Hammonds Johnson, WCC; Sharon Smith, WCC; Andrea Delling, WCC; Tava Jones, WCC; Collin Fowler, WCC; David Oakley, LegisOK. Commissioner Tilly expressed appreciation for those in attendance.

After the roll was taken, Commissioner Tilly found a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

### **1. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Minutes**

The drafted minutes of the August 22, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Commission were considered for approval.

Commissioner Biggs moved to approve the Minutes. Commissioner Tilly seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Commissioner Tilly and Commissioner Biggs. The motion carried.

### **2. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Consent Agenda for Travel Vouchers Currently Outstanding**

Title 85A O.S. § 23 states, [a]ny Commissioner or employee of the Commission shall be entitled to receive his or her necessary traveling expenses as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act. The expenses shall be certified by the person who incurred them and shall be allowed and paid on presentation of vouchers approved by the Commission." In accordance with this section, the Commission will consider a vote to approve the currently outstanding vouchers.

All travel vouchers and one reimbursement listed within this Consent Agenda were made available to each Commissioner prior to today's meeting, are considered routine, and were enacted by one motion of the Commission.

Commissioner Biggs moved to approve the travel vouchers presented. Commissioner Tilly seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Commissioner Tilly and Commissioner Biggs. The motion carried.

3. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Commission's FY2026 Operating Budget Request**

Commission CFO Andrea Delling presented and answered questions of the Commission.

Commissioner Biggs moved to approve the Commission's FY2026 Operating Budget. Commissioner Tilly seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Commissioner Tilly and Commissioner Biggs. The motion carried.

4. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Amendments to Commission Policy WCC-23 Social Networking and Social Media Policy and Standards**

Communications Director Collin Fowler and Executive Director & General Counsel Lauren Hammonds Johnson presented and answered questions of the Commission.

Commissioner Biggs moved to approve the amendments to Commission Policy WCC-23. Commissioner Tilly seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Commissioner Tilly and Commissioner Biggs. The motion carried.

5. **Discussion and Possible Action to Open the 2025 Permanent Administrative Rules Rulemaking Record and to Set the Meeting Date for Public Comment Hearing**

Executive Director & General Counsel Lauren Hammonds Johnson presented and answered questions of the Commission.

Commissioner Biggs moved to open the 2025 Permanent Administrative Rules Rulemaking Record. Commissioner Tilly seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Commissioner Tilly and Commissioner Biggs. The motion carried.

6. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Engagement Contract with Riggs Abney for Review of the Commission's Own-Risk/Self-Insurance Program to Ensure Commission is Following Industry Best Practices**

Executive Director & General Counsel Lauren Hammonds Johnson presented and answered questions of the Commission.

Commissioner Biggs moved to approve the contract with the change of signatory name. Commissioner Tilly seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Commissioner Tilly and Commissioner Biggs. The motion carried.

7. **Update and Discussion on the 2024 WCC Annual Conference**

The Commission plans to host its 2024 Annual Conference at the OSU Alumni Center, located in Stillwater, Oklahoma on October 24 and 25, 2024.

Collin Fowler was recognized, presented, and answered questions of the Commission.

8. **Court of Existing Claims Administration Update and Discussion**

Commissioner Biggs presented and answered questions of the Commission.

9. **Update and Discussion on CaseOK**

Ian Steedman was recognized, presented, and answered questions of the Commission.

10. **New Business**

“[A]ny matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of the posting.” 25 O.S. § 311.

There was no new business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Biggs moved to adjourn. Commissioner Tilly seconded the motion. Those voting aye: Those voting aye: Commissioner Tilly and Commissioner Biggs. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.