

**EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE
OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2020, 10:00 A.M.**

STATEMENT OF OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT COMPLIANCE

This Emergency Meeting was held to address the threat of COVID-19 exposure at the Workers' Compensation Commission, "a situation involving injury to persons . . . when the time requirements for public notice of a special meeting would make such procedure impractical and increase the likelihood of injury or damage. . ." 25 O.S. § 304(5).

This meeting was also conducted under the new emergency provisions of the Open Meeting Act, as amended by SB 661 on Wednesday, March 18, 2020.

**MINUTES OF THE MARCH 20, 2020 SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**

The members of the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Commission appeared remotely via telephone, on March 20, 2020.

Members present: Chairman Mark Liotta, Commissioner Jordan Russell, and Commissioner Megan Tilly.

Others Present: Lauren Hammonds Johnson, WCC; Collin Fowler, WCC; Eric Russell, WCC; Hopper Smith, WCC; Shane Curtin, ALJ.

Chairman Liotta expressed appreciation for those in attendance. After the roll was taken, he announced the presence of a quorum. The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

1. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Operation of the Workers' Compensation Commission and Agency Concerns Related to COVID-19

Motion: Commissioner Tilly moved to adopt the proposal by Chairman Liotta to remain closed for another week to encompass the 14 day quarantine period; the Workers' Compensation Commission will reopen on Monday, March 30, 2020 in limited capacity and employees telecommuting; the Commission will issue a policy regarding self-evaluations employees must take before coming to work; the Commission will issue a plan from Administrative Law Judge Shane Curtin to guide stakeholders on operations while the Workers' Compensation Commission is closed down and after it reopens.

Second: Commissioner Russell.

Those voting aye: Chairman Liotta, Commissioner Russell, and Commissioner Tilly.

The motion carried.

2. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Governor Stitt's Amended Executive Order 2020-07, signed March 17, 2020.**

The Commissioners discussed Governor Stitt's Amended Executive Order 2020-07 in regards to the agency and its emergency response to COVID-19.

There was no action taken on this agenda item.

3. **Announcements**

Chairman Liotta stated that these announcements are subject to change. The Commission's next special business meeting is on Thursday, March 26, 2020, at 1:30 p.m. The Commission's next dual Physician Advisory Committee meeting is on Friday, March 27, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT.....Chairman Mark Liotta

Motion: Commissioner Tilly moved to adjourn.

Second: Commissioner Russell.

Those voting aye: Chairman Liotta, Commissioner Russell, and Commissioner Tilly

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.