

Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission
Board of Commission Meeting
January 7, 2010, 1:15pm
Nebraska State Capitol, Room 1023
Lincoln, NE.

January 7, notes, no formal minutes due to lack of quorum

Commissioner Attending: Pete Kotsiopoulos, Marlin Peterman, John Plucknett, Jon Camp, David Potter, Tim Gilligan,
Kathy McKillip – NIZC Director, Richard Baier, NDED Director

Members Excused: Mary Ann Borgeson, Rich Jansen, Tom DeLong, Marsha Babcock, Jack Huck, Dave Nielsen, Pete Festersen, Phil Mullin, Jeff Weak, Ernie Arbariotes, Brad Stauffer, Brenda Gunn, Mark Stursma.

Visitors: Randy Peters, Steve Miller, Lori Cole, Patty Wood, Larry Hudkins

NIZC Chair, John Plucknett, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

Kathy McKillip, NIZC Executive Director, then took the Commission roll call at 1:30PM.

Approval of the Agenda

Unable to approve, due to lack of quorum, agenda items will be re-submitted for the Feb. 2010 meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Unable to approve Dec. 2009 minutes, due to lack of quorum, item tabled until Feb. 2010 meeting.

Public Comment Period

There was no schedule Public Comment Period at this meeting.

Commission Discussion/Notes

Since there was not a quorum, discussion was general and focused on Senator Luncheon comments and the beginning stages of creating a vehicle to hand off the Commission's work to.

As a result, Luncheon discussion focused on the following bullet points;

- Keep Senator's involved in our process even during the sun setting period.

- Gretna has stated interest in wanting to ensure that an Association takes place (reported by Tim Gilligan).
- The K-10 option is “OK”; however, it does not have the type of dues paying structure that an I-80 Corridor Association might need.
- “Where does the developer go, when they need assistance and resources to develop into the areas that are not covered?” How can an Association assist that process?
- The Department of Roads role, input and participation will be critical.
- By June/Aug. meeting, have an Association ready to file in case there are 501-C3 issues.
- Create a time-line at the next NIZC meeting regarding the “sun setting” process and present to the Senators before the session ends.
- Send an email thanking the Senators for attending today’s event.

Closing Comments

At this time, since there was not a quorum and the Commission was unable to conduct any additional business, meeting was adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy McKillip
Executive Director - NIZC