

**INDIAN NATIONS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING HELD
Tuesday, January 13, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.**

Minutes

1. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Indian Nations Council of Governments was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at 1:30 p.m., 1 West 3rd Street, Williams Tower I, Plaza Level, Saint Francis Health System Conference Room, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, the agenda was posted with the Tulsa County Clerk on January 8, 2026. The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Stan Sallee, and a quorum was declared.

Members Present:

Anthony Archie – City of Tulsa
Chris Benge – Tulsa County
Mike Burdge – Sand Springs
Ron Burrows – Rogers County
Carol Bush – City of Tulsa
Joyce Calvert – Glenpool
Julie Casteen – Coweta
Sarah Davis – City of Tulsa
Lisa Ford – City of Broken Arrow
Robert Gardner – Tulsa County
Darren Gantz – Tulsa County
Craig Henderson – Sapulpa

Karen Keith – Tulsa County
Don Newberry – Tulsa County
Stan Sallee – Tulsa County
Larry Shafer – Collinsville
Lonnie Sims – Tulsa County
Newt Stephens – Creek County
Shane Stone – City of Tulsa
Thomas Sweet – City of Catoosa
Candy Thomas – Osage Nation
Mark Whinnery – Tulsa County
Debra Wimpee – City of Broken Arrow
Kris Wyatt – City of Bristow

Staff Present:

Jon Brown
David Tillotson
Mike Carter
Jody King

Mack Savala
Joshua Sharum
David Tillotson

Guests:

LaDonna Brewer
Rich Brierre
Braden Cale
JT Darling
Thomas Dow
Brad Gemeinhart

Jared Hurst
Rachel Moore
Ty Simmons
Brenda Strahan
John Tankard

2. Approval of Minutes of INCOG Board meeting December 9, 2025

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Burdge and seconded by Mr. Stephens, the Board voted to approve the minutes of December 9, 2025. Motion carried.

Aye: Archie, Benge, Burdge, Burrows, Bush, Calvert, Casteen, Davis, Ford, Gantz, Henderson, Keith, Sallee, Shafer, Sims, Stephens, Stone, Sweet, Thomas, Whinnery, Wimpee, Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

3. Staff Report

Rich Brierre presented this item to the Board.

Transportation

The INCOG Board, with some frequency, approves projects for federal transportation funding through the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, Transportation Alternatives Program and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program. INCOG, for years, has hosted quarterly meetings with ODOT program delivery staff and local government project sponsors to review the status of projects and the project delivery progress. The process on individual grants often take many years beginning with design, right-of-way acquisition, utility relocation, environmental clearance, preparation of bid documents and ultimately construction. We currently have approximately 80 projects approved by the Board in the implementation process. I am pleased to report that the ODOT Commission approved the letting of seven INCOG area local projects this month. Including projects in Tulsa, Broken Arrow, Sapulpa and Tulsa County.

Community and Economic Development

Staff are working with the City of Bristow on an Economic Development Administration Disaster Supplemental funding grant application for a project to fund local road improvements to support a major expansion of a defense contractor. The project would also involve Oklahoma Disaster Assistance Matching Grant Program funds through the Oklahoma Department of Commerce.

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We are hosting NG 9-1-1 GIS training in our offices today with about 25 local GIS staff from northeast Oklahoma.

4. Legislative Report

Mr. Brierre reported that the second session of the Oklahoma Legislature is set to begin in three weeks. Over 2,500 new bills have been filed, with bill language available now on over 500 bills. The legislature will also consider hundreds of carry-over bills from the first session.

Senator Gillespie's bill to codify the state share of the non-federal match for FEMA Public Assistance Program is Senate Bill 1288. A companion bill in the House has been requested by Representative Waldron with identical bill language.

It will be a busy first month at the legislature as the deadline for bills to be approved by the Committee of origin is March 5th.

5. Transportation Program

FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments

Braden Cale presented three projects to the Board for approval to the amend the FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). All three projects are funded with Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds that have been previously approved by the Board. A summary of the TIP amendments was included in the agenda packet. The first two projects involve wayfinding signate on trails in the City of Tulsa and the City of Broken Arrow. The City of Tulsa project includes signage along the Katy Trail, Gilcrease Expressway Trail, Mingo Valley Trail, and Creek Turnpike Trail. The City of Broken Arrow plans to use the funding for signage on Liberty Trail. The final project is for the City of Tulsa and involves the use of CMAQ funding for technology upgrades at the City's Traffic Operations Center. INCOG staff recommended approval of the TIP amendments.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Burdge and seconded by Ms. Keith the Board voted to approve the TIP amendments as presented. Motion carried.

Aye: Archie, Bengé, Burdge, Burrows, Bush, Calvert, Casteen, Davis, Ford, Gantz, Henderson, Keith, Sallee, Shafer, Sims, Stephens, Stone, Sweet, Thomas, Whinnery, Wimpee, Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

[Mr. Gardner and Mr. Newberry arrived]

6. Approval of Community Expansion of Nutrition Assistance (CENA) Grant Awards

Brenda Strahan stated that the Board approved the first round of funding last summer. After those awards, we had approximately \$88,000 remaining and opened a second round of applications. We did not receive as many applications as anticipated, and many requests were for relatively small amounts. For this round we encouraged applicants to request funding where they had unmet needs.

Based on the applications received, staff recommended the following second-round awards to Broken Arrow Seniors, Inc., Depew Senior Citizens, Glenpool Senior Citizens, Inc., Jenks Senior Citizens, Inc, Kellyville Senior Citizens, Inc., Senior Citizens of Kiefer, Life Senior Services, and West Osage Senior Citizens (Shidler).

A list of the FY 2026 CENA funding awards was included in the agenda packet. The Board was asked to approve the CENA grant awards as presented and to authorize execution of project contracts.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Burdge, seconded by Ms. Ford, the Board voted to approve the CENA grant awards as presented and authorize execution of project contracts. Motion carried.

Aye: Archie, Bengé, Burdge, Burrows, Bush, Calvert, Casteen, Davis, Ford, Gardner, Gantz, Henderson, Keith, Newberry, Sallee, Shafer, Sims, Stephens, Stone, Sweet, Thomas, Whinnery, Wimpee, Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

7. Contracts

Mr. Brierre presented this item to the Board.

A. Receivables:

1. Town of Kiefer – Community Development Block Grant (19782 CDBG 25) Update Capital Improvement Plan –\$36,000 (new)
2. City of Oilton – Community Development Block Grant (19785 CDBG 25) Update Capital Improvement Plan –\$20,000 (new)

B. Expenditures:

1. RDG Planning and Design – GO Plan Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Master Plan Update – contract extension to June 30, 2026

Upon motion, made by Ms. Keith and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board voted to approve

the contracts as presented. Motion carried.

Aye Archie, Bengé, Burdge, Burrows, Bush, Calvert, Casteen, Davis, Ford, Gardner, Gantz, Henderson, Keith, Newberry, Sallee, Shafer, Sims, Stephens, Stone, Sweet, Thomas, Whinnery, Wimpee, Wyatt

Nay: None

Abstain: None

7. New Business

No new business.

8. Announcements

Chairman Sallee mentioned the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade in Tulsa on January 19th in the Greenwood District and begins at 11:00 a.m. The Elected Officials Reception will be held on January 21st at Williams Lodge at the Gathering Place. We will also be presenting the Robert J. LaFortune Award. And the Chili Bowl is underway at Expo Square.

Mr. Stephens mentioned the January 30th ribbon cutting in Sapulpa for downtown streetscape improvements.

9. Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.