



**Board of Riley County
Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Minutes
January 03, 2022**

115 North 4th Street
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Commission Chambers

8:30 AM

[District 1 – John Ford, Chair](#)

[District 2 – Greg McKinley, Vice Chair](#)

[District 3 – Kathryn Focke, Member](#)

8:30 AM

Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John Ford	County Commissioner	Present	8:30 AM
Kathryn Focke	County Commissioner	Present	8:30 AM
Greg McKinley	County Commissioner	Present	8:30 AM
Rich Vargo	County Clerk	Present	8:30 AM
Clancy Holeman	Counselor/Director of Administrative Services	Present	8:30 AM
Christian Bright	KMAN	Present	8:31 AM
Michele Reid	Payroll & Benefits Spec & HR Associate	Present	8:34 AM
John Ellermann	Public Works Director/County Engineer	Remote	8:36 AM
Greg Steere	RCPD Captain	Present	9:25 AM

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

1. Public Comments

Commission Comments

2. Commission Comments

Ford's Comments:

Hopefully everyone had a safe and wonderful start to 2022. Let's hope this year is full of prosperity and optimism that the last two year has failed to give us. I spent the New Year's hanging out with some friends Friday night, pretty low key and quiet just how it really needed to be.

Saturday I watched quite a bit of college football. Congratulations to

Baylor and Oklahoma State for their wins in the Sugar and Fiesta Bowls respectively for the Big 12.

Saturday I also watched the Wildcats lose a close one in Norman 71-69 to the Sooners. However, the K-State girls made up for it by beating #10 Baylor at home Sunday 68-59.

Also wanted to thank all the local public works crews (County, City, and KDOT) for their tremendous work keeping up with the roads and plowing over the weekend as this first winter storm rolled through the area over the weekend. Being the holiday and everything your hard work, long hours and efforts are greatly appreciated.

McKinley's Comments:

A quiet weekend. Stayed home for New Year's Eve. The only excitement was that the furnace quit and we woke up to a 58 degree house New Year's Day. I got it restarted, but it was a cool morning.

Focke's Comments:

Thursday helped at the First Lutheran Church community meal in the late afternoon. Numbers were down, approximately 52 people picked up meals. We are doing hybrid to go meals, some people choose to eat in the dining hall, and some take their meals. All meals are packaged to-go. Our "First Closet" of clothes and personal hygiene items is available to attendees.

We took food and other supplies to the Be Able Community Center as they were opening their facility to people needing shelter during the cold weather. They had procedures in place for people to stay for upcoming nights.

Friday had lunch with City Commissioners Morse and Reddi to catch up on various city and personal activities. Due to the weather, I decided not to attend the New Year's Eve VIP reception in Aggieville at the Bluemont Hotel.

The weekend I stayed home and got caught up on household chores and rest. Attended church on Sunday morning and shoveled snow in the afternoon.

Business Meeting

3. Riley County Shared Leave Request Form

Move to approve the Riley County Shared Leave Request Form.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Greg McKinley, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke, McKinley

4. Sign Riley County Personnel Action Form(s)

The Board of County Commissioners signed Riley County Personnel Action Form for Sarah Haybarker, a new hire, as a Maternal & Child Health Social Worker, in the Health Department, at a grade Q step 1, at \$2,070.53 biweekly.

Review Minutes

5. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Dec 30, 2021 8:30 AM

Move to approve the minutes.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Greg McKinley, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke, McKinley

Review Tentative Agenda

6. Tentative Agenda

Press Conference Topics

7. Discuss Press Conference

8. Administrative Work Session

Holeman said he will be working on the legislative program with legislators this week.

Holeman stated he will also be working on the indigent panel agreement and other county department matters.

9. Pending County Projects County Counselor

9:20 AM Break

9:30 AM Press Conference

10. RCPD update - Captain Greg Steere (3-5 minutes)

Steere reported it has been a quiet holiday season.

Steere said Officer Wood has retired and additional promotions have taken place.

Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Greg McKinley, County Commissioner
SECONDER:	Kathryn Focke, County Commissioner
AYES:	Ford, Focke, McKinley