

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RUTHERFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE FOUNDATION ON MAY 8, 2012 AT 12:00 Noon.**

**PRESENT: CHAIRMAN JULIUS OWENS  
VICE CHAIRMAN WILLIAM ECKLER  
SUSAN CROWE  
EDDIE HOLLAND  
ROGER RICHARD**

**ALSO PRESENT: MEMBERS OF THE ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTESS, PRESIDENT MYRA JOHNSON, AND STAFF MEMBERS**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Isothermal Community College Board of Trustees' President David Herndon called the ICC Board of Trustees to order.

Chairman Owens called the Rutherford County Commissioners to order.

**INVOCATION AND LUNCH**

Mr. Stephen Matheny led in the invocation and lunch was served.

**ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE/BUDGET 2012-2013**

Dr. Myra Johnson and staff members answered questions that had been raised at the May 7 County Commissioners' meeting regarding the nursing program of Isothermal Community College.

Dr. Johnson also told those present that the deed for the property which the county had presented to ICC had been recorded, and the parking lot on this piece of property had been completed.

Dr. Johnson related budgetary information of the college. There had been an 11.5% reversion of state funds this year of which 10% was reverted before the college received the funds. Each year for the past several years the college has experienced growth, but enrollment figures have now declined. Most displaced workers have already gone through the system.

Mr. Stephen Matheny reviewed the draft budget requests for ICC. Included was a salary adjustment of 2.5% provided to continue equity with the county's scale. The medical insurance and retirement contributions reflect the current rates set by the State Budget and will be adjusted to reflect any changes in the new budget year as determined by the legislature.

One additional position has been included to assist with additional space leased at the Rutherfordton Learning Center.

Utilities have been increased by \$32,000. Electrical utility costs have risen slightly due to Duke Energy's rate increase even though KW usage is projected to be down.

The total requested increase is \$116,967 or 6.18% for 2012-2013. ICC did not receive funding for increases in employee benefits in the prior year's budget, and a portion of the percentage increase reflects current rates.

Mr. Matheny asked that the Commissioners consider the increases and grant approval.

**PROPERTY/ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Chairman Owens reminded those present that the county had awarded a portion of the Daniel Road property to Isothermal Community College. This property is being used for additional parking for the college. He asked that ICC reciprocate and award property on the west side of Piney Ridge Road to the county to be used for soccer fields and a police and fire fighter training ground. He asked that this be considered by the college board and that this be added to the June 4 agenda.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Crowe made a motion to adjourn. Following a second by Vice Chairman Eckler, the Board voted unanimously in favor.

1:10 P.M. - Adjourned.

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Chairman, Board of Commissioners

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Vice Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Attest:

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Clerk, Board of Commissioners