

Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation
Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2018
Weatherford City Hall – 522 W. Rainey Ave – Weatherford, OK 73096

- Call to order – President Chuck Dougherty called the meeting to order at 7:05 a.m.
- Notice – Notice of the meeting was posted at the Weatherford City Hall and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk at 3:20 p.m., May 29, 2018.
- Attendance – Please see attached sign-in sheet for attendance. Special guests were recognized or introduced.
- Approval of Minutes – Minutes from the meeting of May 9, 2018 were unanimously approved.
- Presentation of Treasurer’s Report – The WEDF financial information was provided to members by Chuck Dougherty. Funds in reserve total \$91,574.39 as of 05/31/18.
- WAEDF Economic development update – Chuck Dougherty reported on the following:
 1. Exit 82 Phase II – The stamped concrete wall to control erosion has been delayed due to bid problems. There is no definitive date for completion. The manhole height needs to be corrected still. The drainage at ASAP has been corrected.
 2. Exit 82 Phase III – Connects S Access road to Main Street – CEC is developing the plan.
 3. West Main Project – Construction continues on the Bob Bartmann building at the corner of 8th Street and Main Street.
 4. Chicken Express – Construction is proceeding quickly.
 5. Estates of Weatherford – All units are ready for occupancy. Remaining items are landscaping, etc.
 6. Red Rock Behavioral Health – Initial plans were approved by the Weatherford Industrial Trust. The estimated cost of the project has increased to \$6 million.
 7. Marcus Wright Services – New headquarters open in the Industrial Park. Business employs over 100 persons.
 8. Randy Skinner – Initial plans were approved by the Weatherford Industrial Trust. The intent is to move his countertop business to the Industrial Park.
 9. Weatherford Industrial Trust – 70 acres north of the current Business and Technology Park has been purchased. The Weatherford Industrial Trust is on track with SWODA to apply for EDA grants.
 10. Sales Tax – Up 16%, an all-time April record. Tax up 14% for the year. The City budgeted to be down 10% for the year.
 11. Lyle Road Project – Contract completed with Myers Engineering to move forward with design. The initial engineering needs to be done in order to apply for ODOT grants.
 12. Construction – Currently 32 single family homes and 8 commercial properties under construction.
 13. Stafford Air and Space Museum Legacy Campaign – Continues to raise funds for the expansion and remodel at the Stafford Air and Space Museum. Working on the final stages of the design process.
 14. Next month’s speaker will be Southwestern Oklahoma State University President Randy Beutler.
- Special Presentation – Oklahoma State Representative Harold Wright (District 57)
 - All of Custer County is in District 57.
 - An overview of the last session was given.
 - In order to raise taxes, an affirmative vote of 75% of both the House and Senate are required.
 - Representative Wright’s term ends in 2020.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:02 AM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Joy McKillip - Secretary