

Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation
Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2018
Weatherford City Hall – 522 W. Rainey Ave – Weatherford, OK 73096

- Call to order – Chairwoman Lisa Thiessen 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 10:10 a.m., November 1, 2018.
- Attendance – Please see attached sign-in sheet for attendance. Special guests were recognized or introduced.
- Approval of Minutes – Minutes from the meeting of October 10, 2018 were unanimously approved.
- Presentation of Treasurer’s Report – The WEDF financial information was provided to members by Mike Hixson. Funds in reserve total \$81,633.15 as of 10/31/18.
- WAEDF Economic development update – Chuck Dougherty reported on the following:
 1. Exit 82 Phase II – Work on the stamped concrete wall has been completed.
 2. Exit 82 Phase III – Connects S Access road to Main Street – development of plans continues.
 3. Exit 84 – Attended 60% plan meeting. This could be up to \$9.9 million project. Should have final plans January 2020 and bids let in 2021.
 4. Wendy’s – Anticipate opening next week.
 5. Weatherford Industrial Trust – The Weatherford Industrial Trust is on track with SWODA to apply for EDA grants. The existing business park is a significant asset to Weatherford.
 6. Sales Tax – Up 16% for September from previous year. Up 3% overall for September not including ½ cent tax.
 7. Lyle Road Project – Many utilities need to be moved. Meyers continues to work on the project.
 8. Stafford Air and Space Museum Legacy Campaign – Continues to raise funds for the expansion and remodel at the Stafford Air and Space Museum. Construction is to begin soon.
- Special Presentation – Kurt Hamburger, Commissioner, District 2, Custer County, OK.
 - Much oil and gas exploration in the North/Northeast part of district.
 - Rain caused problems with roads and farmland. Seeking FEMA grants to repair roads.
 - Lawter Road project delayed due to cuts in funding.
 - Right-of-way being obtained along Lawter Road.
 - Opposition to center turn lane on Lawter Road.
 - Changes at Court House with upgrades in lighting, paint, phone system, and technology.
 - Retention pond to be located at Northwest corner of Lawter Road and Highway 54; water holding area 2 acres with impounding area of 30 acres.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:56 AM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Joy McKillip - Secretary