

Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation  
Meeting Minutes  
October 10, 2018  
Weatherford City Hall – 522 W. Rainey Ave – Weatherford, OK 73096

- Call to order – Chairwoman Lisa Thiessen called the meeting to order at 7:06 a.m.
- Notice – Notice of the meeting was posted at the Weatherford City Hall and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk at 10:00 a.m., October 3, 2018.
- Attendance – Please see attached sign-in sheet for attendance. Special guests were recognized or introduced.
- Approval of Minutes – Minutes from the meeting of September 14, 2018 were unanimously approved.
- Presentation of Treasurer’s Report – The WEDF financial information was provided to members by Mike Hixson. Funds in reserve total \$81,668.15 as of 9/30/18.
- WAEDF Economic development update – Chuck Dougherty reported on the following:
  1. Exit 82 Phase II – Work continues on the stamped concrete wall.
  2. Exit 82 Phase III – Connects S Access road to Main Street – Meeting today regarding the engineering
  3. Exit 84 – Meeting this week with engineers. Plans at 60%. Project is 100-percent funded by ODOT. The overpass will have five lanes with a six foot pedestrian sidewalk. This is a \$7.6 million project and is scheduled to be completed by 2021.
  4. Wendy’s – Project is moving along. Anticipate opening in November.
  5. Red Rock Behavioral Health – Dirt work has been started. Significant rain delays.
  6. Weatherford Industrial Trust – The Weatherford Industrial Trust is on track with SWODA to apply for EDA grants. The property has been annexed into the city limits. Engineering cost to develop is estimated at \$4 million.
  7. Sales Tax – Up 28.73% for August from previous year. Not including ½ cent tax August was up 14.4%. Overall up 16% for the year.
  8. Lyle Road Project – Surveys being done, drives being designed, utility relocates being mapped.
  9. Construction – Currently 29 single family homes, 4 multi-family, and 9 commercial properties under construction.
  10. Stafford Air and Space Museum Legacy Campaign – Continues to raise funds for the expansion and remodel at the Stafford Air and Space Museum. Over \$2 million raised with \$4.2 million in pledges. Goal \$5 million.
  11. Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation received \$500 donation from AT&T.
- Special Presentation – Mike Brown, Mayor, City of Weatherford.
  - Weatherford is a great place to live.
  - SWOSU is the largest employer in Weatherford.
  - Population is 12,500 plus 5,000 students at SWOSU.
  - New signage from MODA grant, nine new police cars, and a dog park in the works.
  - Budgeting flat this year, this is very conservative.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:02 AM.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Joy McKillip - Secretary