

Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation
Meeting Minutes
December 12, 2018
Weatherford City Hall – 522 W. Rainey Ave – Weatherford, OK 73096

- Call to order – Chairwoman Lisa Thiessen called the meeting to order at 7:04 a.m.
- Notice – Notice of the meeting was posted at the Weatherford City Hall and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk at 3:45 p.m., December 4, 2018.
- Attendance – Please see attached sign-in sheet for attendance. Special guests were recognized or introduced.
- Approval of Minutes – Minutes from the meeting of November 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 \$78,715.55 as of 11/30/18.
- WAEDF Economic development update – Chuck Dougherty reported on the following:
 1. Exit 82 Phase III – Connects S Access road to Main Street – development of plans continues and is still on track with ODOT.
 2. Exit 84 – Bridge to be replaced with 5 lanes and a 6 foot pedestrian sidewalk. Project is completely ODOT funded. Cost for project is approximately \$9.9 million.
 3. Building Update: Wendy’s is finished and open; Domino Pizza to open soon; Sonic undergoing remodel; Kelly Jewelers reopening soon; Red Rock Behavioral Health Services construction is underway.
 4. Weatherford Industrial Trust – The Weatherford Industrial Trust is on track with SWODA to apply for EDA grants.
 5. Sales Tax – Up 9.64% for October. Up 15.6% over previous year. 2019 City budget is flat based on 2018 Sales Tax results.
 6. Lyle Road Project – Engineers working on surveying, storm water drainage, utilities, driveways, and right-of-way acquisition.
 7. Nominations and Elections for the Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation for 2019. All nominees were unanimously elected.
 - Mike Hixon – Treasurer
 - Joy McKillip – Secretary
 - Derek Roper – Chairman-Elect
 - Doug Misak – Board of Directors
 - David Duncan – Board of Directors
- Special Presentation – Matt Jett, President, Jett Distributing, Clinton, OK.
 - Wholesale distributor of beer and fermented malt liquors and is part of the Miller-Coors network.
 - Currently delivers to eight counties.
 - Modernization of beer laws has changed business.
 - Low-point beer was covered by the Oklahoma Tax Commission while strong beer is covered by the ABLE Commission.
 - Changes in laws resulted in the gain of 14 new suppliers.
 - Currently works with 24 breweries.
 - Changes also allowed for addition of more jobs.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:00AM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Joy McKillip - Secretary