

Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation

Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2019

Weatherford City Hall – 522 W. Rainey – Weatherford, OK 73096

- Call to order – Chairman Barbara Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00am
- Attendance – Please see the attached sign-in sheet for attendance, Special guests Were recognized and introduced
- Approval of Minutes – Minutes of the meeting of May 15, 2019 were unanimously approved.
- Presentation of Treasurers Report – The WAEDF financial information was provided. Funds in reserve total \$82,642.08 as of May 31, 2019.
- Update on Economic Development – Yolanda Creswell reported the following:
  - Yolanda gave report of her first week of activities and getting acclimated.
  - A wind farm company out of Denver, CO has decided to house their offices out of Weatherford for approx.. 3 years.
  - Yolanda met with Haley from the chamber to establish a good working contact.
  - Oklahoma Site Ready Certification Program was completed and turned in.
  - MODA grant due July 1<sup>st</sup>. Asking for Heritage Park family improvements.
  - Discussed being a member of the OK Rt 66 Association to help promote Weatherford better.
  - Became a member to Grant Finder to be alerted and have the ability to search for new grant opportunities
  - New businesses coming to Weatherford: Taco Bell 1237 E Main and Dub Dispensary located in the current SWOL building.
- Special Presentation – Representative Harold Wright
  - Representative Wright was voted in again as Speaker ProTempore, He is the first Republican voted in twice.
  - An Update on State Government was given. Topics included state budget, Capital improvement appropriation approved for Stafford Air & Space Museum - \$250,000, Lt Governor taking on Rt 66 initiative, concurrent enrollment fully funded, Stabilization Fund as well as other department funding.
  - Questions and Discussion followed Representative Wright's presentation. Topics included Health Care, bi-partisan issues, Governor's attitude toward staying on task and getting the bigger picture moving and ODOT future plans.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:09 am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Deb Hanson, Secretary