

Weatherford Area Economic Development Foundation  
Meeting Minutes  
October 11, 2017  
Prairie West Golf Course – 3500 N Lyle Road – Weatherford, OK 73096

- Call to order – Chairman Cody Bell 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 1:45 p.m., October 3, 2017
- Attendance – Please see attached sign-in sheet for attendance. Special guests were recognized or introduced.
- Approval of Minutes – Minutes from the meeting of September 13, 2017 were unanimously approved.
- Presentation of Treasurer’s Report – The WEDF financial information was provided to members by Wes Magill, Treasurer. Funds in reserve total \$107,930.52 as of 09/30/17.
- WAEDF Economic development update – Chuck Dougherty reported on the following:
  1. Exit 82 Phase II – Work continues. The new portion going east has been opened up to traffic.
  2. Exit 82 Phase III – ODOT says this project is still being planned.
  3. Exit 84 – The four-lane bridge is on the 8-year plan with ODOT.
  4. New businesses –Gaylon Vogt is building a 7-unit retail space. The Zerby project is underway. Work is continuing on the Papa John’s. Bob Bartmann is finalizing plans for West Main Street. Shoe Sensation opening in the Shopping Center. Bank of Ryan being built at the Point.
  5. Sales tax – Up 13 percent in August over last year. Sales tax is up 9% for the year.
  6. WAEDF November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at Lucille’s Roadhouse at 11:30 a.m.
  7. Bruce Magill – Representing the Golf Course Board, says there are 177 paying members. The golf course is owned by the City of Weatherford and operated by the Golf Course Board, and funded by golfers. Prairie West Golf Course is a municipal course and is open to the public.
- Special Presentation – Weatherford Fire Chief Mike Karlin and Weatherford Police Chief Louis Flowers
  - The Weatherford Fire Department has 31 positions (15 fulltime and 15 volunteer paid on call). The department works on a five man shift.
  - The department handles medical calls, technical rescues, plan review, structure fires, natural disasters, motor vehicle accidents and mutual aid to other departments.
  - The department had 978 calls in 2016 and 926 calls to date in October 2017.
  - The Weatherford Police Department shows a decrease in crime over the last 10 years and a decrease in accidents over the last 3 years due to police presence in the community.
  - The Police Department averages 4 to 6 inmates per day at a cost of approximately \$10 each and can accommodate 30 inmates. This is a fully accredited facility.
  - The Police Department dispatches for police, ambulance, and fire.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:04 AM.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Joy McKillip - Secretary