

**MINUTES
PRYOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12TH, 2022
12:00 P.M.**

THE PRYOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 12 NORTH ROWE STREET, PRYOR, OKLAHOMA AT THE ABOVE DATE AND TIME.

TRUSTEES: **ADAM ANDERSON, ARIANNA DERR, DARRELL MOORE, FRED SORDAHL, DON BERGER, SCOTT MILLER, LARRY WILLIAMS
EX-OFFICIO TRUSTEES: JARED CRISP - MUNICIPAL UTILITY BOARD GENERAL MANAGER, LARRY LEES - MAYOR

1. CALL TO ORDER, PRAYER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - MR. ANDERSON.

The meeting was called to order by Adam Anderson at 12:00 p.m. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Scott Miller. Members present: Anderson, Derr, Moore, Sordahl, Williams, Miller. Members absent: Berger.

Others in attendance: Mayor Lees, Jared Crisp, Kim Ritchie, Buddy Glenn, Jennie LaFave, Meredith Olson, Houston Brittain and Terry Aylward.

2. APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 14, 2022 REGULAR MEETING.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Williams to approve minutes from the November 14, 2022 regular meeting. Voting yes: Sordahl, Williams, Derr, Moore, Miller, Anderson. Voting no: none.

3. APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 22, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING.

Motion was made by Williams, second by Miller to approve minutes from the November 22, 2022 special meeting. Voting yes: Williams, Derr, Moore, Miller, Anderson, Sordahl. Voting no: none.

4. PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.

There were no petitions.

5. REPORT FROM PRYOR AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESIDENT, BARBARA HAWKINS.

Houston Brittain spoke in Hawkins' absence. He stated that Hawkins is stepping down from the Chamber effective January 1, 2023, and he will be taking over as of January 3, 2023. Currently, the board, bylaws and programming are being revamped.

On January 19, 2023 they will host a Pryor Area Chamber of Commerce Gala to honor Barbara Hawkins for her years of service. They plan for the gala to become an annual event.

Brittain reported that the State of the City will take place on February 1, the State of the Park will be in March, and the State of the Schools will be in October. He also reported that Evett Barham will be joining his staff on January 3.

6. REPORT FROM PRYOR MAIN STREET DIRECTOR, JENNIE LAFAVE.

LaFave reported that a number of events have taken place recently. The Lights On Downtown was followed by Shop Small Saturday. This was a great success. She stated that during events like this, the bookstore shows 125% increase, Robin's Nest shows 165% increase, and Daydreamers shows 278% increase in sales.

LaFave reported that the TAP Grant resolution was approved at Council and the application is due on November 15th. The Castle Theatre is in the works of being registered with the State Historic Preservation Office. They are also looking to renovate the old Western Auto building and use the top floor for housing. The Pryor Main Street annual retreat and planning meeting is scheduled for January.

7. REPORT FROM STREET DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT, BUDDY GLENN, AND DISCUSSION OF TRAFFIC COUNT PROCESSES WITHIN CITY OF PRYOR CREEK.

Street Superintendent Buddy Glenn gave a report regarding traffic count equipment. He stated that having a traffic counter would benefit all of the city departments - Street Department, MUB and others. He stated that AADT (Average Annual Daily Traffic) would be helpful for business owners. Knowing peak times of traffic is necessary.

Mayor stated that there are plans to purchase the traffic count equipment. Miller stated that traffic counts are huge in bringing in new businesses. Anderson asked how intensive this would be for the Street Department to monitor. Glenn stated that the equipment makes it very easy to check the counts. The cost is less than \$500 for the complete set.

Glenn stated that ODOT has traffic counts for East and West of the city, but not in town.

8. DISCUSSION OF MOA WITH MAIN STREET.

Sordahl suggested having a combined meeting with EDTA and the Main Street Board at some point so that both entities can work together to decide what direction to go. Williams questioned the wording in Sections 6 and 7 regarding compensation. Anderson stated that it does not refer to two different sections of compensation. Renewals would be amended by agreement between the parties.

9. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS.

Sordahl asked where we are with the Cherokee Nation and softball. It was stated that this is going through the processes.

Glenn mentioned that there is some property East of Gaither Road that was offered many years ago by the owner to be donated for a softball facility.

10. ADJOURN.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Derr to adjourn at 12:34 pm. Voting yes: Derr, Moore, Miller, Anderson, Sordahl, Williams. Voting no: none.