

OKLAHOMA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
GENERAL BOARD MINUTES  
July 20, 2021

The Oklahoma Economic Development Authority General Board met Tuesday, July 20, 2021 in the OEDA conference room, 330 East Douglas, Beaver, Oklahoma

1. Meeting called to order by Board Chairman Vernie Matt @ 1:15pm.
2. Flag salute - Vernie Matt
3. Invocation - Jonathon Cross
4. Roll Call

**Present**

Bron Gardner, CJ Rose , David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas, Mike Latta, Ruby Gore, Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt

**Absent**

Bill Fanning, Kim Peterson

5. Introduction of guests: Anita Martinez (SWODA) Aging services representative , Devon Westbrook (NORTPO) Transportation Planner, Payton Herron (NORTPO) Transportation Mapper
6. Nielsen made a motion to approve the minutes of the General Board meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 with a second from Hernandez. The motion carried with the following vote:  

**AYE:** Bron Gardner, CJ Rose, David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas, Mike Latta, Ruby Gore, Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt  
**NAY:** None  
**ABST:** None
7. Review and possible action to accept Staff Reports (Included in Board Packet)
8. Review and approve financial report (included in Board Packet):  
Hernandez made a motion to approve the financial report, with a second from Nielsen. The motion carried with the following vote:  

**AYE:** Bron Gardner, CJ Rose, David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas, Mike Latta, Ruby Gore, Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt  
**NAY:** None  
**ABST:** None
9. Strain made a motion to approve the contract between NODA and OEDA for employment services for the following: Jonathon Cross, Cecil Michael, Michelle Emmerson, and Jennifer Firdgard; with a second from Gardner. The motion carried with the following vote

AYE: Bron Gardner, CJ Rose, David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas, Mike Latta, Ruby Gore, Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt

NAY: None

ASST: None

10. a -b. Smiley made a motion to increase the REAP request amount cap to \$65,000 due to the increase funds coming from the State of Oklahoma in the REAP grant program and change the scoresheet accordingly. Second from Latta.

The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Bron Gardner, CJ Rose, David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas, Mike Latta, Ruby Gore , Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt

NAY: None

ASST: None

- c. Rose made a motion to approve the FY22 REAP Plan to include the updated detail line item budget to match the funds provided from the State of Oklahoma and the wording change on #9 of ineligible projects list, with a second from Hernandez. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Bron Gardner, CJ Rose, David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas, Mike Latta, Ruby Gore, Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt

NAY: None

ABST: None

- d. Hernandez made a motion to approve the FY22 REAP Policies and Procedures to include the wording change on #9 of ineligible projects list and increase the cap amount on #6 of application guidelines, with a second from Gore. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Bron Gardner, CJ Rose, David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas, Mike Latta, Ruby Gore, Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt

NAY: None

ABST: None

- e. Strain made a motion to approve the FY22 REAP Application Resolution with a second from Nielsen. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Bron Gardner, CJ Rose, David Trimble, Dillon Berry, Elvia Hernandez, Gene Baird, Gary Nielsen, Jack Strain, John Smiley, Jerome Thomas , Mike Latta, Ruby Gore , Shad Brackin, Vernie Matt

NAY: None

ABST: None

11. Northern Oklahoma Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NORTPO) update. Information was presented to the board about the program and what they are able to do for the OEDA area. Asking to have members from OEDA region join the policy and tech boards for NORTPO.

12. Discussion was conducted on OEDA buildings. The Town of Beaver and the OEDA Board have reached an agreement for the Town to purchase the Beaver

location. No timeframe has been established for the Town to move into the building. An attorney is drawing up the paperwork to transfer the Beaver location to the Town of Beaver, once completed a timeframe will be set. A Real Estate Broker gave their opinion on the Woodward location, may have an interested party. The Hooker location now has four tenants and another potential tenant.

13. Executive Director's Report- Jonathon Cross: One of the A/C units in the Hooker location is in need of repairs. The Hooker location now has a mower and the sprinkler system has been repaired and is functioning properly; signage has been up since September of 2020.
14. New Business (in accordance with section 311 (9) O.S. Title 25.) Lacey deWindt and Jerlyn Keene will be applying to become notaries. Currently, OEDA does not have a notary of the public.
15. Public Participation: Anita Martinez (SWODA) shared an update on the AAA, CENA programs. There has been a reduction in the meal services. CENA workshops will be conducted on July 20<sup>th</sup> and August 11<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30pm through Zoom as well in-person at the following locations on July 29<sup>th</sup>: Hardesty Senior Citizens @ 10:30am and High Plains Tech Center @ 3:00pm. Any questions OEDA members may have can directed to Anita 580-318-4881 or to Debora Glasgow 580-562-5022
16. Adjournment: Rose made a motion to adjourn with a second from Smiley @ 2:45pm. All voted AYE.

Signature Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

