

OKLAHOMA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 12, 2022

The Oklahoma Economic Development Authority General Board met Wednesday, October 12, 2022 in the OEDA conference room, 330 Douglas, Beaver Oklahoma.

1. Meeting called to order by Board Chairman Jack Strain at 1:06pm.

2. Flag salute –CJ Rose

3. Invocation – Jonathon Cross

4. Roll Call

Present

CJ Rose, Ruby Gore, Dillion Barry, Sam Hamilton, Gary Nielsen, Gene Baird, Jack Strain, Elvia Hernandez, Shannon Mitchell

Absent

David Hamil, David Trimble, Kim Peterson, Bill Fanning, Clint White, Susan Bradford, Mike Latta

5. **Guests**

6. Review and possible approval of minutes from the General Board meeting July 12, 2022. Nielsen made a motion to approve the General Board meeting minutes from July 12, 2022 with a second from Rose. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: CJ Rose, Ruby Gore, Sam Hamilton, Gary Nielsen, Gene Baird, Jack Strain, Elvia Hernandez, Shannon Mitchell

NAY: None

ABST: Dillion Barry

7. Review and possible action to accept the following staff reports: (included in Board Packet)

8. Review and approve financial report (included in Board Packet): Rose made a motion to approve the financial report, with a second from Hernandez. The Motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: CJ Rose, Ruby Gore, Dillion Barry, Sam Hamilton, Gary Nielsen, Gene Baird, Jack Strain, Elvia Hernandez, Shannon Mitchell

NAY: None

ABST: None

9. Discussion and possible action on the REAP program (includes, but not limited to extension requests changes of scope, needs related to project activities.)
 - a. Cross led discussion stating that REAP Applications are due October 31st, 2022 at 4:30pm
 - b. REAP Committee meeting on November 8th, 2022 at 11:00am

No Motion needed

10. Executive directors report- Jonathon Cross

Programs that OEDA offers include the following: Title V helps individuals over the age of 55 that meet a certain income level find employment that allows them to work and still receive other benefits. Economic Development maintains the CEDS and help members with grant applications as well as administering grants. Rural Fire works with fire departments and forestry to find grants and other funding to update equipment, trucks, and so on. Also, works with members on inspection reports. Community Development includes application assistance and administration of REAP (State Grants) and CDBG (Federal Grants). Staff helps members with their CIPs, Hazard Mitigation plans, Comprehensive plans, and mapping needs.

Money from the sale of the Beaver building wasn't put in a CD due to OEDA's financial needs. Contract labor needed to be paid.

The Woodward building is being leased with the possibility of sale by the end of the year.

Hooker building is currently housing most of the staff as well as one renter.

Jennifer, Michelle and Lacey are going to the NADO conference in Pittsburgh.

NODA works very closely with EDA to getting funding for us.

Jack Strain will be retiring from the board after the first of the year.

11. New Business (in accordance with section 311 (9) O.S. Title 25.)

12. Public Participation

13. Adjournment: Nielsen made a motion to adjourn with a second from Hernandez @ 1:44pm. All voted AYE

Signature Approval: _____

