

OKLAHOMA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
May 13, 2025

The Oklahoma Economic Development Authority Executive Board met Tuesday, May 13, 2025, in the Beaver City Hall Conference Room, 318 Douglas, Beaver Oklahoma.

1. Meeting called to order by Board Vice Chairman CJ Rose at 1:01pm.
2. Flag salute – Gary Nielsen
3. Invocation – CJ Rose
4. Roll Call  
**Present**  
CJ Rose, Gary Nielsen, Elvia Hernandez, Dolan Sledge, Ruby Gore, Clint White, Sam Hamilton,

**Absent**  
Bron Gardner, David Trimble, John Smiley

5. **Guests**  
None
6. Review and possible approval of minutes from the Executive Board meeting February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Nielsen made a motion to approve the Executive Board meeting minutes from February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, with a second from Hernandez. The motion carried with the following vote:

**AYE:** CJ Rose, Gary Nielsen, Elvia Hernandez, Dolan Sledge, Ruby Gore, Clint White, Sam Hamilton  
**NAY:** None  
**ABST:** None

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):  
Sledge made a motion to approve the financial report, with a second from Hernandez. The Motion carried with the following vote:

**AYE:** CJ Rose, Gary Nielsen, Elvia Hernandez, Dolan Sledge, Ruby Gore, Clint White, Sam Hamilton  
**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.)  
No Motion / Action.

10. Discussion and possible action on FY26 OEDA budget.

Michelle Emmerson presented two options for FY26 budget.

Budget 1 would include the dues increase, and an OEDA employee raise.

Budget 2 would include no dues increase, and no OEDA employee raise.

With much discussion, Hernandez made a motion to approve budget 1 that includes the dues increase, and the OEDA employee raise, with a second from White. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: CJ Rose, Gary Nielsen, Elvia Hernandez, Dolan Sledge,  
Ruby Gore, Clint White, Sam Hamilton

NAY: None

ABST: None

11. Discussion and possible action regarding the structure of FY26 Membership dues.

A new dues structure that included all the fire departments and the rural water districts to start paying membership dues, as well as a new formula for dues paying members was presented. A letter with the invoice will explain the new formula. Hernandez made a motion to approve of the new membership dues' structure that included all the fire departments and rural water districts to start paying membership dues, as well as a new formula for dues paying members. A letter explaining the new formula will be included. With a second from Neilsen, the motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: CJ Rose, Gary Nielsen, Elvia Hernandez, Dolan Sledge,  
Ruby Gore, Clint White, Sam Hamilton

NAY: None

ABST: None

12. Discussion and possible action on repayment plan for OEDA's payable to NODA. If funds are there, OEDA will pay NODA \$500 to \$1,000 a month. Hernandez made a motion to approve paying NODA, if funds are available, in the amount of \$500 to \$1,000 a month, with a second from Hamilton. The motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: CJ Rose, Gary Nielsen, Elvia Hernandez, Dolan Sledge,  
Ruby Gore, Clint White, Sam Hamilton

NAY: None

ABST: None

13. Executive directors report- Jonathon Cross

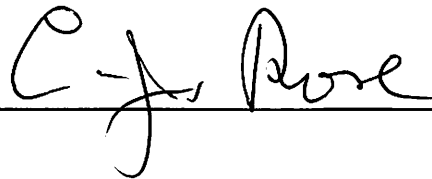
- A. The Governor wants to make tax cuts.
- B. The President's budget cuts out EDA, CDBG, and Title V funding.
- C. Lacey received a certificate from Emerging Leaders.

14. New Business (in accordance with section 311 (9) O.S. Title 25.)  
Keys – Chip Seal spent \$66,000 use REAP funds to pay for asphalt  
board approved that was okay

15. Public Participation: NONE

16. Adjournment: Nielsen made a motion to adjourn, with a second from White @  
2:14pm. All voted AYE.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. J. Rose", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.