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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF DURANT TOURISM
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF March 14, 2018 AT 4:00 PM,
Roscoe J. Hatfield Council Chambers, 300 West Evergreen, Durant, Oklahoma**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Thorpe called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Trustee Charles Calhoun
Trustee Bert Davison
Trustee Janet Reed

Vice Chairman Darrell Mendez
Chairman Jim Thorpe

Absent:

Trustee Destry Hawthorne Trustee Mina Patel

Chairman Thorpe declared a quorum.

1. Consent Items

To help streamline meetings and allow the focus to be on other items requiring strategic thought, the "Consent Items" portion of the agenda groups the routine, procedural, and self-explanatory non-controversial items together. These items are voted on in a single motion (one vote). However, any Council member requesting further information on a specific item thus removes it from the "Consent Items" section for individual attention and separate vote.

a. Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2018

Approved

Motion was made by Janet Reed and seconded by Darrell Mendez to approve consent item as presented. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Calhoun, Davison, Mendez, Reed, Thorpe

Abstain: Hawthorne

Absent: Patel

2. Consideration Items Removed from Consent

3. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

There were no citizen comments.

4. Administration

a. Consider Approval of Grant Funding

Trustee Reed distributed a proposed cover letter and grant application to board members for consideration. Vice Chairman Mendez and Trustee Calhoun made suggestions on wording. It was suggested that a sample packet be provided to two or three individuals for their feedback.

Trustee Reed will secure website domain.

No action taken.

b. Consider Approval of Logo

Trustee Reed presented logos from other cities in Oklahoma. Trustee Reed reached out to the Choctaw Nation Marketing team who has said they are willing to assist. Ally Howerton was in attendance for Erica Kosemund of Choctaw Nation. Ms. Howerton confirmed the Choctaw Nation Market Team will be meeting with Trustee Reed in the next couple weeks.

Trustee Hawthorne entered the meeting at 4:19 p.m.

c. Consider Approval of Bill Boards

Chairman Thorpe provided comments to the board. Trustee Reed has been in touch with Scott Crain and will have more information to present to the board at the next meeting.

No action taken.

5. Information Items

a. Lodging Tax Historical Report - January 2018/February 2018

b. Durant Area Chamber of Commerce Activity Report - February/March 2018

Trustee Reed stated she will be participating in the Dallas Travel Show on March 17 and 18, 2018.

Trustee Davison exited the meeting.

6. New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Charles Calhoun and seconded by Destry Hawthorne to adjourn meeting. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Calhoun, Hawthorne, Mendez, Reed, Thorpe

Absent: Davison, Patel