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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF DURANT TOURISM
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF July 11, 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. Trustee Hawthorne provided the invocation. Chairman Thorpe led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Trustee Charles Calhoun
Trustee Bert Davison
Trustee Destry Hawthorne

Trustee Janet Reed
Chairman Jim Thorpe

Absent:

Trustee Darrell Mendez
Trustee Mina Patel

* denotes partial attendance

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 June 13, 2018

Tabled

Motion was made by Charles Calhoun and seconded by Destry Hawthorne to approve consent item as presented. Motion Passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Calhoun, Hawthorne, Reed, Thorpe

Abstain: Davison
Absent: Mendez, Patel

2. Consideration Items Removed from Consent

3. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

There were no citizen comments.

4. Administration

- a. Consider Revision of Criteria for Ongoing Agenda Item of Citizen Comments and Take Possible Action

No Action Taken

- b. Discuss Lease on Highway Billboard Signs and Take Possible Action

No Action Taken

Trustee Reed presented a photograph of the billboard that is now under contract with R & R Signs. The billboard is located near the US 70E Exit, and is a left hand read travelling North. This is a six month lease. It was noted the invoice referred to a digital billboard lease. Trustee Reed will ask for the invoice to be corrected before being presented for payment. Discussion followed regarding additional billboards under consideration.

5. Information Items

- a. Durant Area Chamber of Commerce Activity Report - June/July 2018

- b. Lodging Tax Historical Report

6. New Business

Trustee Reed - She has not received any completed grant applications to date.
Chairman Thorpe - He would like to hire a director within the next 4 - 6 months.
Chairman Thorpe - He thanked Trustee Reed and Secretary Price for their time and effort.

Adjournment

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

Ayes: Calhoun, Davison, Hawthorne, Reed, Thorpe

Absent: Mendez, Patel

