MINUTES
PRYOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2025
6:00 P.M.

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 12 NORTH ROWE STREET, PRYOR, OKLAHOMA AT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DATE AND TIME.

TRUSTEES: ADAM ANDERSON, ARIANNA DERR, DARRELL MOORE, FRED SORDAHL, DON BERGER AND SCOTT MILLER.

EX-OFFICIO TRUSTEES: JARED CRISP – MUNICIPAL UTILITY BOARD GENERAL MANAGER AND ZAC DOYLE – MAYOR.

OTHERS: JAE STANDINGWATER - SECRETARY

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**
   Anderson called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance led by Scott Miller. Members present: Don Berger, Scott Miller, Adam Anderson and Fred Sordahl. Members absent: Darrell Moore and Arianna Derr.

   Others present: Houston Brittain, Chris Felleman, Terry Aylward and Bridgette Nichols.

2. **PETITIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**
   There were no petitions from the audience.

3. **DISCUSS, POSSIBLY APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 13TH, 2025 MEETING.**
   Motion was made by Miller, second by Sordahl to approve the minutes of the January 13th, 2025 meeting. Voting yes: Berger, Miller, Anderson and Sordahl. Voting no: none.

4. **REPORT FROM PRYOR AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - HOUSTON BRITTAIN.**
   Brittain reported that the WeStreet Palooza impact report shows that the event brought approximately $312,000.00 in sales for downtown businesses throughout the Christmas season. He also reported that they have been working on the Inspire Mayes County website and a candidate forum for the City Council race.

   Brittain reported on their recent and upcoming events, stating that Leslie Osborn spoke at their most recent luncheon and they plan to host the state Attorney General at an upcoming luncheon. He also stated that they have the Boat & Tackle Show and Okie Homestead Expo coming to town soon, and the Christmas Parade will be December 6th, 2025.

5. **REPORT FROM PRYOR MAIN STREET - BRIDGETTE NICHOLS.**
   Nichols reported that Main Street is working to re-align with the National Main Street goals and take a more proactive approach moving forward. She also stated that the Timestream app will be launching in April.

6. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CONTINUING THE MOU WITH PRYOR MAIN STREET THROUGH JUNE 30TH, 2025. THE 2025-2026 RENEWAL IS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE JUNE MEETING.**

   Motion was made by Sordahl, second by Miller to approve continuing the MOU with Pryor Main Street through June 30th, 2025. The 2025-2026 renewal is to be presented at the June meeting. Voting yes: Miller, Anderson, Sordahl and Berger. Voting no: none.

   Sordahl requested that they discuss the MOU with Pryor Main Street in the May 12th, 2025 EDTA Meeting.

7. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZING THE BUSINESS ADVOCACY GROUP TO OFFER $1,500.00 VOUCHERS TO BUSINESSES INVESTING IN DOWNTOWN. THE BUSINESS MUST BE LOCATED ON GRAHAM AVE BETWEEN CITY LIMITS TO THE WEST AND FROM ELLIOTT STREET TO THE EAST. THE VOUCHERS WILL BE UTILIZED TO OFFSET THE COST OF BUILDING INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS REQUIRED BY THE CITY OF PRYOR CREEK.**

   Motion was made by Sordahl, second by Berger to approve authorizing the Business Advocacy Group to offer $1,500.00 vouchers to businesses investing in downtown. The business must be located on Graham Ave between city limits to the west and from Elliott Street to the east. The vouchers will be utilized to offset the cost of building inspections and permits required by the City of Pryor Creek. Motion was amended by Sordahl, second by Berger to include all businesses within City limits. Voting yes: Anderson, Sordahl, Berger and Miller. Voting no: none.

8. **OPENING OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED REGARDING THE PYO BUILDING.**

   No action taken. Anderson opened a proposal in the amount of $45,000.00 from Galaxy Castle to purchase the PYO Building and open a family entertainment center in stages while renovating the interior and maintaining the current facade.

9. **DISCUSS, POSSIBLY RECOMMEND COUNCIL ACTION REGARDING PROPOSALS RECEIVED REGARDING THE PYO BUILDING.**

   Motion was made by Berger, second by Miller to recommend Council action to accept a proposal from Galaxy Castle in the amount of $45,000.00 for the purchase of the PYO Building. Voting yes: Berger, Miller, Anderson and Sordahl. Voting no: none.

10. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROVIDING FUNDING FOR FREEDOMFEST 2025. THE TOTAL COST WILL BE $25,000.00, WHICH IS THE SAME RATE AS PREVIOUS YEARS, WITH $12,500.00 DUE AT CONTRACT SIGNING AND THE REMAINDER AFTER THE EVENT. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OR ALL OF THE COSTS OF THIS WILL BE OFFSET BY DONATIONS.**

    Motion was made by Miller, second by Sordahl to approve providing funding for FreedomFest 2025. The total cost will be $25,000.00, which is the same rate as previous years, with $12,500.00 due at contract signing and the remainder after the event. It is anticipated that a substantial portion or all of the costs of this will be offset by donations. Voting yes: Miller, Anderson, Sordahl and Berger. Voting no: none.

11. UNFORESEEABLE BUSINESS.
There was no unforeseeable business.

12. ADJOURN.
Meeting was adjourned at 12:49 p.m. without a motion or vote.