

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DURANT TOURISM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON JAN 28, 2025 AT 3:00 PM IN THE ROSCOE J. HATFIELD COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 300 WEST EVERGREEN ST, DURANT, OKLAHOMA

Full Board Meeting Can Be Viewed At:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4GUphDxcrbc>

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hunt called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION/FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Thorpe led the invocation and the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Kuykendall, Trustee Byrd, Trustee Sherrer, Trustee Thorpe, Chairman Hunt

Absent: Trustee Patel, Vice Chairman Anthony

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1) Approval of Minutes

November 26, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Kuykendall to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes and seconded by Trustee Thorpe

Aye: Trustee Kuykendall, Trustee Sherrer, Trustee Thorpe, Chairman Hunt

Abstain: Trustee Byrd

2) Review of Financial Reports

Trustee Kuykendall presented the financial report.

3) Discuss and Consider Approval of sponsorship for Lake Texoma Association Boat Show

Brandi Burkhalter presented. A motion was made by Trustee Byrd to approve a \$3,500 sponsorship and was seconded by Trustee Kuykendall

Aye: Trustee Kuykendall, Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Chairman Hunt

No: Trustee Sherrer

4) Discuss and Consider Approval of Sponsorship for Leadership Oklahoma Durant Weekend Durant Host Committee of Leadership Oklahoma

Leadership Oklahoma / Greg Philips presented. A motion was made by Trustee Kuykendall to approve a \$6,000 sponsorship with an unknown second

Aye: Trustee Kuykendall, Trustee Byrd, Trustee Sherrer, Trustee Thorpe, Chairman Hunt

5) Discussion & Consider Approval for Management Contract Proposals

- a. West Durant Merchants Association
- b. Durant Area Chamber of Commerce
- c. Hiring a Director of Tourism

A motion to table was made by Trustee Thorpe and seconded by Trustee Sheerer.

Aye: Trustee Sherrer, Trustee Thorpe, Chairman Hunt

No: Chairman Hunt

Abstain: Trustee Kuykendall, Trustee Byrd,

6) Informational Items

- a. Discover Durant Activity Report
- b. Report from Choctaw Nation Tourism Department

7) Old Business

- a. 2023-2024 Audit

8) New Business

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Byrd and seconded by Trustee Thorpe

Aye: Trustee Kuykendall, Trustee Byrd, Trustee Sherrer, Trustee Thorpe, Chairman Hunt