

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DURANT TOURISM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AT 3:00 PM IN THE ROSCOE J. HATFIELD COUNCIL
CHAMBERS, 300 WEST EVERGREEN ST, DURANT, OKLAHOMA**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hunt called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION/FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Sherrer led the invocation and the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

Absent: Trustee Patel, Trustee Kuykendall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Approval of Minutes

a. August 26, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Trustee Byrd made a motion to approve the August 26, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and seconded by Vice Chairman Anthony.

Aye: Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

2. Review of Financial Reports

Grace Rudolf presented the financial reports.

3. Discuss, consider, and/or approve Stokley Billboard Contract

Grace Rudolf presented the 2025 Stokely Billboard Contract.

Chairman Hunt made a motion to approve the annual Stokley Billboard contract, and Trustee Thorpe seconded it.

Aye: Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

4. Discuss, consider, and/or approve Grant Applications

a. Southeastern Rodeo

Christi Braudrick presented.

Chairman Hunt made a motion to approve the Southeastern Rodeo application, and Trustee Thorpe seconded it.

Aye: Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

b. Gulf Coast Super Regional Tournament

Trustee Thorpe made a motion to approve the Gulf Coast Super Regional Tournament application, and Trustee Sherrer seconded it.

Aye: Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

c. Choctaw 7's Rugby Tournament

Trustee Thorpe made a motion to approve the Choctaw 7's Rugby Tournament application, and Trustee Sherrer seconded it.

Aye: Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

d. Light Up Durant

Ryan Brewer presented.

Vice Chairman Anthony made a motion to approve the Light Up Durant application, and Trustee Sherrer seconded it.

Aye: Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

Abstain: Trustee Byrd

e. Southeastern Tailgate Alley

Stephanie Davison presented.

Chairman Hunt made a motion to approve the Southeastern Tailgate Alley application, and Vice Chairman Anthony seconded it.

Aye: Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt

Abstain: Trustee Byrd

5. Informational Items

a. Report from Choctaw Nation Tourism Department

6. Old Business

Kara Byrd presented a Fall Concert Series Marketing Report.

7. New Business

Trustee Hunt suggested a planning session for strategic planning.

Kara Byrd presented an update on Durant Forward and long-term projects.

Ryan Brewer presented for the OK Parks and Rec conference in November 2026 - Durant is in the running to host the conference.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Thorpe made a motion to adjourn, and Vice Chairman Anthony seconded.

Aye: Trustee Byrd, Trustee Thorpe, Trustee Sherrer, Vice Chairman Anthony, Chairman Hunt