

West Tawakoni Economic Development Corporation

Special Meeting

July 13, 2023

1. **Call to Order**

President Pam Reed called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. **Invocation**

Elizabeth Osborne led the invocation.

3. **Pledge**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

4. **Roll Call**

Aliceson Zurovec, James Chemp, Pam Reed, Elizabeth Osborne, and Kathey O'Neal, were in attendance. Secretary Sylvia Leeds arrived at approximately 7:40 p.m. No citizens were in attendance.

5. **Announcements**

President Pam Reed made the following announcements:

Movies in the Park will be held July 15 at 8:30 at the Park.

Next meet and greet will be held in August

Citizen input-related to Agenda

No citizens offered input.

7. **Consent Agenda** – The following items were unanimously approved following discussion of bills, financial report, and bank statement. Aliceson Zurovec made the motion, seconded by Elizabeth Osborne that the following changes be made in the June 20 Minutes, as noted below.

a. Approval of minutes from June 20

1. Under Old Business, b, the name Kathy Osborne be changed to Kathey O'Neal

2. Under New Business, a, the name Kathy Osborne be changed to Kathey O'Neal

3. Under New Business, b, the name Kathy Osborne be changed to Kathey O'Neal

b. Approve bills paid and those to be paid

c. Financial report (profit and loss)

d. Bank statement

8. **Old Business**

- a. Discuss "Movies in the Park." The first movie of the summer will be "The Impossible" and will be shown at 8:30 July 15.
- b. Discuss and finalize the date of meet and greet. The next Meet and Greet will be August 24, 2023, 5-7 p.m. at Deer Run Golf Club.
- c. Discuss repairs that have been made to 1300 E. Quinan Pkwy.
- d. Discuss a possible Facebook page for the EDC. The Facebook page is titled "West Tawakoni EDC."

9. **New Business**

- a. Discuss asking for donations for police cameras to help with drug arrests. West Tawakoni police chief John Alderson appealed to the Board for monetary help to purchase at least two traffic cameras to be erected on Quinlan Parkway entering and exiting the city. Another camera could be placed in the Rabbit Cove/Mays Lane area. Installation costs are \$3100 each and \$3000 each per year for maintenance. Cameras are solar powered. President Reed indicated that the cameras could help with security issues faced by some West Tawakoni businesses. Aliceson Zurovec moved, seconded by Larry Pare, to allocate \$9300 for the purchase of three cameras, installation, and maintenance for one year. The motion carried unanimously.
- b. Annual tax returns for the West Tawakoni Economic Development Corporation. President Reed explained that the EDC is not required to file a tax return since it exists in a disadvantaged community. If that status changes, there is a possibility the EDC would be required to file a tax return.
- c. Plan to meet with Atmos Energy to bring natural gas to West Tawakoni. Aliceson Zurovic volunteered to call Atmos and find out what can be done to bring natural gas to the city. Kathey O'Neal will also speak with someone she knows who might be able to help. Larry Pare will talk to Bill Slaughter who has information on the topic from several years ago.

10. Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss real property (Texas government code 551.072).

11. Return to open session

- a. Discuss and/or act on items discussed in executive session. No action was taken.

12. Citizen input-related to non-agenda items. There was no citizen input.

13. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.