

Minutes of the Woodward County Commissioners Special Meeting Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the Woodward County Fair Grounds Meeting was called to order by Chairman Clint White with members Donny Thorn & Troy White present. Also, present Wendy Dunlap, Tom Lucas & Ben Smith. Invocation followed by the Pledge of Alliance. Statement of Compliance was acknowledged agenda was filed & posted February 13, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m. Motion was made by Thorn to approve the minutes of the previous meeting seconded by C. White Voting: all ayes. C. White reported that he went to an OEDA Meeting & they are wanting to raise the dues because Woodward County has a bigger population, the proposed dues structure would increase Woodward County's payment from \$1,626.63 to \$5300 a 225.83% increase, despite this significant hike, Woodward County ranks 7<sup>th</sup> in total REAP Awards received, meaning the benefits do not align with the cost. T. White stated now is the time to move OEDA back to Woodward they have a building here & quality help could be hired. C. White stated that Witchey has said she could do it on her own but more research needs to be done there won't be a meeting for 2 months so we have plenty of time. Lucas reported & provided federal funding update from the Grant Station Insider, the Oklahoma Cooperative Circuit Emergency District Board will have a grant opportunity for equipment related to solid waste. These are expected to be due May 1<sup>st</sup>, no further information from DEQ on the tire recycling program, resent the request & still waiting for the promised e-mail with detailed information, Keith Weber will be here March 3<sup>rd</sup> due to Lucas not being present next Monday. Motion was made by T. White to table Permit from Pioneer

Telephone for fiber optic cable for public utility (boring & trenching) throughout Woodward County until more details can be worked out seconded by Thorn Voting: all ayes. Motion was made by Thorn to approve proposal from Groundworks for \$7364.52 to repair sidewalk on east side of courthouse seconded by T. White Voting: all ayes. Motion was made by C. White to approve Payroll for February 21<sup>st</sup> seconded by T. White Voting: all ayes. Motion was made by Thorn to approve Allocation of Alcoholic Beverage Tax \$22,927.84 seconded by T. White Voting: all ayes. Motion was made by Thorn to approve transfer of funds out of courthouse improvement fund into Treasurer's Resale Fund (purchase order taken out of wrong fund) \$65.45 seconded by C. White Voting: all ayes. As there was no other business before the board at this time a motion was made by C. White to adjourn seconded by Thorn Voting: all ayes.

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Clint White-Chairman