

Minutes of the Atoka City Industrial Development Authority Meeting of **April 17, 2023**, 6:00 p.m., Atoka City Hall, 353 East A Street, Atoka, Oklahoma. Original Agenda Posted **April 14, 2023**, at 4:00 p.m.; Atoka City Hall, 353 East A Street, Atoka, Oklahoma

I. Convene Meeting

- A. Meeting Called to Order- 6:39 PM
- B. Welcome- Chairman Brian Cathey
- C. Roll Call- Trustee Coby Sherrill-absent, Trustee Erica Pogue, Trustee Pat Turner, Trustee Diane McGee, Chairman Brian Cathey
- D. Public Recognition- Thomas Stephens, Kristin Stephens, Carol Ervin, Coralyne Michaelis, Miranda Donihoo, Cindy Wallis

II. Public Comments - (limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

III. Business Agenda

A. Public Hearing

B. Chairman/Trustees Agenda Items

1. Discussion and/or action regarding approving or rejecting the minutes of the meeting of April 3, 2023 (Attachment #1)

A motion was made by Trustee McGee and seconded by Trustee Pogue to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 3, 2023. Voting aye, Pogue, Turner, McGee, and Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

2. Discussion and/or action regarding accepting or rejecting the Economic Development Director Report

Economic Development Director, Carol Ervin, asked the Tourism Manager, Cindy Wallis, to give an update on Atoka Tourism. Ms. Wallis informed the board that the billboards are in place and with one being North of Town near Ethan Allen in the South Bound Lane. Ms. Wallis then spoke of the McCoy Rodeo the City of Atoka helped sponsor last weekend. She mentioned that the McCoy family (Cord, Sarah, and Tulsa) want Atoka to be their home and want people to associate the McCoy Rodeo with Atoka. At the Ada Rodeo, two weekends prior, they had two VisitAtoka.com banners as well as a rider carrying a flag in the arena after the calf scramble while speaking about what Atoka has going on. This coming weekend, the Tulsa Time Invitational for women will be filmed and aired on RFD.tv which is taking place at the McCoy Ranch. Ms. Wallis went on to discuss the Discover Oklahoma had a clip about Reba's Place and had a clip of the Atoka Museum and Civil War Cemetery. Thursday, Cindy and Miranda Donihoo will be driving to Oklahoma City to attend the meeting regarding the Jefferson Highway. Saturday, Cindy will be going to Oklahoma City History Center and giving a presentation of the Gene Smith Story. Ms. Wallis stated that the scholars and graduates are able to select a presentation out of submissions received and they have commented in the past of how much they enjoy the Atoka stories. The museum has also changed its hours and will now be closed on Monday's but will be open on Saturday's for tourism.

A motion was made by Trustee McGee and seconded by Trustee Pogue to accept the Economic Development Director Report. Voting aye, Turner, McGee, Pogue, and Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

3. Discussion and/or action on approving or rejecting the payment of purchase orders for the Atoka City Industrial Development Authority for the month of March 2023. (Attachment #3)

A motion was made by Trustee Pogue and seconded by Trustee McGee to approve the payment of purchase orders for the Atoka City Industrial Development Authority for the month of March 2023. Voting aye, McGee, Pogue, Turner, and Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

4. Discussion and/or possible action to establish the Atoka Tax Increment Finance District checking account at AmeriState Bank and establish signers on the account.

Ms. Ervin stated that the board previously approved hiring Walker Tisdale for accounting services pertaining to the Atoka Tax Increment Finance District and the TIF will now need a checking account. Walker will manage this account as far as accounting. Trustee Pogue asked why the account must be at AmeriState Bank and not FirstBank, at which she was answered that while the city also banks with FirstBank, the checking accounts are held at AmeriState for easy transferring when needed. The account will need at least two signers, but the account will only require one signature at a time.

A motion was made by Trustee Pogue and seconded by Trustee Turner to establish the Atoka Tax Increment Finance District checking account at AmeriState Bank and establish Brian Cathey and Diane McGee to be the signers on the account. Voting aye, Pogue, Turner, McGee. Abstaining, Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

C. Public Requested Agenda Items

IV. Consent Agenda Items

V. Executive Session

An executive session as authorized by Title 25 O.S. Section 307 (C)(11), All nonprofit foundations, boards, bureaus, commissions, agencies, trusteeships, authorities, councils, committees, public trusts, task forces or study groups supported in whole or part by public funds or entrusted with the expenditure of public funds for purposes of conferring on matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to locate within their jurisdiction if public disclosure of the matter discussed would interfere with the development of products or services or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business, specifically an update to the Atoka City Industrial Development Authority Board on economic development projects and for possible real estate transactions that cannot be publicly disclosed due to the confidential nature of the business relocation.

A motion was made by Trustee Pogue and seconded by Trustee McGee to recess this meeting at 6:50 PM and enter into executive session. Voting aye, Pogue, Turner, McGee, and Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

Recessed- 6:50 PM

A motion as made by Trustee McGee and seconded by Trustee Pogue to reconvene from executive session and enter into regular session at 7:13 PM. Voting aye Turner, McGee, Pogue, and Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

Reconvened- 7:13 PM

VI. Return from Executive Session

- 1. Acknowledge minutes taken during executive session

See exhibit A for minutes of the executive session.

- 2. Discussion and/or action regarding property on the East side of the Rail Road Tracks and approving or denying the Atoka City Industrial Development Authority Director to enter into negotiations on the property.

A motion was made by Trustee Pogue and seconded by Trustee McGee to approve the Atoka City Industrial Development Authority Director to enter into negotiations on the property located on the East side of the Rail Road Tracks. Voting aye, McGee, Pogue, Turner, and Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

VIII. Trustee Comments

IX. Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee McGee and seconded by Trustee Pogue to adjourn this meeting at 7:14 PM. Voting aye, Pogue, Turner, McGee, and Chairman Cathey. Voting nay, none. Motion carried.

Adjourned: 7:14 PM

Attest:
(seal)

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Kayle Wallis, Secretary

Brian Cathey, Chairman