

## WOOD COUNTY INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

August 4, 2016  
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Jalapeno Tree  
Mineola, Texas

The Wood County Industrial Commission met August 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., at the Jalapeno Tree in Mineola, Texas.

### Members Present:

Ken Donahue	Gary Edwards	Janna Castloo	Allene Doggett
Martha Scroggins	Sam Scroggins	Neal Duncan	Brad Floyd
JR Simpson	Richard Pearce	Jason LaRue	Dan Kirk
Lowe Ann Elliott	Gerald Elliott		

### Members Not Present:

Sue Hitzemann

**Others Present:** Executive Director Kiki Bettis; Tommy Anderson with the Wood County Monitor; and guests Gayle Cooper with the Winnsboro Economic Development Corporation, and Gwyn Kirk.

- 1. Call To Order/Welcome:** Chairman Sam Scroggins called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., followed by the invocation led by Ken Donahue. Chairman Scroggins recognized and welcomed guests, Gayle Cooper, Executive Director of the Winnsboro Economic Development Corporation; Tommy Adams with the Wood County Monitor newspaper and Gwyn Kirk.
- 2. Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by JR Simpson and seconded by Janna Castloo to approve the minutes from the July 7 meeting. Motion carried- unanimously. A motion was made by Janna Castloo and seconded by Dan Kirk to approve the financial reports for the month ending July 31, 2016. Motion carried- unanimously.
- 3. Accept Resignation from Paul Kelbe:** Alba representative Paul Kelbe has decided to resign from the WCIC board. A motion was made by Neal Duncan and seconded by Richard Pearce to accept Kelbe's resignation. Motion carried- unanimously.
- 4. WCIC Wood County Airport Board Representative:** Members of the Wood County Airport Board has requested a representative from the WCIC board fill a vacancy. Neal Duncan volunteered to fill the open seat. A motion was made by Ken Donahue and seconded Richard Pearce nominating Neal Duncan to serve on the Wood County Airport Board as a representative of the WCIC. Motion carried-unanimously.
- 5. Proposed General Fund Budget FY 2016-2017:** Bettis presented the board with a copy of the proposed General Fund budget for the fiscal year 2016-2017 and gave a quick overview. The overall total of the General Fund budget is set at \$172,310 which is the same amount as last year's however there were a couple of changes made to particular line items in order to increase the amount allotted for UCC Grants which was set at \$50,000. A motion was made by Ken Donahue and seconded by Allene Doggett to approve the Proposed General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17. Motion carried-unanimously. The proposed budget will be submitted to the County Judge and Commissioners Court for final approval.
- 6. Proposed HOT Fund Budget FY 2016-2017:** Bettis presented the board with a copy of the proposed Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Fund budget for the fiscal year 2016-2017 and gave a quick overview. The overall total of the HOT Fund budget is set at \$123,600 which is \$4,050 less than last year's amount. The difference was originally allocated for the Kasey Musgrave's Concert and Car show however those events were not rescheduled for the upcoming year. A motion was made by Martha Scroggins and seconded by Lowe Ann Elliott to approve the Proposed HOT Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17. Motion carried-unanimously. The proposed HOT budget will be submitted to the County Judge and Commissioners Court for final approval.

7. **Chairman's Report:** Chairman Scroggins thanked everyone and their community for supporting the Tips 4 Tots fundraiser held last Monday night. The event was held at AJ's Fish House and hosted by the Wood County Child Welfare & Protection Board. Scroggins said the annual event was incredible and well received with more than 500 attendees and raising more than \$23,000.
8. **Executive Directors Report:** Bettis gave a brief report beginning with showing off the Industrial Commission's new promotional banner and table cover. The banner made its first debut at the High School Fishing Tournament held last weekend. Bettis asked the board to remind their communities of the available funds through the UCC grant program. Applications and guidelines are listed on the website or those interested in applying can contact the WCIC office to obtain the forms. Deadline to submit applications are August 31 and the committee will begin reviewing the applications in September. Bettis announced she will be taking time off the week of August 8-15 for a family vacation.
9. **Community Reports:**
  - Alba-* It's sunny, warm and the fishing is good!
  - Hawkins-* The Rotary Club handed out supplies and presented six bikes Hawkins students last week. A new Dollar General Store is opening in Holly Lake Ranch and the golf course has had some renovations.
  - Mineola-* Republican Women of Wood County will host its annual Taste of East Texas on August 20. Tickets are \$12 each and will held be at the Mineola Civic Center beginning at 6 p.m. There will 17 local restaurants participating in the event and Dale "The C" Cummings will perform. "Suds" the musical is scheduled for this weekend at the Lake Country Playhouse. The new Splash Pad has opened at the City Park, Taco Bell is nearly completed and the Farmers Market is held each Saturday of the month. Also, Mineola ISD is undergoing some remodeling and changes to their campuses.
  - Quitman-* The Wood County Old Settler Reunion is scheduled to take place August 3-6 at the Governor Jim Hogg City Park. The removal of the asbestos in the buildings on the downtown square has been completed, the parking lot renovations are still ongoing and the EDC has been approached by some investment groups with various ideas. Also, there will be a 42 Tournament on Saturday at the Forever Young Activity Center and the renovations at the Quitman ISD campus are still a work in progress.
  - Winnsboro-* The annual Classic Car Cruise will be held Saturday, September 3.
  - Yantis-* The new Car Wash is officially open and it's been sunny and hot!
10. **Next Meeting** The next meeting will be held Thursday, September 1, 2016 in Quitman, with the location set to be determined at the end of the month.
11. **Meeting adjourned** at 8:03 p.m. A motion was made by Dan Kirk and seconded by Janna Castloo. Motion carried-unanimously.

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Kiki Bettis, Executive Director