ARDMORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING April 23, 2023, 5:00 P.M. Ardmore Chamber of Commerce 410 West Main Street Ardmore, OK 73401

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Scott Chapman, Dr. Craig Gerken, Patrick McGuire, T.J. Riley, Mike Whitson

**EX-OFFICIOS TRUSTEES:** 

STAFF:

Bill Murphy, Annilisa Peevy

**GUESTS:** 

Item 1: Call to order and roll call and declaration of quorum.

Scott Chapman called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m.

Item 2: Confirmation of compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

Bill Murphy informed Mr. Chapman that the agenda was placed and posted in a timely manner in a prominent public view.

Item 3: Consideration and possible action to approve a professional services agreement with Amanda Mullins, PLLC for legal services at \$200/hour and the approval or rejection of any amendments proposed or considered by the board at the meeting.

Bill Murphy informed the trustees that Debi Sterkel, the ADA's longtime counsel, has decided to fully retire from her practice. Mrs. Sterkel referred Amanda Mullins to take over legal duties. Mr. Murphy also informed that board that Mrs. Mullins will also be representing the Ardmore Tourism Authority upon approval by that organization's trustees. Following a brief discussion, Mike Whitson motioned to approve a professional services agreement with Amanda Mullins, PLLC for legal services at \$200/hour T.J. Riley seconded. Scott Chapman, Dr. Craig Gerken, Patrick McGuire, T.J. Riley, and Mike Whitson voted aye. There were no nays or abstentions. The motion passed.

Item 4: Consideration and possible action to approve a professional services agreement with the Center for Economic Development Law for legal services at \$325/hour and the approval or rejection of any amendments proposed or considered by the board at the meeting.

Bill Murphy informed the board that this engagement is to obtain a legal opinion on the bid process for the PREP funds being awarded to the ADA through the Oklahoma Department of Commerce and the Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission for projects at the Ardmore Industrial Airpark. The agreement will be for no more than fifty (50) hours of work and will not extend beyond 2023. After discussion, T.J. Riley motioned to approve a professional services agreement with the Center for Economic Development Law for legal services at \$325/hour. Dr. Craig Gerken seconded. Scott Chapman, Dr. Craig Gerken, Patrick McGuire, T.J. Riley, and Mike Whitson voted aye. There were no nays or abstentions. The motion passed.

Item 5: Adjourn

With no further business, Dr. Craig Gerken motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mike Whitson seconded. Scott Chapman, Dr. Craig Gerken, Patrick McGuire, T.J. Riley, and Mike Whitson voted aye. There were no nays or abstentions. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

William P. Murphy, Secretary