

**CITY OF CATOOSA
CATOOSA INDUSTRIAL AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF JULY 24, 2023
REGULAR MEETING**

I. Meeting convened

A. Call to Order: A regular meeting of the Catoosa Industrial Authority of the City of Catoosa was held and called to order by Chairman Greg Williams at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, the 24th day of July 2023 at Catoosa City Hall, 214 S. Cherokee, Catoosa, Oklahoma 74015. The meeting was held in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and was posted in accordance therewith at least 24 hours in advance at City Hall for the purpose of discussion, consideration, and possible action on the following agenda items.

B. Roll Call: The following Trustees were **present** for this meeting: Vice-Chairman Jonnie Mott; Teresa O'Donnell; Kyle Gibson; Fred Williams; Chairman Greg Williams; Thomas Sweet; and Brenda Conley.

The following staff members were present for this meeting: John Blish, City Manager; Vicky Sutton, City Clerk; Jamie Scrivner, Finance Director; Ronnie Benight, Police Chief; Denus Benton, Fire Chief; and City Attorney Eric Wade, of Rosenstein, Fist & Ringold.

C. Public Comments: There were no public comments.

II. Consent Agenda:

Information: Consideration and appropriate action relating to a request for Board of Trustee approval of the Consent Agenda:

- 1) Approval of Minutes of the **July 10, 2023**, Regular Meeting
- 2) Approval of Regular and Prepaid Claims

A motion was made by **Brenda Conley** and seconded by **Jonnie Mott** to approve the consent agenda. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet -aye	Teresa O'Donnell-aye
Chairman Greg Williams-aye	Vice-Chairman Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-no	

III. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda:** There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

IV. **Agenda Items:**

Item #1: Resolution No. 2023-606 Sales Tax Agreement

A motion was made by **Kyle Gibson** and seconded by **Teresa O'Donnell** to adopt Resolution No. 2023-606 renewing for the 2023-2024 fiscal year the Sales Tax Agreement dated July 1, 2018, between the City of Catoosa and the Catoosa Industrial Authority. The motion **passed** with the following votes:

Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet-aye	Teresa O'Donnell-abstain
Mayor Greg Williams-aye	Vice-Mayor Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

V. **New Business:**

I have a concern that I found out about late Friday after the posting of this agenda. Last week, I spent three days at the City Managers Conference; I spent a lot of time talking to different city managers. One of the stories that a city manager shared with me scared me. It has to do with dealing with money; and I am talking about money exchanging hands. I currently have staff working with Denus on how we should respond to this issue. I spoke with Denus, Police Chief, Assistant Police Chief, and several other people Friday night about fentanyl. One of the city managers had stayed late on cut off day. He made them mad because he had requested that they bring cash in because all their systems were down, so they were not able to take credit card payments. He does not know if it was intentional or not, but the guy brought in cash, so the city manager took the cash payment. The city manager only lived a few blocks from City Hall. He stated that he got into his truck; he started getting hot and sweating. He said he was rubbing sweat off the back of his head and the next thing he knew he was going down. Talking to him a little bit made me realize that we are going to have to change some of our practices up. My biggest thing is we have a defibrillator in the hallway in case something happens. The fentanyl is just getting way over the top and out of hand for our employees taking money, it scared me. The police department as of today, has supplied us Narcan here at City Hall. It is a conversation that we need to continue to have for the safety of our employees that are taking cash. I had not thought about that, but it did bring up conversations that whenever COVID was prevalent there was a gestation period of how long COVID would stay on the counter, but how long does this happen? I talked to Denus during COVID, so the fire department would come in, spraying each of the offices on a regular basis. We are going to start that back up if we can come up with something that can prevent this from happening. One thing I will share with you is that we have

alcohol on the countertops that people squirt on their hands to clean their hands; actually, it increases the effectiveness of fentanyl because it opens your pores, allowing it to get in there faster. They are recommending using half peroxide and half water instead of hand sanitizer. I want you to be aware of it, this has scared me to the point that I am ordering it off Amazon, so my kids are carrying it in their diaper bags, cars and we have it at the house. The biggest thing is respiratory arrest so Denus, that is what we need to start looking for. We are going to push this information out not only to our employees, but we are going to push it out to you as well because you never know. Touching something in public is where it starts. This is a scary thought, we want to make those adjustments for our employees, but I also want you to be aware of why. If it is something that we need to do, if the city can provide Narcan for you guys, then that's what we want to do. Please be aware of your surroundings.

VI. Trustee Comments: There were no trustee comments.

VII. Adjourn:

A motion was made by **Fred Williams** and seconded by **Kyle Gibson** to adjourn. The motion **passed** with the following votes: (7:09 PM)

Brenda Conley-aye	Kyle Gibson-aye
Thomas Sweet -aye	Teresa O'Donnell-aye
Chairman Greg Williams-aye	Vice-Chairman Jonnie Mott-aye
Fred Williams-aye	

Approved on this _____ day of _____, 2023

Vicky Sutton, City Clerk

Greg Williams, Chairman