



REGULAR MEETING

September 15, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Orange County Appraisal District met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at 5:30 pm. The meeting took place at the district's office at 9157 IH 10, East, Orange, Texas.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Tim Schossow, Karen Fisher, Tim Andrews, Laura Floyd

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: James "Jim" Brown

CHIEF APPRAISER: Scott W. Overton

ATTORNEY: Not Present

VISITORS: None

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

I. CALL TO ORDER

Tim Schossow called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m. Scott Overton led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

III. REPORT AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

1. Discuss and / or Approve Repairs to the District Due to Hurricane Laura

- a. Fence
- b. Security Lights
- c. Sheetrock Repair

After discussion, the board agreed unanimously to wait to repair the fence and sheetrock until after the first of the year due to upcharges from demand. The security lights and cameras need to be done immediately. No motion necessary.

2. Discuss and / or Approve Bid Specifications for One (1) New Automobile for 2021

After a brief discussion the board agreed to go with the current bid specification sheet. No motion necessary.

3. Discuss and/or Accept Resignation of Board Member James “Jim” Brown

Karen Fisher made a motion to accept the resignation of board member James “Jim” Brown effective immediately. Laura Floyd seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. Review the Supplements to the Tax Roll

Scott Overton presented supplements to the tax roll to the Board of Directors. No motion necessary.

5. Discuss and/or Approve the Minutes for Tuesday, July 28, 2020 Regular Meeting.

Tim Andrews made a motion to approve the Minutes for Tuesday, July 28, 2020 Regular Meeting. Karen Fisher seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6. Discuss and/or Approve the Minutes for Tuesday, July 28, 2020 Public Meeting.

Tim Schossow made a motion to approve the Minutes for Tuesday, July 28, 2020 Public Meeting. Tim Andrews seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

7. Discuss and/or Approve the July and August 2020 Bills for the Appraisal District.

Karen Fisher made a motion to approve the July and August 2020 Bills for the Appraisal District. Tim Andrews seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

8. Discuss and/or Approve the Minutes for Monday, August 12, 2019 Called Meeting.

Tim Schossow made a motion to approve the Minutes for Monday, August 12, 2019 Called Meeting. Tim Andrews seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

9. Discuss and/or Approve the Year to Date Investments for the Appraisal District.

Karen Fisher made a motion to approve the Year to Date Investments for the Appraisal District. Laura Floyd seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

10. Discuss and/or Approve the Year to Date 2020 Financial Reports.

Laura Floyd made a motion to approve the Year to Date 2020 Financial Reports. Tim Andrews seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

IV. REPORT OF BOARD MEMBERS

No report

V. REPORT OF CHAIR OF THE BOARD

No report

VI. REPORT OF ATTORNEY

No report

VII. REPORT OF CHIEF APPRAISER

Scott Overton reported July’s Employee of the Month was Stefanie McRight and August’s was April Dickerson. He also reported that He and Tahia attended the Legislative Update hosted by TAAD. He reported that there were several changes in the laws that affect appraisal districts. The biggest being a new transparency website that will need to be implemented in 2021. Scott Overton reported that Phase 1 of the office building remodel has been complete and JackBuilt did a great job.

Scott Overton reported that due to the COVID-19 pandemic our office is still only open to lobby traffic only. He also reported that the District shut down completely the week of Hurrigan Laura and the week following due to the power outages in the area. Most of the employees faired very well in the storm. A few had some roof damage or other minor damage but overall, we were all very lucky. Scott Overton reported that the District opened last Monday and are working on 2021 appraisals. He did file a police report due to the shooting of the Districts building. There are two bullet holes, one goes into the attic space and the other came through the front wall of the building and penetrated three interior walls. He reported that this happened sometime between Thursday evening August 27th and Monday morning August 31st.

Scott Overton asked that the Board of Directors please start thinking about a new ARB member, preferably from the Orangefield/Vidor area. Mrs. Dubois has only made one meeting this year and missed most of the meetings last year. This is making it hard on the other members and it also makes it difficult to make a quorum when some of the others need to miss for various reasons. Right now, we have representatives from West Orange, LCM, and 2 from BC.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Tim Schossow adjourned the meeting at 6:37 pm.

APPROVAL:

Tim Schossow, Chair of the Board

ATTESTED:

Karen Fisher, Secretary of the Board