

THE STATE OF TEXAS§

THE COUNTY OF MILAM§

MILAM APPRAISAL DISTRICT

The Milam Appraisal District Board of Directors (BOD) convened in a regular meeting Thursday, July 17, 2014, at the Milam Appraisal District Office, 120 North Houston Street, Cameron, Texas.

Attending:

Board Members:

Tim Arledge
Don Culp
Jim Hodson
Kolette Morgan
Travis Yoakum

Staff:

Dyann White, Chief Appraiser
Miranda Drake, Business Manager

Others:

Pastor Roger DeLong

Absent Board Members:

Larry Patterson

Item 1. Call To Order

Having a voting quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Tim Arledge at 8:30 a.m. Invocation by Pastor Roger DeLong, moment of silence, pledge of allegiance to U.S. Flag, and pledge of allegiance to the Texas Flag.

Item 2. Public Hearing – 2015-2016 Reappraisal Plan

Opened Public Hearing for the 2015-2016 Reappraisal Plan at 8:33 a.m. No one in attendance. Closed Public Hearing.

Item 3. Citizen's Communication –

None.

Item 4. New Board Member – sign Statement of Elected/Appointed Officers; take and sign Oath of Office.

a. Mr. Patterson not in attendance. Postpone item to next meeting.

Item 5. Consent Items –

All items listed under this section, Consent Items, are considered to be routine by the Board and may be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired by the Board, any item may be removed from the Consent Items at the request of any Board Member and will be considered separately.

- a. Approve minutes of June 19, 2014 regular meeting
- b. Approve June Budget Report
- c. Accept ARB Quarter Change Report (delivered to Board & ARB by July 10th)

Motion by Mr. Hodson to approve consent items as presented, seconded by Mr. Yoakum, approved by unanimous vote.

Item 6. Accept Items as Received –

a. ARB Activity Report.

Chief Appraiser provided report as presented in agenda item. We are set to approve records Friday. Tomorrow, the ARB will finalize everything. This is a formal action taken stating we have completed all protest with anything pending representing less than 5% of the County's total appraised value. Typically we end up with less than 1% on our pending value.

No action taken, for informational purposes only.

Item 7. Consider New Business –

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2015-2016 Reappraisal Plan.

Chief Appraiser provided information as presented in agenda item.

Motion by Mr. Hodson to approve the 2015-2016 Reappraisal Plan, Mrs. Morgan seconded, approved by unanimous vote.

b. Discussion and possible action to approve the Public Information Policy.

Chief Appraiser explained that this is a recommendation of the State Comptroller's Office and explained the change in the cost of the DVD from \$25.00 to \$3.00.

Motion by Mr. Hodson to approve the Public Information Policy, seconded by Mr. Yoakum, approved by a unanimous vote.

c. Discussion and possible action to approve resolutions changing retirement plans as follows:

- Resolution to terminate the current Milam Appraisal District Retirement Plan effective September 30, 2014.
- Resolution to elect participation in the Texas County District Retirement System effective October 1, 2014.

Chief Appraiser explained that this is the item that was tabled at the last meeting in order for more Board members to be present before approving. Business Manager reviewed options. Board discussed options including proposed GTLI.

Motion by Mrs. Morgan to approve the resolution terminating the Milam Appraisal District Retirement Plan effective September 30, 2014, seconded by Mr. Culp, approved by a unanimous vote.

Motion by Mr. Hodson to approve the resolution electing participation in the Texas County District Retirement System (TCDRS) and approving Plan 1 with the additional Group Term Life Insurance (GTLI) option effective October 1, 2014, seconded by Mr. Yoakum, approved by a unanimous vote.

Plan 1 Option includes the 8-year vesting option, Rule of 80, and a 30-year retirement with the employee contributing 4% and the employer matching at 175%.

d. Discussion and possible action to cancel August regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

Motion by Mr. Yoakum to cancel the August regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Culp, approved by a unanimous vote.

e. Discussion and possible action to approve 2nd Quarter Investment Report.

Chief Appraiser reviewed item pointing out that the interest earnings for the quarter was \$316.39.

Motion by Mr. Hodson to approve the 2nd Quarter Investment Report, seconded by Mrs. Morgan, approved by a unanimous vote.

Item 8. Chief Appraiser's Report –

- a. Litigation report – None
- b. Board Calendar Review –

Action taken to cancel August meeting

In September we will post in the local media that we need a new ARB member to appoint in October. We will need to find another ARB member. Mr. Lagrone is serving the last year of his term. He will have to sit-out a full two-year term before he will be eligible to serve again. This Fall, the Board will need to appoint another ARB member for 2015-2016. In the past we have posted a vacancy in the local media to have people apply, or if the Board has someone in mind.

Informed Board that Mr. Don Thompson, former ARB member, had passed away.

Chief Appraiser briefed Board on recent changes to our website. She explained it is up and running. We have been receiving some feedback regarding the maps. We have asked BIS to make a few changes such as making the underlying map our map rather than the Google map.

We have tested the website and all the functionality is there and there are more options on the map including the ability to measure and estimate acreage.

Mr. Hodson recommended putting a date on the pages that are shown to be "under construction" so the user knows when the information will be available.

Chief Appraiser briefed Board on reduction/loss in Luminant value in regards to Sandow Unit 5.

No action taken, for informational purposes only.

Reviewed website and map options.

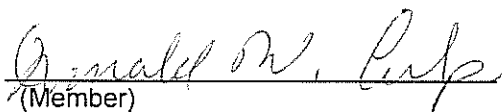
NOTE: Written reports of any above listed items provided to all BOD members are considered part of the BOD's minutes as reports.

Item 9. Adjournment

Having no further business to consider, on motion by Mrs. Morgan and second by Mr. Hodson, the meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

NOTE: Recording of the foregoing meeting on file for 90 days in the Milam Appraisal District Office, 120 North Houston Street, Cameron, Texas. The above and foregoing minutes examined and approved in open meeting this the 18th day of September, 2014.

Attest:


(Member)


Chair of the Board