## LAMAR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2022 4:00PM

Members present: Don Biard, David Dunmon, Clifton Fendley, Kenneth Kohls and Marcus Wood.

LCAD Staff present: Stephanie Lee, Pat Loven and Sue Shelton.

- 1. Meeting called to order and a quorum declared at 4:00 p.m. by Board Chairman, Clifton Fendley.
- 2. Public comments. There were no public comments. Mary Madewell of The Paris News, was in attendance.
- 3. Approval of minutes from April 27, 2022 meeting.

Motion: Don Biard

Second:

David Dunmon

Vote: Unanimous

4. The Board approved the Supplement to Appraisal Roll for the Second Quarter of 2022 per the Texas Property Tax Code.

Motion: David Dunmon

Second: Don Biard

Vote: Unanimous

- 5. No action was taken after discussion of the Board size and Election process.
- 6. The District Financial report was given by Stephanie Lee. She reported that Appraisal and Collection are in line with the budget.

Motion: Kenneth Kohls

Second: Don Biard

Vote: Unanimous

7. The Director of Collections report was given by Pat Loven. She reported that through April 30, 2022 collections are at 77,402,208.91 making the total collected as 93.98 percent. She advised that both, Linebarger,Goggan,Blair & Sampson and Tracy Pounders, will have tax sales on July 5th. Linebarger will be offering sixteen properties for sale and Pounders will have 58 properties to sell.

Motion: Don Biard

Second: David Dunmon

Vote: <u>Unanimous</u>

8. The Apprasial Department report was given by Sue Shelton, Director of Operations. She reported that 27,812 real property Appraisal Notices, which includes Capitol Appraisal accounts, have been mailed and the informal protest season has begun. She said the unusually high number is due to adjustments made to Chisum, Prairiland & Paris, as a result of the Property Value Study in addition to the North Lamar reappraisal. She advised that the \$40,000 Homestead Exemption was voted into effect on May 7th offering taxpayers some relief. She also told that the Personal Property Appraisal Notices have been sent to the printer with a note to mail ASAP.

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She said that Richard Petree gave advice on handling the protest season and assured us the entire state of Texas is experiencing massive increases in market value. She told that Roy Holcomb with PACS, held a virtual training session with us on Friday, May 20th so we could see best practices using PACS to handle the organization of the protest.

Motion: Don Biard

Second: Kenneth Kohls

Vote: Unanimous

9. The Chief Appraiser report was given by Stephanie Lee. She advised the Board that we have started the protest season and that ARB hearings are set for June and July. She stated that the new fencing had been installed on the west side of the building and that the lighting is being updated to LED at this time. She also expressed thanks for the new security cameras that were installed and told they have already been a help when a taxpayer had accidentally left a gun laying on the the Collections counter, after removing from her purse, to look for change. The gun was returned to its rightful owner.
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She advised the Board that she will be on vacation from June 27th thru July 1, 2022. The Board made a decision to not hold a meeting in June.

She advised the Board that there was a court ruling that resulted in a refund due to PPF Gin from Chisum ISD and that she is working with Chisum to the refund issued.

Motion: David Dunmon

Second: Kenneth Kohls

Vote: Unanimous

- 10. A closed session was not required by the Board or Chief Appraiser.
- 11. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Motion: Clifton Fendley

Second: Don Biard

Vote: Unanimous

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