

LAMAR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2024
4:00 P.M.

Members present: Clifton Fendley, Don Biard, Kenneth Kohls, David Dunmon and Bryan Glass

Members Absent: None

LCAD Staff present: Stephanie Lee, Margie McKee and Tonya Vanderburg.

1 Meeting called to order and a quorum declared at 4:04 p.m. by Board Chairman Clifton Fendley.

2 Public Comments: No public comments. No one present from the public.

3 Approval of minutes from May 29, 2024 meeting.

Motion: Don Biard Second: Kenneth Kohls Vote: Unanimous

4 The Supplement to the Appraisal Roll for the 3rd Qtr 2024 per the Texas Property Tax Code was presented, approved and signatures were obtained from each member.

Motion: Don Biard Second: David Dunmon Vote: Unanimous

5 The Board discussed and approved a contract with McClanahan and Holmes, LLP to perform the audit for year ending August 31, 2024.

Motion: Don Biard Second: Kenneth Kohls Vote: Unanimous

6 The Board discussed the increase in medical insurance from Texas Health Benefits. The rates went from \$985.14 in 2023 to \$1,063.96 in 2024, an 8% increase. The Board voted to continue paying 95.20% of the amount, with the employee paying 4.80%

Motion: Don Biard Second: Bryan Glass Vote: Unanimous

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7 The Board discussed and approved line item transfers that were needed to balance the budget for the current year.

Motion: Don Biard

Second: Kenneth Kohls

Vote: Unanimous

8 The District Financial reports for the month of May, June and July were given by Stephanie Lee. She reported that the Appraisal and Collection department expenses were in line with the budget thru July.

Motion: Don Biard

Second: Kenneth Kohls

Vote: Unanimous

9 The Director of Collections report was presented by Tonya Vanderburg, Assistant Director of Collections, in the absence of Pat Loven. She reported that tax collections for the current year are \$80,655,781.69 and Delinquent Years \$1,216,239.30, for a total of 81932020.99 with an average percentage of collections at 95.80%. She reported that Linebarger, Goggan and Blair delinquent attorneys, held an auction on July 2, selling ten properties for a total of \$52,990.34 and Tracy Pounders, delinquent attorney for the City of Paris and Paris Junior College had a sale on August 6th, selling four properties for a total of \$5,660.00. She stated that during the previous month, tax rate calculations for five of the entities had been figured, so they could begin the process to adopt the 2024 tax rates.

Motion: Don Biard

Second: Kenneth Kohls

Vote: Unanimous

10 The Chief Appraisers report was give by Stephanie Lee. She reported that there have been zero (0) lawsuits and five (5) Arbitrations filed thus far for 2024. She advised that there is an opening for a seasonal clerk job and there has been an ad in the Paris News since August 4th. There have been several resumes received and interviews will begin in the next week. She reported that reappraisal will start in September on the North Lamar and Chisum ISD parcels. She advised the last ARB hearing was held on August 23, 2024 and that the ARB status for 2024 was as follows: 2206 Protest, 881 Inquiries and 1242 Settlement & Waivers. The Appraisal Roll was certified on July 25, 2024 with less than 3% still under ARB review and the totals were delivered to the Entities in a timely manner. She advised that all Taxing Entities have received the Request for Tax Rates. She informed the Board that she attended the TAAO conference recently and that she will be attending The Rural Chief Appraiser Conference (TRCA) in October.

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11 A "Closed Session" was not required by the Board or the Chief Appraiser.

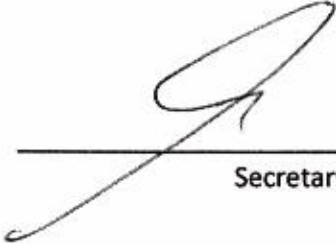
12 No action needed due to no Closed Session.

13 The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Motion: Clifton Fendley

Second: Don Biard

Vote: Unanimous



Secretary



Chairman