LIBERTY COUNTY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Liberty County Central Appraisal District Board of Directors held April 27, 2023.

Chairman Bobby Coats called meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

After establishing a quorum was present, Chairman Coats opened the meeting with the following Directors present:

Bobby Coats Josh Day Richard Brown ex-officio

John Hebert Jr in at 9:40 a.m. Mark Sjolander

Director Holst was not in attendance.

Director Sjolander led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags which were recited by the Directors and staff. Director Day led the audience in prayer.

Chairman Coats requested the Directors to review the minutes of the March 2023 meeting. A motion was made by Director Sjolander and seconded by Director Day to approve the minutes for the March meeting. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members.

The Board recognized the employee of the month for March, Robin Bradt.

Chief McCarty presented communications from to the members.

Under new business, Chief McCarty informed the board of the entities that will be attending the budget meeting. Devers ISD, City of Cleveland, and Liberty County. Director Sjolander motioned for Director Hebert Jr. and Director Day to represent the CAD, seconded by Director Day. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members.

Chief McCarty presented the board with the only bid to print the Truth in taxation postcards that the CAD is required to send from Laser Printing. Director Day motioned to approve Laser Printing to handle the required printing, seconded by Director Sjolander. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members.

Tony Gowan presented the annual financial audit of the district, which was compiled by Axley & Rode, LLP.

Chief McCarty presented the disclosure of employees outside employment according to rule 628.4 of Tax Professional Ethics Rules and Statutes and conflict disclosure per TDLR 94.72. Director Hebert Jr. motion to accept, seconded by Director Sjolander. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members.

Under Chief Appraiser's reports and recommendations, Chief McCarty presented the financial reports and disbursements for March 2023. Chairman Coats called for a motion to approve the financial report and disbursements. The motion was made by Director Sjolander and seconded by Director Day. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members.

Director Hebert Jr. motioned to approve the 25.25 changes to the certified appraisal roll; seconded by Director Day. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members.

There were not any requests to waive penalty and interest on taxing units' quarterly assessments.

Under the Chief Appraiser's report on the operation of the district, Chief McCarty informed the board that over 4,493 appraisals, permits, and check backs had been worked. 470 building permits, 4,993 ownership changes, 464 address changes, 415 homestead applications, 362 a/timber applications, 586 personal property inspections, 4,340 renditions mailed, and the Cleveland office has had an increase of customers. Website activity is up, protests at the time filed 189, 64 lawsuits, and 83, 596 notices have been sent out.

Director Hebert Jr. motioned to approve the quarterly investment report, seconded by Director Sjolander. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members.

Chief McCarty informed the board about that protest season is about to kick off. Also, that ARB training has not been scheduled yet.

The board convened into executive session at 10:32 a.m., as authorized by the Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1)(a)(b), consultation with attorneys; Section 551.072, deliberations about real property; Section 551.074, personnel matter; Section 551.076, security matters.

The board reconvened into open session at 10:42 a.m., with no action taken on items discussed in Executive Session as authorized by the Texas Government Code, Section 551.102.

Old business: None

Director Hebert Jr. motioned to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Director Day. The motion was approved unanimously of voting members and the meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Approved, this the 15th day of June 2023.

Chairman, Liberty County Central Appraisal District Secretary, Liberty County Central Appraisal District