

**REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2020**

The Board of Directors of the Morris County Appraisal District met in regular session on Thursday, September 24, 2020 in the conference room of the Morris County Appraisal District, 501 Crockett Street, Suite 1, Daingerfield, TX. Members present were, Kenneth M. Allen, Scott Pollan, Ray Thigpen & Ginger Smith. Others present: Summer Golden, Chief Appraiser.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice Chairman Pollan called the meeting to order at 12:12 PM & announced a quorum present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public present to comment.

**MINUTES:**

On motion by Allen, seconded by Smith & approved by all, it was moved to approve the July 30, 2020 Public Hearing Minutes as presented.

On motion by Smith, seconded by Thigpen & approved by all, it was moved to approve the July 30, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

**MASS APPRAISAL & TAX COLLECTION CONTRACT JANUARY 1, 2021-DECEMBER 31, 2022:**

Golden presented the Contract & stated she was pleased with the service & support from Pritchard & Abbott Inc. The increase is \$700 from 2021 to 2022.

On motion by Thigpen, seconded by Allen & approved by all, it was moved to approve the 2021-2022 Contract.

**MINERAL UTILITY & INDUSTRIAL CONTRACT FOR TAX YEAR 2021:**

Golden stated historically that we do a 2-year contract for the MUI Services: however, with the current state of changes we are facing I requested a 1-year contract for 2021. The contract price has not increased or decreased in years but the services have remained the same. Pritchard & Abbott have always done a phenomenal job for us & I'm pleased with their services.

On motion by Allen, seconded by Thigpen & approved by all, it was moved to approve the 2021 Contract.

**EXPENDITURES & FINANCIALS:**

July & August 2020 Expenditures & Financials were reviewed & discussed.

**CHIEF APPRAISER REPORTS:**

Golden presented the following:

MAPS Preliminary Results- results were 100% with no recommendations.

Quote for the tempered glass across the front counter & stated she'd present it to the Commissioners on the 30<sup>th</sup> of this month in hopes that would cover the costs from Covid relief funds. Furthermore, the office has been open to the public since mid-August & so far we haven't had any closures.

Retirement- Golden stated she felt it was time to navigate other retirement options. She stated just because we would look into another system, we are not obligated. Our current system isn't a guarantee benefit & since the district opted out of social security, I feel we need to explore some different options for the future of the District. She stated TCDRS was very reputable and 187 Districts are currently with them. She also stated she wouldn't bring anything to them if she didn't feel it was best for the District.

Lawsuit- we were served last week with a lawsuit from Sulphur River Gathering. The lawsuit includes other CADS & has been sent on to our Attorney. Hopefully I'll have more information by our next meeting.

**ADJOURN:**

Meeting was adjourned @ 12:41 P.M.

  
CHAIRMAN/VICE

  
SECRETARY/MEMBER