

REGULAR MEETING
December 5, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Morris County Appraisal District met in regular session on Thursday, December 5, 2019 in the conference room of the Morris County Appraisal District, 501 Crockett Street, Suite 1, Daingerfield, TX. Members present were, Danny Lilley, Kenneth M. Allen, Ray Thigpen & Jean Garner. Others present: Summer Golden, Chief Appraiser.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lilley called the meeting to order at 12 o'clock PM & announced a quorum present. No public was present to comment.

BANKING DEPOSITORY:

Golden stated that prior to mailing out requests for the banking depository; she had our attorney look over the request & he made the necessary changes. The RFP were mailed in October to all the banks under FDIC in Morris County. We received 2 proposals back, First National Bank of Hughes Springs, Daingerfield Branch & Lone Star State Bank branch of Community Bank, both institutions meet all the requirements set out in the RFP. Golden stated that Lone Star State Bank does offer more interest; however, First National Bank is extremely convenient when we are traveling back and forth multiple times a day. First National has kept us secured and I'm pleased with the services that have been provided.

On motion by Garner, seconded by Thigpen & approved by all, it was moved to award First National Bank Hughes Springs, Daingerfield Branch the Banking Depository.

BANKING:

Golden stated that currently there is a 250K restriction on the Collections Account Office Signor & after talking with the Auditor, we feel this can be lifted. Golden stated from best she could tell years ago the checks were a one signature line and that is why the restriction was on which is completely understandable; however, the account is now a 2 signature line.

On motion by Allen, seconded by Thigpen & approved by all, it was moved to remove the restriction on the Collections account for the office signor.

Golden also requested another employee, Teresa Cato, to be added to the accounts. She does not work in collections or bookkeeping which is a security we have in place. This would give the District with 2 signors in the office.

On motion by Garner, seconded by Allen & approved by all, it was move to add Teresa Cato to the banking account.

MINUTES:

On motion by Garner, seconded by Allen & approved by all, it was moved to approve September 26, 2019 Minutes.

COLLECTIONS AUDIT:

Golden stated that the Collections Audit was performed and completed. As the Audit stated, there were no errors, securities were in place at all times & there were no problems with management.

On motion by Thigpen, seconded by Allen & approved by all, it was moved to approve Collections Audit ending September 30, 2019.

BIENNIEL REAPPRAISAL PLAN:

Golden briefly discussed the changes to the Plan due to the Legislative Changes in the language and dates in the plan.

On motion by Allen, seconded by Garner & approved by all, it was moved to amend the Biennial Reappraisal Plan based on the changes listed in the Statement to Amend attached to the Plan.

2020 APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD, RESOLUTION 2019-002:

Golden stated that Shirey would be starting his 2nd term on the ARB & all other members were in terms, however, starting in 2020 there are no term limits & the County Judge will select the Chairman & Secretary from here on out. These are legislative changes. Members include: Dwayne Bell, CW Forsythe, Charles Shirey, Cole Pilgrim & Jerry Mills.

On motion by Garner, seconded by Allen & approved by all, it was moved to approve Resolution 2019-002.

CHIEF APPRAISER EVALUATION:

The Board of Directors discussed each review question giving Golden a total of 100%. Members stated they were pleased with her performance as Chief.

EXPENDITURES & FINANCIALS:

September to date Expenditures & Financials were reviewed & discussed. Golden presented a breakdown of the December expenses which included the normal monthly expenditures, however, most are paid as of this day other than a few utility bills, compensatory time, Audit & Mapping. The audit will be performed after the first of the year and we will return the unexpended to the entities after approval.

CHIEF APPRAISER REPORTS:

Golden stated the office would be closed on Tuesday, December 24 through December 26 for Christmas. Golden also stated that the BOD Election is complete & awarded Ms. Jean Garner with a plaque of Appreciation & Dedication for her service.

ADJOURN:

On motion by Allen, seconded by Thigpen & approved by all, meeting was adjourned.



CHAIRMAN



SECRETARY