

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
LIMESTONE APPRAISAL DISTRICT
January 17, 2023

The Board of Directors of the Limestone Appraisal District met in regular session at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 17th, 2023, in the Appraisal District board room in Groesbeck, Texas.

Members present: Jack Beene, Mack Jones, Louis Garner, Lynn Adams
and Stacy Hall

Members absent: Clint Burleson

Staff Present: Terri Lenamon and Leah Briggs

Visitors: Ralph Wallace from TCDRS

Attorney: Charles Buenger

Mr. Beene called the meeting to order. Terri Lenamon, Chief Appraiser, certified proper posting of the meeting notice. The meeting began with a prayer led by Mr. Beene and then the pledges.

Leah Briggs, Notary Public, was present to swear in Mr. Adams to fill the vacancy left by the passing of Mr. Troy Miller, who served as Chairman. The 2022-2023 board consists of Jack Beene, Mack Jones, Clint Burleson, Louis Garner and Lynn Adams. Stacy Hall, County Tax A/C continues to serve as a non-voting member of the board. After administering the oath, the floor was open for nominations for Chairman. Mr. Garner made the motion to name Mack Jones as Chairman. Mr. Beene seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried. Mr. Beene serves as Vice-Chairman and Mr. Garner as Secretary.

There were no visitors for public comments.

Mr. Ralph Wallace was here to represent Texas County District Retirement Systems (TCDRS). He gave a presentation for the board members on the current retirement plan and options for future changes or updates.

Mr. Beene made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Mr. Beene made the motion to approve the payment of bills. Mr. Garner seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Corrections of the Appraisal Roll under Tax Code 25.25b were presented to the board. Mr. Beene made the motion to approve this report. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

The 4th Quarter Public Funds Investment Report ending December 31, 2022, was presented for approval. Mr. Beene made the motion to approve this report. Mr. Garner seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Ratification of the appraisal contract with Western Appraisal was presented to the board. Mr. Beene made the motion to ratify the contract with Western Appraisal Services for the appraisal of commercial properties for the 2023 tax year. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Ratification of the mineral and industrial appraisal contract with Pritchard and Abbott Inc. was presented to the board. Mr. Beene made the motion to ratify the contract with Pritchard and Abbott Inc. for the appraisal of mineral and industrial properties for the 2023 tax year. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Resolution to adopt the amended Public Fund Investment Policy appointing Terri Lenamon as the Officer for the Appraisal District was approved on a motion by Mr. Beene, seconded by Mr. Garner. All voted aye, motion carried.

Mr. Beene made the motion to ratify the Public Fund Investment Policy for 2023 as presented. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Next on the agenda was the discussion of Agricultural Board Members. The board has a total of three members. Those currently serving are Craig Champion, Wil Floyd and Bill Ward. The Ag board meets at least once a year to discuss the Ag manual and to complete the agricultural survey sent from the comptroller's office.

Board members turned in the Chief Appraiser Evaluation forms indicating Ms. Lenamon had performed her job duties in a satisfactory manner.

Updates to the Chief Appraisers contract were next on the agenda. Mr. Beene made the motion to approve the updates suggested by the financial auditor. Mr. Garner seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Due to changes in the tax law, there were changes to be made to the Board of Directors Manual as well. Mr. Beene made the motion to approve the updates. Mr. Garner seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

The signature cards needed to be updated with Citizens State bank to reflect the chief appraiser and two current board members. The Safe Deposit box signature cards will consist of the chief appraiser and two current employees.

Mr. Beene made a motion to remove Karen Wietzikoski, John McCarver, and Mary Marcotte from all Citizens State Bank accounts and Safe Deposit Box signature cards. Terri Lenamon, Mack Jones and Louis Garner will be the signatures on all four of Citizens State Bank accounts. Terri Lenamon, Rick Welch and Leah Briggs will be the signers on the Safe Deposit Box.

Mr. Adams seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Mr. Charles Buenger was present to give the attorney's report. He stated that there were still six pending lawsuits, many of which are more than a year old. There was nothing new to report.

In the Chief Appraiser's report Terri Lenamon stated that the M.A.P. Review results will come out the end of January. Currently we are working on printing and mailing rendition letters for business personal property (BPP).

There being no further business Mr. Beene made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.