

Denton Central Appraisal District 3911 Morse Street Denton, TX 76208



DENTON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

JANUARY 27, 2022

3:00 p.m.

ITEM 1: CONVENING OF MEETING

Charles Stafford convened the meeting at 3:01 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Stafford

David Terre Roy Atwood Alex Buck Ann Pomykal

Michelle French, Ex Officio Member

STAFF PRESENT: Hope McClure, Don Spencer, Kim Collins,

Misty Baptiste, Jon Martin, Windy Nash, Chuck Saling, Mark Sayler, Jenna Simek, David

Steele, Rebecca Townsend

OUTSIDE COUNSEL: David Tabor - Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins

and Mott, LLP

INVITED GUESTS: Joe Longoria and Larry Reeves

ITEM 2: INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Michelle French.

ITEM 3: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was stated to the U.S. Flag and Texas Flag by all who

were present.

ITEM 4: SWEARING IN NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Misty Baptiste administered the Oath of Office to the 2022-2023 Board of Directors.

ITEM 5: ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The floor was opened for nominations for the Officers of the Board of Directors.

David Terre addressed all by speaking about the need for each member to be up for their assigned/given task.

David Terre nominated Charles Stafford for Chairman

Michelle French seconded the motion

Alex Buck nominated Roy Atwood for Chairman

Ann Pomykal seconded the motion

Charles Stafford closed the nominations and called for a vote -

3 Votes for Roy Atwood

2 Votes for Charles Stafford

Roy Atwood was voted in as Board Chairman

Roy Atwood opened the nominations for Vice Chairman

Ann Pomykal nominated Alex Buck

David Terre nominated Charles Stafford

Roy Atwood closed the nominations and called for a vote -

2 votes for Alex Buck

3 votes for Charles Stafford

Charles Stafford is voted in as Board Vice Chairman

Roy Atwood opened the nominations for Secretary

Alex Buck nominated Ann Pomykal

Ann Pomykal is voted in unanimous as Board Secretary

ITEM 6: OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tommy Marshall of Sanger addressed the Board on something he would like to see changed. He would like for the appraisal district to post preliminary changes to values on the website, before the values are certified. Mr. Marshall asked that the appraisal district update values as they are agreed upon, and not wait until they are actually certified by the Chief Appraiser and Appraisal Review Board.

ITEM 7: PROGRESS REPORTS

Joe Longoria, Attorney with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott, was asked to give a Board orientation. He gave a brief history of the Texas Property Tax Code and the reason why Appraisal Districts were created. He informed the two new board members they would need to take the Open Meetings Act and the Public Information Act training within 90 days of taking office. Then he gave an overview of the Do's and Dont's of an Appraisal District Board of Directors.

After the Board's orientation, David Terre presented George Pryor, former Board of Director, with a plaque for his service to the Denton Central Appraisal District Board of Directors over the last four years.

The Chief Appraiser then asked the District staff present (Deputy Chief, Department Managers, Legal and IT) to present and speak to the Board about their roles, their department's responsibilities and the successes and challenges they have faced the last two years.

David Terre spoke to the hard work done by the Chief Appraiser over the last two years of listening to the managers and departments and celebrated the great work Denton CAD has accomplished. David Terre continued to highlight the need for a new facility and more employees. He also acknowledged the challenge in front of the Board of Directors to do their part in helping the District with the growth of the county and the needs that present over the next two years.

Hope McClure presented a powerpoint to the Board of Directors and the Denton County Entities in attendance. She discussed the successes and challenges she has faced over the last two years and where she would like to see the District grow and improve in the next two years.

Larry Reeves from the District's property appraisal software, Harris Govern, spoke to the Board of Directors. He highlighted Harris Govern's desire to grow and continue to improve the software with the growth of Denton County. Larry also spoke about the software conversion to get the District back to Harris Govern, he acknowledged the "heroic work" the District did to make the conversion happen and complemented Hope and Don on their leadership.

After presentations, Roy Atwood called for a break at 6:20 pm. The Board of Directors reconvened at 6:29 pm.

Michelle French felt she needed to address the view from the Tax Assessor/ Collector side of things. She explained to the Board how that the conversion and delays have affected her and her team as well.

ITEM 8: CONSENT AGENDA

THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED SELF-EXPLANATORY BY THE BOARD AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS UNLESS A BOARD MEMBER OR CITIZEN SO REQUEST.

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS
- B. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
- C. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF VALUE CHANGES

Charles Stafford made a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda as submitted. Ann Pomykal seconded the motion. The motion passed and the vote was unanimous.

ITEM 9: CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON PENALTIES AND INTEREST FOR OUTSTANDING 2022 FIRST QUARTER ALLOCATIONS

Kim Collins opened the floor to questions about the first quarter allocations. The District sends out allocations four times a year to the Denton County Taxing Jurisdictions. The District is required by law to report the Taxing Jurisdictions who have either not paid or are late at the time of the next Board Meeting. Prior boards have chosen to waive the penalties and interests on the taxing jurisdictions, but asked the District to track a pattern of habitual offenders.

Charles Stafford made a motion to waive the penalties and interest to the Denton County Taxing Jurisdictions. Alex Buck seconded the motion. The motion passed and the vote was unanimous.

- ITEM 10: ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:
 - A. CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
 - B. DELIBERATION ON PERSONNEL MATTERS

The Board went into executive session at 6:44 pm.

ITEM 11: RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, AS NEEDED

The Board reconvened at 7:56 pm.

ITEM 12: ADJOURN

Chairman, Roy Atwood, adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.