

**MINUTES OF THE GREGG APPRAISAL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

August 29, 2023

Location: GAD Office, 4367 W. Loop 281, Longview, TX

1. Chairman Julie Woods called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. Chairman Julie Woods announced the presence of a quorum. Directors in attendance were Julie Woods, Anthony Tanner, Keith Honey, A.P. Merritt, and Michelle Terry. Not in attendance was Director Vance Freeman. Also attending were Mark Cormier, Patti Coppedge, Berta Fuentes, Marisa Rabadan, and Cathy Hadley.
3. There was no citizen comment.
4. Under the Consent Agenda Minutes for May 16 and Financials for May thru July a motion was made by Director Keith Honey and seconded by Director Anthony Tanner to approve the financials as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Mark Cormier, Chief Appraiser presented to the Board information on the changes regarding Employee Health Care which includes offering a new Platinum HMO Plan that would replace an existing PPO Plan that is not currently being used. He also presented to the Board the option to change from All State Accidental to Sunlife Accidental. A motion was made by Director Anthony Tanner to approve adding the new Platinum HMO Insurance plan, remove the PPO insurance plan not in use, and switch from All State to Sunlife for accidental and seconded by Director Keith Honey. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Resolution 2023-01, Mark Cormier, Chief Appraiser presented to the Board the 2024 Proposed Budget. Mr. Cormier presented proposals from Jodac and Hartmann Construction to reconfigure the office space that currently is designed for four to six. Chairman Julie Woods discussed since the cost of employee health insurance decreased in cost to leave the current amount given to employees at the existing \$800. Mark Cormier, Chief Appraiser presented a proposal of an addition to the current parking lot to increase the number of parking spaces due to safety of property owners crossing the street. Motion was made by Director Keith Honey and seconded by Director Anthony Tanner to approve the 2024 Proposed Budget with the recommended changes making the amount of the 2024 Budget \$3,796,456. Motion carried with Director A. P. Merritt voting against.
7. Chief Appraiser, Mark Cormier presented to the Board the 2023 Certified Values, discussing how they all increased by double digits. He updated the Board regarding the ARB Stats increasing and also recognized the staff for their work this year and introduced Josh Payne, as the Director of Appraisal. Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser updated the Board on the 2023 BOD election. He then updated the Board on the existing litigation and arbitration facing the District. Chief Appraiser, Mark Cormier updated the Board about legislative changes regarding homestead exemptions, taxpayer liaison, future BOD elections and ARB appointments going forward. No action was necessary.
8. There was no Taxpayer Liaison Officer's Report.
9. There were no Section 25.25(b) corrections.
10. The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY