

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

March 27, 2024

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

1. Chairman Keith Honey called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. Chairman Keith Honey announced the presence of a quorum. Directors in attendance were Keith Honey, Anthony Tanner, A.P. Merritt, Jon Cromer, Rev Lonnie Murphy, Michelle Terry, Board Attorney Brett Miller. Also attending were Mark Cormier, Patti Coppedge, Berta Fuentes, Cathy Hadley, Josh Payne, and Marisa Rabadan.
3. There was no citizen comment.
4. Under the Consent Agenda Minutes for January 17th, Financials for January thru February. A motion was made by Director A. P. Merritt and seconded by Director Anthony Tanner to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Director Jon Cromer asked regarding the Entities' quarterly payments. Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser explained the quarterly payment process.
5. Resolution 2024-01, Mark Cormier, Chief Appraiser presented to the Board regarding the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for Political Subdivision. Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser informed the Board that only 3 candidates applied for the 3 Elected Officials position for the Board of Directors. The resolution is necessary to cancel the election since the candidates were unopposed. Director Keith Honey announced the 3 Board of Directors Elected Officials were Mark Smith, Mark Pevey, and Justin Hood. Director Rev. Lonnie Murphy made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-02 and was second by Director Jon Cromer. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser explained to the Board that due to the legislative change Director Michelle Terry, Tax Assessor/Collector will now be a voting member of the Board at the August Board meeting. Director Jon Cromer asked about the requirements for the Elected official position and Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser explained the requirements and explained what the position entailed.
6. Resolution 2024-02, Mark Cormier, Chief Appraiser presented to the Board regarding the Designation of RFP's for the Gregg Appraisal District's Parking Lot. 3 Bids were opened by Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser on Tuesday, March 26th at 11:00 a.m. Jeff Hamilton, a civil engineer was hired as a requirement. Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser informed the board regarding the bid's references review, prices the project would cost, and start and completion dates. Mark gave his recommendation to Bid #1. Director A.P. made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-02 to award the contract for the parking lot to Bid #1. Director Keith Honey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Director Jon Cromer asked regarding the funds for the parking lot project. Chief Appraiser Cormier stated that the funds were out of the operational reserves and the plans to replenish the it at a later date.
7. Chief Appraiser, Mark Cormier updated and discussed with the Board regarding the existing litigation and arbitration facing the District. He explains the process regarding the Appraisal Review Board and the new department that was created that strictly oversees the Appraisal Review Board process due to the increase of protest throughout the years. Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser and Michelle Terry, Tax assessor/Collector explained to the Board regarding settling the lawsuits and how it affects Gregg County. Mr. Cormier, Chief Appraiser informed the Board regarding the Property Value Study and how this year the 3 school districts that were at risk of losing state funding have met the guidelines this year. He also informed the Board regarding the unfunded legislative updates and how it could affect our upcoming budget. Lastly he updated the Board about the refiguration of office space to accommodate 6 staff member instead of 4 that it had previously. No action was necessary.
8. There was no Taxpayer Liaison Officer's Report.
9. There was no Section 25.25(b) correction.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 2:12 p.m. A motion was made by Director A.P. Merritt and seconded by Director Anthony Tanner. Motion carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY