

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
GONZALES CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT
November 16, 2023**

The Board of Directors of the Gonzales Central Appraisal District met on Thursday, November 16, 2023 at the appraisal district office located at 1709 E. Sarah Dewitt Drive, Gonzales, Texas. Board members present were Lauren Clampit, Craig Hines, Sandra Gorden and Bud Box. Also present were John Liford, Chief Appraiser, Nick Rapoza, Deputy Chief Appraiser and Sherian Cleveland, Recording Secretary.

Lauren Clampit, Chairman, declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

The minutes of the October 19, 2023 board meeting were approved upon motion by Bud Box and seconded by Craig Hines.. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The financial report for the month of October was reviewed with the Board. Mr. Liford reported that the district was under budget for the month of October by \$31,339.21 and under budget year to date by \$196,697.06. Sandra Gorden motioned to approve the financial report as presented. Bud Box seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Craig Hines reported that he signed two checks that were presented to him for co-signature.

There were no public comments.

Discussion was held on relocating the appraisal district offices. Mr. Liford reported that he was informed that the City of Gonzales only have two maintenance personnel to work on the proposed offices for the appraisal district and they have removed the south wall that had mold damage and he was informed that the City had Serve Pro go in and clean the carpets.

Following discussion, Craig Hines motioned to approve the transfer of \$20,000 from the 2023 budget category of "Employee Insurance" to the 2023 budget category of "Unforeseen Contingencies" for rent and wiring expenses. Sandra Gorden seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Following discussion, Craig Hines motioned to approve the transfer of \$25,000 from the 2023 budget category of "Appraisal Review Board" to the 2023 budget category of "Unforeseen Contingencies" for moving and other expenses. Sandra Gorden seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board approved the transfer of \$1,075.00 from the 2023 budget category of "Unforeseen Contingencies" to the 2023 budget category of "Capital Expense" for the purchase of four cameras upon motion by Sandra Gorden and seconded by Bud Box. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board approved the transfer of \$400.00 from the 2023 budget category of "Unforeseen Contingencies" to the 2023 budget category of "Janitorial Expense" due to the price increase submitted by the Janitorial Service. Bud Box seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Liford reported that several employees attended the Texas Rural Chief Appraiser's conference and discussed with the Board the increase to \$100,000 on the Homestead exemption and value increases would be capped at 20% for residence homesteads. Mr. Liford reported that by the end of the tax season, employees would need to take a Customer Service class and the appraisers would be required to take the Ethics class.

Mr. Liford also reported that the appraisers were working in the field and homestead exemptions were being processed. Mr. Liford stated that Cliff Davis and Brynn Mann would be attending courses through TAAO and TAAD and Nick Rapoza would be attending courses offered by IAAO.

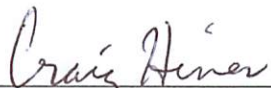
Mr. Liford further reported the appraisal district had won an arbitration for 2023.

Mr. Liford reported on the upcoming Board of Director's election and stated that the Ballot had been sent to the voting taxing entities listing the eleven nominees for the Board of Directors.

As there was no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned.


Chairman, Board of Directors

Attest:


Secretary, Board of Directors