

MINUTES

MARCH 24, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Wilson County Appraisal District Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at the Appraisal District office located at 1611 Railroad Street, Floresville, Texas. Board members present were Robert Gregory, Jim Yanta, Kenneth Castro, and Dawn Barnett. Board members absent were David Deason and James Rethaber. Appraisal District employees present were Chief Appraiser, Jennifer Coldewey; Director of Operations, Rebekah Lerich; and Annette Pfeil. Robert Gregory called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Kenneth Castro opened the meeting with a prayer, followed by all present reciting the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE WILSON COUNTY APPRAISAL

DISTRICT – Robert Gregory called for the election of officers for 2021. Jim Yanta made a motion to nominate Robert Gregory for *Chairman*. Kenneth Castro made a second to the motion. Motion carried. Robert Gregory made a motion to nominate David Deason for *Vice-Chairman*. Jim Yanta made a second to the motion. Motion carried. Robert Gregory made a motion to nominate Jim Yanta for *Secretary*. Kenneth Castro made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

CONSENT AGENDA – Jim Yanta made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Kenneth Castro made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF WILSON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEMBERS – Chairman Robert Gregory appointed David Deason and himself to serve on the *Budget Committee*. Kenneth Castro and Jim Yanta were appointed to serve on the *Building Committee*.

COVID 19 OFFICE UPDATE – Chief Appraiser, Jennifer Coldewey, explained she has spoken with neighboring CADs regarding their plans with COVID 19, and this year's notice and protest season. The Bexar County Chief Appraiser said they plan to stay closed to the public until fall/winter of this year. After much thought and planning, Jennifer Coldewey stated she also has decided to keep the office closed to the public. She stated approximately 25,000 *Notices of Appraised Value* are to be mailed out on or about April 14th. Included with the notices will be detailed information as to how taxpayers can safely file their protests, with multiple options on how to access an informal hearing – telephone, e-mail, or through our online portal. She informed the board members that our updated, internet based phone system will accommodate the volume of phone calls more efficiently also. She feels confident that the Wilson CAD is fully prepared to serve the needs of the taxpayers of this community, during this notice and protest season.

APPROVE UPDATED WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES – Director of Operations, Rebekah Lerich, explained the prior Wildlife Management Use Requirements stated ... *Meet the minimum acreage requirement (15 acres minimum)*. The updated guidelines have been revised to state ... *The tract of land must meet the agricultural qualifications for the district on a stand-alone basis prior to converting to wildlife management. A tract of land reduced in size since the previous tax year must meet a minimum acreage requirement of 15 acres.* The board members discussed the guidelines and revisions. Kenneth Castro made a motion to approve the updated *Wildlife Management Guidelines*. Jim Yanta made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

LITIGATION UPDATE – The board members reviewed the Litigation Status Report for 2021. During the past year, six (6) cases were closed on behalf of the Wilson County Appraisal District. To date, there is only one (1) active lawsuit.

PRESENTATION OF APPRAISAL ROLL CORRECTION REPORT FOR THE FIRST QUARTER 2021 AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 25.25(b), TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE – Jennifer Coldewey reported no corrections.

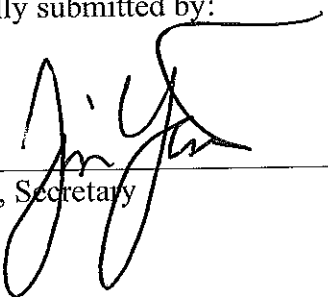
CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT – The Chief Appraiser's Report included ... A new appraiser, with a certified RPA license, was hired; Another appraiser now has his certified RPA license. The *Assistant Chief Appraiser* position has been divided into two (2) new Management positions ... *Director of Operations*, Rebekah Lerich, and *Director of Appraisal*, Ronald Rebeck. Pursuant to the *Texas Tax Code*, District Judge, Russell Wilson, selected Jon Sunday as *Chairman of the Appraisal Review Board*; and Doug Wildenstein as *Secretary of the Appraisal Review Board*. The Wilson CAD passed the *MAPS* review by the state with a 100% rating.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS – None.

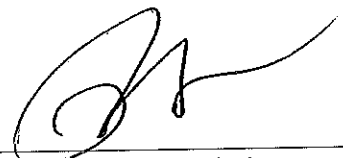
The next meeting date was discussed and will be scheduled when needed.

Being there was no further business, Jim Yanta made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kenneth Castro made a second to the motion. Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Jim Yanta, Secretary
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Robert Gregory, Chairman