

MINUTES OF MEETING:



REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
STARR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
100 N FM 3167 STE 300
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS 78582

May 12, 2020

NOTICE was duly posted that on the 12th day of May 2020 the Starr County Appraisal District Board of Directors would hold a Board of Directors meeting at 12:00 p.m., 100 N FM 3167 Suite 300, Rio Grande City, Texas, to consider the below listed items:

AGENDA

ITEM A: CALL TO ORDER - Mr. Raul Pena III, Chairman of the Board, determined a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

ITEM C: CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Raul Pena III, Chairman
Eloy Garza, Director
~~Clarissa B. Alvarez~~
Eleazar Velasquez
Daria "Dr. B." Babineaux
Ameida Salinas, Non-Voting Director

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Clarissa B. Alvarez

OTHERS PRESENT: Rene Montalvo, Legal Counsel
Rosalva Guerra, Chief Appraiser
Marissa R. Longoria, Finance Director

ITEM D: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MEETING NOTICE- Board of Directors acknowledged meeting notice. Accepted for the record as a duly called and noticed meeting.

ITEM E: RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

ITEM F: PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. PRESENTATION BY WARDLAW APPRAISAL ON STARR COUNTY COUNTY 2020 MINERAL VALUATION.** – Was cancelled due to the coronavirus.
- 2. STARR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 2019 PRESENTED BY AUDITORS: OSCAR R. GONZALEZ, CPA & ASSOCIATES, PLLC CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROPERTY TAX CODE 6.063.** – Postpone.

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ITEM G: ACTION ITEMS:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JANUARY 21, 2020.** – Director Eloy Garza made a motion to approve minutes from meeting of January 21, 2020. Director Dr. Daria Babineaux seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH, & APRIL 2020** - Director Eloy Garza made a motion to approve disbursements for January, February, March & April 2020. Director Eleazar Velasquez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
3. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE 2019 LINE ITEM CHANGES TO THE 2019 STARR COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET TO COMPLY WITH AUDIT REQUIREMENTS.** - Director Eloy Garza made a motion to approve 2019 Line item changes to the budget to comply with audit requirements. Director Dr. Daria Babineaux second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION WHEREBY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZED AND GRANTS APPROVAL TO THE CHIEF APPRAISER TO DISCUSS AND OR FORWARD ANY AND ALL CORRESPONDANCE REQUIRD BY APPLICABLE LAW AND RELEVANT REULATIONS TO ORIFGINATE FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO THE TAXING UNITS OF THIS DISTRICT.** – Director Eloy Garza made a motion to approve the action granting authorization to the Chief Appraiser and the Starr County Appraisal District pursuant to the motion, whereby the board of directors expressly authorize and grants approval to the Chief Appraiser and the Starr County Appraisal District to discuss and to forward all correspondence that is or may be required by applicable law and regulation. Director Eleazar Velasquez second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM H: REPORTS

1. **APPRAISAL DISTRICT ACTIVITIES- Chief Appraiser presented Board with the following reports:**
 1. Mrs. Guerra presented the 2021 Proposed budget to the Board of Directors.
 2. June 3, 2020 will be the first ARB Protest Hearing
 3. Cyber Security Training need to have it by June 14, 2020, we are already doing it.
 4. Artemio Perez had a vehicle accident on the Starr County Appraisal District Ford Expedition.
 5. Two ARB Members that have not taking the ARB Training, they have already taken it. They are ready.

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AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 55.071(S) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THIS MEETING MAY BE CONVENED INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEEKING CONFIDENTIAL LEGAL ADVICE FROM THE GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL ON ANY AGENDA ITEM LISTED HEREIN.

ITEM I: ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business before the Board, Director Eleazar Velasquez made a motion to adjourn the meeting and said motion was seconded by Director Dr. Daria Babineaux. Motion was unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

Board Minutes Approved this 16th day of June, 2020.



Raul Pena III, Chairman



Dr. Daria Babineaux, Secretary