



## REGULAR MEETING

January 9, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Orange County Appraisal District met in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 9, 2018, at 6:00 pm. The meeting took place at the district's office at 9157 IH 10, East, Orange, Texas.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Tim Andrews; Karen Fisher; Tim Schossow

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Hughie Allen; Laura Floyd

CHIEF APPRAISER: Michael Cedars

ATTORNEY: Phillip Brent

VISITORS: None

### **ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

*Tim Schossow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Scott Overton led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation.*

#### **II.**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*No public comments.*

#### **III. REPORT AND/OR ACTION ITEMS**

##### 1. Board Members Oath of Office.

*Attorney Phillip Brent administered the Oath of Office to Tim Andrews, Karen Fisher and Tim Schossow. No motion necessary.*

##### 2. Election of Officers for the Board of Directors.

*After discussion the Board agreed to have Tim Schossow remain as Chairman, Tim Andrews would take the position as Vice Chairman and Karen Fisher would take the position as Secretary. No motion necessary.*

#### **IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

##### a. Discuss Replacing Chief Appraiser for the Appraisal District.

*Entered into executive session at 6:08 pm, reconvened regular meeting at 6:26 pm.*

## V. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

3. Discuss and /or Appoint the New Chief Appraiser for the District as of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.  
*Tim Schossow made a motion to appoint the current Deputy Chief Appraiser Scott Overton as the New Chief Appraiser for the District beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Tim Andrews seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.*
4. Discuss and /or Appoint One (1) New Appraisal Review Board Members for 2018-2019.  
*The District has not received any new applications for the ARB position. Tim Schossow requested that we postpone this till the March Board of Directors meeting. No motion necessary.*
5. Discuss and /or Elect officers for the Appraisal Review Board.  
*After discussion, Karen Fisher made a motion to elect Joe Williamson as Chairman and James Sears as Secretary for the Appraisal Review Board. A resolution was signed.*
6. Discuss and /or Award Bid for One (1) New Automobile for the District.  
*After reviewing the bid received from Sabine River Ford, Tim Andrews made a motion to award the bid for a 2018 Ford Focus from Sabine River Ford. Karen Fisher seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.*
7. Discuss and /or Award Bid for Audit Firm for 2017 Financial Audit.  
*Karen Fisher made a motion to hire Mitchell T Fontenote CPA, Inc. to perform the 2017 Audit of the Districts Financial Records. Tim Andrews seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.*
8. Discuss and Determine who will be Attending the 2018 TAAD Conference.  
*After Discussion, Tim Andrews, Karen Fisher and Tim Schossow committed to attending the 2018 TAAD Conference. No motion necessary.*
9. Discuss and /or Elect Delegate and Alternate for the 2018 TAAD Conference.  
*Mike Cedars will be the Delegate and Scott Overton the Alternate for 2018 TAAD Conference. Karen Fisher made the motion, Tim Andrews seconded it and it passed unanimously.*
10. Discuss Re-Appointing Two (2) Agricultural Advisory Board Members by Chief Appraiser.  
*After discussion, the Chief Appraiser chose to reappoint Robert Armstrong and Dan Harris for another term on the Agricultural Advisory Board. No motion necessary.*
11. Discuss and / or Approve Minutes of Thursday, November 7, 2017 Regular Meeting.  
*Karen Fisher made a motion to approve the minutes for Thursday, November 7, 2017 Regular Meeting, seconded by Tim Schossow. All motions passed unanimously.*
12. Discuss and / or Approve the October, November, December 2016 Bills for the Appraisal District  
*Karen Fisher made a motion to approve the October, November, December 2017 Bills for the Appraisal District. Tim Andrews seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*
13. Discuss and / or Approve the End of Year 2017 Financial Report.

*Karen Fisher made a motion to approve the Year to Date 2017 Financial Reports. Tim Andrews seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

**VI. REPORT OF BOARD MEMBERS**

*No Comments*

**VII. REPORT OF CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

*Tim Schossow suggested the District look into setting up a booth at the upcoming Bassmasters tournament in Orange.*

**VIII. REPORT OF ATTORNEY**

*Phillip Brent reported that we have two settlement conferences scheduled in February for the LaQuinta and Best Western hotel lawsuits.*

**IX. REPORT OF CHIEF APPRAISER**

*Mike Cedars reported that he is extremely pleased with the decision to hire Mr. Scott Overton as his replacement in April. He also reported that the District is getting a fairly good response to the Hurricane Harvey Questionnaires that were mailed out to the county.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Mr. Tim Schossow adjourned the meeting at 7:13 pm.*

**APPROVAL:**

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Tim Schossow, Chair of the Board

**ATTESTED:**

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Laura Floyd, Secretary of the Board