The Nueces County Appraisal District Board of Directors held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 in the Board Room at 201 N. Chaparral, Corpus Christi, Texas.

REGULAR MEETING

1. Invocation

The invocation was led by Ken Combs.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board of Directors

3. Roll Call of the Board of Directors

DIRECTORS:

Jerry Garcia, Chairman Present Ramiro Canales, Chief Appraiser Present
Luis A. Elizondo, Vice-Chairman Present Robert Cenci, Asst. Chief Appraiser Present
Jose J. Guzman, Secretary Absent Tom Wheat, General Counsel Present
Robert Adler Present
John Valls Present
Kevin Kleschnick Present
Eugene Bouligny Present
Greg Smith Absent

4. Call to Order and Determination of a Quorum. The meeting of the Nueces County Appraisal District Board of Directors will be called to order at 9:07 A.M. and let the record show that a quorum of the Board Members was present; that this meeting has been duly called; and that notice of this meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Tex. Gov't Code § 551, (Vernon Supp. 2009) and that any conflict of interest affidavits had been received and placed on file as required by law.

5. VISITOR'S/AUDIENCE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

No visitors or comments from the audience.
6. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

a) Approval of the minutes of the February 11, 2015 Regular meeting and Workshop; motion was made by Mr. Bouligny to approve the February 11, 2015 regular and workshop minutes. Mr. Adler seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b) Approval of the February 2015 Litigation Report; motion was made by Mr. Elizondo to approve litigation report. Mr. Valls seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

c) Approval of the February 2015 Disbursements; motion was made by Mr. Valls to approve the February 2015 disbursements. Mr. Adler seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

d) Personnel update Ms. Garcia, Manager of Administration reported that the district had an opening for an Appraiser in Commercial/Land and that job opening has been published in the Caller Times.

7. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION RELATED TO THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2015.

Ms. Sandra Garcia, Manager of Administration, reported that the District’s investment were at Frost Bank and TexPool. Motion was made by Mr. Kieschnick to approve the Investment Policy for 2015. Mr. Bouligny seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8. DISCUSSION REGARDING STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Mr. Valls and Mr. Kieschnick reported that there are several bills that have been filed and that there are two in particular that affects the Appraisal District. One of the bills would move the tax calendar which will shorten the calendar by a full month for all appraisals. Another bill will remove the Tax Assessor Ex-Officio from the Board of Directors and will reduce the board members. Mr. Kieschnick and Mr. Valls will be going to Austin to meet with Todd Hunter and Chuey Hinojosa to discuss some of the bills.

9. MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 AND 551.074:

Board members went into executive close session at 9:42 a.m.

10. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION RELATIVE TO ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Board members return into open session at 10:40 a.m.
No action taken
11. **TAXPAYER LIAISON OFFICER’S REPORT.**

Mr. Ken Combs, Taxpayer Liaison Officer, reported that there is a conflict of interest with one of the new ARB members. The new member is in the City’s Ethic Commission. Mr. Combs is waiting for written response from the ARB attorney.

ARB monthly meeting is changed to the second Thursday of each month. Mr. Combs also asked the board for approval to purchase projector for his presentations and the board approved. He will have a presentation on March 20th with the West Rotary Club and Mr. Canales would like a script of his presentation.

Mr. Combs provided the website [www.taad.org/conference.html](http://www.taad.org/conference.html) and they can get informative handouts from the conference.

12. **CHIEF APPRAISER’S REPORT.**

- On April 23rd TY Pickett will be having and entity meeting on oil, gas and minerals.
- Mail outs for 2015 Reappraisal notices will start April 3rd and there will be 170,000 plus notices going out by April.
- During May, the District personnel will travel to three different locations within the county to assist taxpayers with their protest. The district will be going to Port Aransas, Padre Island and North West (Fair Grounds) so that the taxpayers can go to that location and don’t have to come to the district office.
- Kim Johnson submitted her letter of resignation from the board of Directors. A special election is underway to fill the vacancy. The newly elected member should be sworn in next month.
- The 3rd floor is almost complete

13. **SUGGESTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA.**

- Update Comptroller’s Compliance
- Mr. Canales Contract
- Legislative report

14. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion was made by Mr. Valls to adjourn. Mr. Adler seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

**SIGNED:**

Jose J. Guzman, Secretary

Ramiro "Ronnie" Canales, Chief Appraiser