WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NUECE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Nueces County Appraisal District held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 in the board room, Nueces County Appraisal District building, 201 North Chaparral Street, Corpus Christi, Texas.

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Irene Lugo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of Allegiance was led by Board of Directors

ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS: 
John Valls, Chairman Present
Luis Elizondo, Vice-Chairman Absent
Leo Gonzalez, Secretary Present
Robert Adler Present
Armando Chapa Present
Gabrielle Hilpold Present
Jerry Garcia Present
Rex A. Kinnison Present
Kevin Kieschnick, Ex Officio Absent

NON-DIRECTORS: 
Ramiro Canales, Chief Appraiser Present
Don Causey, Asst. Chief Appraiser Present
Tom Wheat, General Counsel Present
Robert Maupin, TLO Present

Kieschnick in Austin on District-related legislative business.

CALL TO ORDER & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Nueces County Appraisal District was called to order at 9:03 am. A quorum of the Board Members was present; this meeting has been duly called; and notice of this meeting has been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code 551 and that any conflict of interest affidavits have been received and placed on file as required by law.
PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

WORKSHOP ON 2019 PROPOSED BUDGET

Mr. Canales presented an overview of the 2019 proposed budget, indicating that the budget represents an increase of $304,191 or 3.83% from the 2018 budget. The major changes include $50,000 for the TY Picket contract since the rates have increased for some years while the work has expanded; $176,000 for a 4% cost-of-living increase for employees; $101,000 to fund two new appraiser positions; $41,000 of increased funding for vehicles which include two trucks in 2019; and several decreases in various line items. The litigation fund will continue to be maintained at $500,000. Mr. Chapa asked if the 4% is applied to each employee. Mr. Canales responded that the total is divided among each employee evenly at about $1,800 per employee and that it would be applied to all but the Chief Appraiser and seasonal temporary employees.

There was also discussion about how the funding needed would impact the funding entities in light of expected property value decreases in the areas most impacted by last year’s hurricane. Mr. Sissamis explained that unlike prior years, the proposed budget includes an attempt to forecast the actual expected certified values and tax levies in order to provide reasonable estimates to the entities. He also stated that staff from various funding entities had been consulted with during the budget’s development.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:51 am.

SIGNED:

Leo Gonzalez, Secretary