## REGULAR MEETING April 30, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Morris County Appraisal District met in regular session on Thursday, April 30, 2020 in the conference room of the Morris County Appraisal District, 501 Crockett Street, Suite 1, Daingerfield, TX. Members present were, Danny Lilley, Ray Thigpen, Scott Pollan & Ginger Smith. Others present: Summer Golden, Chief Appraiser.

### CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lilley called the meeting to order at 12 o'clock PM & announced a quorum present. No public was present to comment.

### OATH & OFFICERS:

Member Thigpen was sworn into office for 2020-2021 by Chief Appraiser Golden.

## **HB490 CERTIFICATION:**

Golden explained the Certification is stating that the members & herself are not related & that they do not have delinquent taxes. Members present & Golden executed that they are in compliance to HB490.

#### MINUTES:

On motion by Thigpen, seconded by Smith & approved by all, it was moved to approve the January 30, 2020 Minutes.

# 2021 BUDGET WORKSHOP:

Golden stated that the 2021 is based on actual cost from the prior year and current contract cost. We must adopt our budget prior to knowing what some increases will be for 2021; however, we will utilize contingency, if needed. Golden went through the budget & stated there was not an increase or decrease in the Appraisal Budget & the Collections Budget was increased by \$280 for the audit expense. Golden also explained the Reserves for Legal & Mapping/Technology. After a brief discussion, Golden stated she'd send the Budget to the Entity's prior to adoption.

## **EXPENDITURES & FINANCIALS:**

January - March Expenditures & Financials were reviewed & discussed.

## CHIEF APPARAISER REPORTS:

Golden went through the 2019 PVS Results & stated that Daingerfield-Lone Star is in first year grace, Pewitt received local value. She stated when the results came in she worked on finding any way possible to appeal DFLS ISD results; however, the State had data that unfortunately the District did not have. She stated she relies on buyers & sellers to give her information & the amount of information received is a very low percentage which really hurts us in market areas. The Commercial properties were worked off the Income approach which typically produces a higher value than the cost approach; however, I get very little income information from the surveys sent annually. I did have a workshop with the DFLS ISD to provide the knowledge on the study and inform them that values would increase for 2020. Lilley asked to place an informative page in the paper & Golden stated that she had & that each Notice of Appraised Value would have a letter in it as well.

Golden stated, Notices will be mailed tomorrow for the market value as of January 1, 2020. Chief Appraisers across the State as well as myself have urged relief for taxpayers from the Governor because of the Economic Crisis caused by C-19; however, no change was granted. Due to the Crisis, there will not be any in person informal or formal meetings & we will offer telephone hearings for formal. Any formal hearings that want a face to face, will be scheduled at a later time.

Also, she informed the members the lobby will continue to be closed for now & we will operate in accordance to the State/Local mandates & follow the CDC & OSHA requirements.

### ADJOURN:

On motion by Pollan, seconded by Thigpen & approved by all, meeting was adjourned.

CHAIRMAN/VICE

SECRETARY/MEMBER

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