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OF THE

PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE 2023 PROPOSED BUDGET & 2023-2024 REAPPRAISAL PLAN AUGUST 9, 2022

Meeting called to order by Mr. John Curlee at 8:40 am.

Item #1. Invocation was delivered by Mr. Robert Cenci.

Item #2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Curlee.

Item #3. Texas Pledge Led was led by Mr. Curlee.

Item #4. Roll Call: Mr. John Curlee, Dr. Anne Matula, Ms. Marcy Thormaehlen and Ms. Joan McKaughan attended in person.

Absent: Mr. Bill Wilson & Ms. Melinda Garza.

Also, in attendance; Mr. Robert Cenci - Chief Appraiser, Ms. Shirley Madej - Assistant Chief Appraiser, and Ms. Julie Overstreet - Recording Secretary.

Item #5. Public Comment - Ms. Marcy Thormaehlen discussed what took place at the commissioner's court public meeting yesterday. She stated that within the budget that was discussed they proposed a step up for the employees on the salary survey to bring them up to mid-range. The auditor calculated that to be about a 6% increase. They are also proposing a 6% cost of living raise as well. This will total a 12% increase for the employee. This was incorporated into the budget. It was calculated that it would be about \$900,000.00. This increase was to stay within the market. Elected officials are proposed to receive a 7% increase.

Item #6. Pursuant to Section 6.06 (b) of the Texas Property Tax Code. the San Patricio County Appraisal District (SPCAD) will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING to consider The SPCAD proposed 2023 Budget. Mr. Cenci discussed a change compared to what was presented to the board back in June. The board had decided that the Appraisal Review Board needed two additional members. A resolution was executed so we changed the budget to support that. He asked that they look at page 2 of the budget, line item 64, that line item was increased by \$26,000.00 to pay for two additional board members, \$200.00 dollars per day per diem estimating 60 days of duty. The overall total percent of increase of the budget is now at 10.9, initially it was at 9.9. Back in June the legal item was discussed to separate them into two-line items for the day-to-day legal expenses and the litigation fund / committed fund but after deep discussion amongst himself Shirley and Melinda and checking with the auditors we decided that there was no real necessity to split it out. Under the current policy, we deplete the line item first the turn around and eventually squares up with the committed fund money that we have set aside.

Item #7. Pursuant to Section 25.18 and 6.05 (i) of the Texas Property Tax code, the San Patricio County Appraisal District (SPCAD) will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING to consider the SPCAD proposed Reappraisal Plan for Tax Years 2023-2024.

Mr. Cenci stated the reappraisal plan has not changed in a material way. We are still on a three-year cycle. The language is the same, but section 25.18 requires that the board of directors develop a written plan for the reappraisal of all properties in the district. Section 6.05 (i) requires that the board approves it before September 15th. He stated that he hoped to get the plan approved at the regular BOD meeting today. Mr. Cenci also stated that tax year 2023 was going to be very busy as Odem, Aransas Pass and Ingleside are experiencing growth. Dr. Matula stated that level of detail on pages 9 thru 13 was impressive. Dr. Matula asked if the reappraisal plan was required to be posted on our website. Mr. Cenci stated it is not required but that it is available on the appraisal district website.

Item #8. Meeting Adjourned: 9:20 am

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