

FREESTONE COUNTY APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD

Minutes of January 12, 2023

Meeting #2023-1

The Freestone County Appraisal Review Board met in the meeting room of the Freestone Central Appraisal District, located at 218 N. Mount Street, Fairfield, Texas. Board members present were Chairman Eric Samford, Ron Brokmeyer, Butch Hansel, and Fred Beagles Jr. Representing the appraisal district were Don Awalt, Chief Appraiser; Jason Moore, Deputy Chief Appraiser; Carol Clark, ARB Clerk.

Mr. Eric Samford, chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Samford asked Mr. Awalt to show proof of the posting of public notice of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government. Mr. Awalt stated that the agenda was posted on the district's front door and on the website on January 6, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. which meets the 72 hours of a public meeting.

Oath of Office was administered to Mr. Butch Hansel, Mr. Fred Beagles Jr., and Mr. Ron Brokmeyer by Ms. Carol Clark, notary.

Mr. Samford asked that each board member state their name for the record. With Mr. Brokmeyer, Mr. Hansel, Mr. Beagles and Mr. Samford present, he declared a quorum of the board was present.

The board considered the minutes of the meeting held on December 15, 2022. Mr. Brokmeyer made a motion to approve the minutes of December 15, 2022. Mr. Samford seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The board discussed Item VI Consideration and Action on Adopting Dates for 2023 Meetings. Mr. Awalt briefly reviewed each date set for the ARB to meet and hear protests reminding the board that they had an option to change their meeting days if they wish. After brief discussion the board agreed to meet on the following dates.

| Date | Time | ARB Meeting |
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| March 16, 2023 | 1:00 PM | First Quarterly Meeting - Adopt 2023 Hearing Rules & Procedures. |
| April 11, 2023 | 1:00 PM | Continuing Education Training in District's Boardroom (Mr. Samford Mr. Brokmeyer, and Mr. Ratcliff) |
| April 13, 2023 | 8:00 AM | New Member Training in District's Boardroom (Mr. Hansel and Mr Beagles Jr.). |
| May 25, 2023 | 1:00 PM | ARB Accept 2023 Appraisal Records |
| June 6, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| June 8, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| June 13, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| June 15, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| June 20, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| June 22, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| June 27, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| June 29, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| July 6, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| July 11, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| July 13, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| July 18, 2023 | 9:00 AM | Taxpayer Protest Hearings |
| September 19, 2023 | 1:00 PM | Third Quarter Meeting |
| December 12, 2023 | 1:00 PM | Fourth Quarter Meeting |

Mr. Brokmeyer made a motion to adopt the dates for the 2023 meetings. Mr. Beagles seconded the motion. Motion carried.


Consideration and action were taken on the Chief Appraiser's ARB Approved Changes for the fourth Quarter 2022. Mr. Awalt proceeded to present his report stating that there was a second front page to be signed for mineral changes. He explained to the board that the minerals were not loaded in the district's program to be submitted to both the ARB and the board of directors by January 10. Mr. Awalt pointed out the list of years affected on the real estate recap on the second page of the report. The list included a number of changes which were mostly late homesteads, and taxpayers who forgot to file a homestead. There was also changes for homestead linking and parcels that were combined. He then reviewed the mineral change report on the screen during his presentation as it was more than 600 pages.

After brief discussion, Mr. Brokmeyer made a motion to approve the Chief Appraiser's ARB Approved Changes for the Fourth Quarter 2022 for both Real Estate and Mineral changes. A second was made by Mr. Hansel. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no public comment, and no further business Mr. Hansel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:34 p.m., with a second by Mr. Beagles Jr. The motion carried.



Chairman



Secretary