

FREESTONE COUNTY APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD

Minutes of July 9, 2020

Meeting #2020-7

The Freestone County Appraisal Review Board met at the Johnson Activity Center located on the Fairfield ISD High School Campus at 631 Post Oak Road, Fairfield, Texas. Board members present were Chairman Ann Gokey, Secretary Wain Glass, M J Alford, Eric Samford, Wesley Ratcliff, and alternate member Ron Brokmeyer. Representing the appraisal district were Bud Black, Chief Appraiser; Don Awalt, Deputy Chief Appraiser; and, Melissa Marberry.

Ms. Gokey, chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Ms. Gokey requested proof of the posting of public notice of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government. Mr. Black pointed out that the notice was posted by Ms. Clark on the website and the office front door well in advance of the required seventy-two-hour notice of the public meeting. Mr. Black added that included on the agenda were links to the YouTube broadcast and a toll-free phone number providing the public the ability to attend the meeting virtually.

Mr. Black verified that the Appraisal Review Board was in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order to meet under special provisions limiting the number of people in a public meeting to follow the social distancing guidelines.

Ms. Gokey asked that each board member state their name for the record and declared a quorum of the board present.

Ms. Gokey called for the consideration of the minutes from the ARB's meeting on July 7, 2020. There was a motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford, that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.

Mr. Black informed Ms. Gokey that there were no unscheduled protests to be heard by the board at this time.

Ms. Gokey then continued the meeting with Agenda Item VIII – Scheduled Taxpayer protests and the Board then considered protests for these cases with the following results:

Case Number	Hearing Time	Property Owner	Action Taken
202000126	10:00 a.m.	Schmidt Lea Ann Harris	No Change
202000006	10:00 a.m.	Scott Larry Don & Brenda Jean	Dismissed for Failure to Appear at 10:52 a.m. after verifying that there had been no contact with the property owner. Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford. Motion carried.
202000008	10:00 a.m.	Ward Wiley F Est.	Dismissed for Failure to Appear at 10:52 a.m. after verifying that there had been no contact with the property owner. Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford. Motion carried.
202000010	11:00 a.m.	McGowan Pamala Deniese Day	Hearing postponed so that CAD has the opportunity to review the property owner's evidence.

With all other hearings for the morning cancelled or settled, Ms. Gokey adjourned the meeting until 1:30 p.m.

At 1:30 p.m., Ms. Gokey reconvened the ARB meeting, with all members present to consider the following cases:


Case Number	Hearing Time	Property Owner	Action Taken
2020000038	1:30 p.m.	Price Larry B & Nina K	Changed
2020000036	1:30 p.m.	Price Jeffrey B	Settled outside of hearing

Case Number	Hearing Time	Property Owner	Action Taken
202000118 202000119	5:30 p.m.	Dodge William & Rebecca	Dismissed for Failure to Appear at 6:50 p.m. after verifying that there had been no contact with the property owner. Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass. Motion carried.
202000163	6:30 p.m.	Farrell Robert C Life Estate	Dismissed for Failure to Appear at 6:51 p.m. after verifying that there had been no contact with the property owner. Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass. Motion carried.


Ms. Gokey then inquired from Mr. Black if there were any unscheduled protests to be heard. Mr. Black reported that there were none.

There was no public comment.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.



 Chairman



 Secretary