

FREESTONE COUNTY APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD

Minutes of September 10, 2020

Meeting #2020-15

The Freestone County Appraisal Review Board met meeting room of the Freestone Central Appraisal District, located at 218 N. Mount Street, Fairfield, Texas. Board members present were Chairman Ann Gokey, Secretary Wain Glass, Eric Samford, M J Alford, Wesley Ratcliff, and Ron Brokmeyer, alternate ARB member. 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 10:03 a.m.

Ms. Gokey requested proof of the posting of public notice of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government.

Mr. Black reported that Ms. Clark had posted the agenda on both the appraisal district website and the front door of the district's office on September 3, 2020, at 10:30 a.m., well in advance of the required seventy-two-hour notice of the public meeting.

Mr. Black verified that the Appraisal Review Board and those attending the meeting were 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. With all members present, she declared a quorum of the board was present.

The minutes of the August 13, 2020 meeting were presented to the board for review. Ms. Gokey pointed out that there were errors on two cases listed in the minutes for that day:

- Case 202000502 – Anderson Thomas & Loretta – there was no recorded action on the motion made; and,
- Case 202000321 – Zachry James & Teresa – there was no recorded action on the motion made.

Mr. Black was instructed to make corrections to the minutes for the board's consideration during the afternoon session.

The next item on the agenda was the consideration of Motions to Correct the Appraisal Roll made by:

- Krishana Corp A TX Corp - 202000724
- Kashinath LLC - 202000725
- Parmaltma Corp - 202000726

Mr. Black explained that these property owners were incorrectly listed on today's agenda and were scheduled to be considered during the board's meeting on September 17, 2020. There was then a motion by Mr. Samford that was seconded by Ms. Alford that there be no action taken regarding these three cases today. Motion carried.

Ms. Gokey then called for consideration of Agenda Item VI regarding requests for hearings. Mr. Black reported that there were none to be considered by the board at this time.

Ms. Gokey then called for consideration and action on Agenda Item IX regarding unscheduled taxpayer protests. Mr. Black reported that there were none.

The board then continued with its agenda with Agenda Item VIII – Consideration and Action on Scheduled Taxpayer Protests with the following results:

Case Number	Scheduled Hearing Time	Property Owner	Action Taken
202000592	10:00 am	BEARD MARY E	Property owner and appraisal district agreed to settle during the hearing. No board action taken.
202000251	10:00 am	MYERS DONALD JASON	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 10:27 a.m. Motion carried.
202000176	11:00 am	PACELEY FRED & ALMA	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 11:22 a.m. Motion carried.
202000032	11:00 am	POWELL DEBRA	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 11:23 a.m. Motion carried.
202000135	11:00 am	REDMON RICKEY D	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 11:23 a.m. Motion carried.

At 11:23 p.m. Ms. Gokey adjourned the meeting for a lunch break.

At 1:30 p.m., the board reconvened the meeting with Chairman Ann Gokey, Secretary Wain Glass, Eric Samford, M J Alford, Wesley Ratcliff, and alternate board member Ron Brokmeyer in attendance.

The board then considered protests for these cases with the following results:

Case Number	Scheduled Hearing Time	Property Owner	Action Taken
202000429	1:30 p.m.	BENAVIDES RICHARD JR & BETTY R	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 1:54 p.m. Motion carried.
202000608	1:30 p.m.	CLARK RICHARD & JACKIE	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 1:54 p.m. Motion carried.
202000010	1:30 p.m.	MCGOWAN PAMALA DENIESE DAY	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 1:54 p.m. Motion carried.

Ms. Gokey then called for action on the Minutes from the August 13, 2020 meeting with changes by Mr. Black as instructed earlier by the board. After reviewing the corrected minutes, there was a motion by Mr. Samford that was seconded by Mr. Ratcliff that the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Ms. Gokey then stated that she had just learned that Ms. McGowan (Case 202000010) called and stated that she had been waiting on a call from the appraisal district rather than calling in herself at the scheduled time. Ms. Gokey requested that the board change its ruling where it had dismissed the case for failure to appear earlier. There was then a motion by Mr. Samford that was seconded by Mr. Glass, that Ms. McGowan be allowed to reschedule her hearing to another time. Motion carried.


The board then continued its consideration of taxpayer filed protests with the following results:

Case Number	Scheduled Hearing Time	Property Owner	Action Taken
202000102	2:30 pm	BRICCO BRUCE A & PAMELA A	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 2:52 p.m. Motion carried.
202000052	2:30 pm	ROGERS BILLY	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 2:52 p.m. Motion carried.


Case Number	Scheduled Hearing Time	Property Owner	Action Taken
202000412	2:30 pm	STEPHENSON GORDON & PENNY	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 2:52 p.m. Motion carried.
202000252	3:30 pm	MYERS JASON	Property owner stated that they were in agreement with the value placed on the parcel that was the subject of this protest. Mr. Black asked Ms. Myers to sign and return the settlement and waiver form that Ms. Bowden was sending to Mr. Myers.
202000251		MYERS DONALD JASON	There was a motion by Mr. Samford, that was seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be reinstated and that the case be heard by the board today. Motion carried. After the evidence was presented, there was a motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Ms. Alford that the value remain unchanged. Motion carried.
202000283	4:30 pm	SKINNER DENNIS & MARSHA	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 4:59 p.m. Motion carried.
202000284	4:30 pm	SKINNER MARSHA	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 4:59 p.m. Motion carried.
202000453	5:30 pm	COUFAL DUSTIN & BRIGIT	Motion by Mr. Samford, seconded by Mr. Glass that the case be dismissed for failure to appear at 6:02 p.m. Motion carried.
202000229	5:30 pm	GILLESPIE LOVIE & FRANCES	Changed.
202000311 202000423	6:30 pm	SUTTON ALVIN LEE	Property owner and appraisal district agreed to settle during the hearing. No board action taken.

After all hearings on the schedule had been addressed by the board, Ms. Gokey called for public comment. There was none.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.



 Chairman



 Secretary