MINUTES OF AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING COLEMAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

The Agricultural Advisory Board of the Coleman County Appraisal District met on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, in the Appraisal District Office located at 105 S. Commercial Ave., Coleman, Texas.

The meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 1:05 p.m.

Present: Rachel Douglass, Jack Knox, Kevin McMahon, Curtis Skelton, and appraisal district staff Eva Bush and Jayme Hawley.

Organize Board and Appoint Chairman: Jack Knox made the motion to appoint Kevin McMahon as chairman with a second by Curtis Skelton. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the October 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the October 9, 2024 meeting were read. Jack Knox made the motion to approve the minutes with a second by Rachel Douglass. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: No one was present.

Discussion and Completion of the 2025 Farm and Ranch Survey: Eva Bush asked if all members of the Board had each received the Farm and Ranch Survey Instructional Guide sent to them prior to the meeting and all members indicated the receipt of the instructional guide. The 2025 Farm and Ranch Survey was then discussed and each board member completed the survey.

Discussion of agricultural leases and hunting leases was held. The Board members indicated that the lease amounts for the cropland schedules were about \$30/acre and that improved and native pasture averaged around \$10/acre. The poorest native pastureland needed to be lower than \$10/acre. Hunting leases seem to average around \$15/acre. There were many hunting leases around the county much higher. While filling out the survey the Board seemed to think that \$2/acre for brush control was fair, but hard to equate since the owner actually paid for all brush control. It is hard to equate this expense in a lease.

There were some questions and discussion about intensity standards and Eva Bush explained that those questions were addressed in the local Ag Intensity Standards.

The Board did not advise any changes to the agricultural use categories.

Eva Bush reminded Jack Knox and Kevin McMahon that their term ends at the end of the year and asked if they would be willing to serve another term. Both indicated that they were willing to serve another term.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m. on a motion by Jack Knox and a second to the motion by Curtis Skelton. The motion passed unanimously.

Eva Bush, Chief Appraiser

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