MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING COLEMAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Coleman County Appraisal District met on Wednesday, July 30, 2025, in the Appraisal District Office located at 105 S. Commercial Ave., Coleman, Texas.

Call to Order: Jay Dalton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

Present: Jay Dalton, Josh Hale, Scotty Lawrence, Stacey Mendoza, and Eva Bush.

Public Comments: Randy Teague was present and addressed the Board over higher appraisal values and higher taxes. Disagreed with notation on the Tax Transparency notice that stated, "The County Tax Assessor does not determine property values or tax rates." Went on to discuss that lake values are too high. Water front values are not correct.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The minutes of the June 30, 2025 meeting were read and approved on a motion by Stacey Mendoza and seconded by Scotty Lawrence. The motion passed unanimously.

Review Monthly Reports and Approve Bills: The Board reviewed the monthly expense report for June. Stacey Mendoza made the motion to approve the bills for June. Josh Hale seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Review Collection Reports: The Collection Reports for June were reviewed by the Board.

Review Second Quarter Budget Comparison Report: The Board reviewed and discussed the second quarter budget comparison report.

Convene Public Hearing on the 2026 Operating Budgets: The Board of Directors convened into public hearing on the 2026 appraisal and collection budgets at 8:20 a.m. The Board discussed the budgets. Randy Teague made a comment about the 3.5% increase in the budget and voiced concerns about appraisal values.

Close Public Hearing and Reconvene in Open Session: The Board closed the public hearing and reconvened into open session at 8:44 a.m.

Adopt by Resolution the 2026 Appraisal and Collection Budgets: Josh Hale made the motion to approve and adopt by resolution the 2026 appraisal and collection budgets. Scotty Lawrence seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Other Business: Prior to the meeting, each of the Board of Directors had received a letter from Ben Grimes concerning the appraisal value of a subdivision. After some discussion as to why the board had received it and if they needed to address it at a future meeting, the consensus was that the Appraisal District Board of Directors had no jurisdiction over this particular matter. This item will not be put on a future agenda as the Board cannot take action on this item.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m. on a motion by Stacey Mendoza and seconded by Scotty Lawrence, The motion passed unanimously.