

**MINUTES OF AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
COLEMAN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**

The Agricultural Advisory Board of the Coleman County Appraisal District met on Thursday, October 1, 2026, in the Appraisal District Office located at 105 S. Commercial Ave., Coleman, Texas.

The meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 1:03 p.m.

Present: Rachel Douglass, Jack Knox, Kevin McMahon, Ryder Ross, Curtis Skelton, and appraisal district staff Eva Bush and Garrison Jones.

Organize Board and Appoint Chairman: Jack Knox made the motion to appoint a chair at the first meeting of each year. Curtis Skelton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. 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 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the October 7, 2025 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 2026 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 2026 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 should be lowered from \$30/acre to about \$22/acre. 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 \$18/acre for cropland and \$12/acre for improved and native pastureland. There were many hunting leases around the county much higher. While filling out the survey the Board advised that the hunting liability insurance needed to increase to about \$0.52/acre. Materials for fencing is still increasing and all were in consensus that increasing to \$4/acre seemed fair. They all agreed that brush control was hard to calculate and advised to leave at \$2/acre.

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

Eva Bush reminded Curtis Skelton that his term ends at the end of the year and asked if he would be willing to serve another term. He did say he would be willing to serve again. Jack Knox indicated he wanted off the board. Eva Bush explained that his term ended at the end of 2027 and asked if he could do one more year. He indicated he would for one more year.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m. on a motion by Curtis Skelton and a second to the motion by Rachel Douglass. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned.



Eva Bush, Chief Appraiser
Coleman County Appraisal District