

**Tarrant Appraisal District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
June 7, 2024**

This meeting was conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act as written in statute and was broadcast live on Facebook. A quorum of the members of the Board attended in person at the TAD offices.

These minutes are a summary of the only subjects the Board addressed and the actions it took. For details, see the agenda and video posted on TAD's website at this URL:

<https://www.tad.org/board-of-directors> and Video recording posted at:
<https://www.facebook.com/TarrantAD>

Members present:

Mr. Alan Blaylock
Ms. Wendy Burgess, Tax Assessor Collector
Mr. Rich DeOtte
Mr. Gary Losada
Ms. Gloria Peña, Secretary
Mr. Vince Puente, Chair

Also Participating:

Mr. Joe Don Bobbitt, Chief Appraiser
Mr. Brad Patrick, Director of Administration
Mr. Matthew Tepper, Attorney

Vince Puente called the meeting to order at 8:15am, verified a quorum was present and the notice was posted timely. After pledges and the Invocation, the Board took up the following agenda items:

5. Recognize Visitors; Hear Public Comments

Mr. Moore, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Dodson, and Mr. Crouch spoke. Chair Puente mentioned that he has chosen Gary Losada to chair the subcommittee regarding the appointment of new ARB officers and members. He said he asked Alan Blaylock to serve as the chair of the subcommittee on IT issues.

6. Information Items

a. Report by Taxpayer Liaison Officer

TLO Shirley Jacobson was unable to attend.

b. Report by Chief Appraiser

Mr. Bobbitt presented his written report.

7. Action Items

a. Action regarding approval of Board of Directors meeting minutes May 10, 2024

Ms. Peña moved to approve the draft as presented and Mr. DeOtte seconded. The vote was unanimous, 4-0, so the motion passed. Mr. DeOtte clarified that he was abstaining from voting as he was not present for the May 10th meeting.

b. Action on proposed budget amendments

Ms. Peña moved to approve the 2024 budget amendment as presented to authorize the use of reserves to pay for equipment/software needed to purchase due to the cyber incident that occurred on March 21, 2024. This does not result in an increase for the entities in the overall budget. Mr. Blaylock seconded this motion, and the vote was unanimous, 5-0. The motion passed, 5-0.

8. Discussion Items

a. 2025 Budget Workshop – discussion only; no action to be taken

This item was discussed however, no action was taken.

9. Recess to executive/closed session pursuant to the following part(s) of the Texas Open Meetings Act Government Code Ch. 551, for the following purposes:

At 9:38am, the Board recessed into Executive Session as provided in Item 9 of the Agenda.

Section 551.071(1)(a) – Consultation with attorney about pending or contemplated litigation; including challenges and strategies related to same: Cause# 153-343666-23 - F7SSSM LLC; Cause# 153-346168-23 – Clearfork MFILP; Cause# 153-342-345467-23 - Omni Fort Worth Partnership LP; Cause# 352-346167-23 – Clearfork MF1, LP; Cause# 236-345744-23 – Silver Oaks, LP

Section 551.074 - Deliberation on the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, dismissal, of a public officer or employee related to the Chairman of the Tarrant Appraisal Review Board

Section 551.076 – Deliberation regarding security devices, security software or security audits.

10. Return to Open Session for Possible Action on Items Deliberated on in Executive/Closed Session

At 11:39am, the Board returned to Open Session as provided in Item 10 of the Agenda.

Mr. DeOtte moved to transfer \$300,000 from the building fund to a new litigation committed fund. Mr. Losada seconded and the motion passed, 5-0.

11. Action Items

- a. **Consider and possible action on purchase or lease of replacement servers and consider moving committed funds to the general fund for action on this item**

Mr. Blaylock moved to authorize the Chief Appraiser to purchase or lease new server and related equipment in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 and further authorize the movement of \$250,000 from the technology reserve fund to the general fund. Mr. DeOtte seconded and the vote 5-0. The motion passed.

6.b. cont.

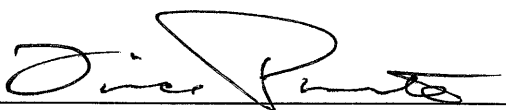
Commercial Director William Durham gave a presentation on commercial and litigation processes.

12. Propose Future Agenda Items; Set Next Meeting Date; Adjourn

No future agenda items were proposed; the next Meeting is scheduled for July 1, 2024 at 9am at the Tarrant County Commissioner's Court; the meeting adjourned at 12:06pm.



Gloria Peña, Board Secretary



Vince Puente, Board Chair