

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD  
Charles E. Burns., *Chairman*  
Felix Serna, *Secretary*  
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# KENEDY COUNTY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT

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## **Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors – January 9, 2023**

Judge Charles Burns, Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 11:52 AM. Mrs. Sarita Hixon, Vice President of the Board, Mr. William Dieterle, and Mrs. Irma Longoria were present. Mr. Thomas Denney, Chief Appraiser, and Ms. Anita Garza were present representing the Appraisal District. Mr. Joe Recio Board of Director Nominee was also present. Mr. Felix Serna, Secretary of the Board was absent.

Public Comment: None

Mr. Denney presented the December Board Meeting Minutes for approval. Mrs. Hixon Motioned approval. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion Passed.

The Board reviewed and discussed the nominee list (Mr. Joe Recio, and Mr. Danny Rodriguez) for the 2023 unexpired term of Mrs. Cindy Gonzales who resigned effective Dec. 31,2022. Mrs. Hixon made a motion for Joe Recio to complete Mrs. Gonzales remaining term. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Joe Recio executed the Statement of Officer notarized by Mr. Andres Garza. Judge Charles E. Burns administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Joe Recio. Mr. Andres Garza notarized.

The Board discussed board member roles (Chairman, Vice President, Secretary). Mr. Dieterle motioned to keep the titles the same as last year (Charles Burns, Chairman; Sarita Hixon, Vice President; Felix Serna, Secretary). Mrs. Hixon seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Denney requested permission to authorize the engagement of John Womack & Company for the 2022 Audit of the Kenedy County Central Appraisal District estimated at a cost of \$11,100 plus estimated Review of Audit expense of \$900 for a total audit cost of \$12,000. Mr. Dieterle motioned approval; Mrs. Hixon seconded. Motion passed.

Chief Appraiser Denney requested approval for employee Anita Garza to attend the Harris Govern Annual Conference from February 26<sup>th</sup> thru March 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$3000. Mr. Dieterle motioned approval. Mrs. Hixon seconded. Motion carried.

Chief Appraiser Denney requested authority to place public announcements in The Kingsville Record during the 2023 year as required by law at a cost not to exceed \$2,100 for the year. Mrs. Hixon motioned approval. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Denney presented the district's 2023 Investment Plan. Mr. Dieterle motioned approval. Mrs. Hixon seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Dieterle motioned for appointment of Mr. Thomas G. Denney as the Kenedy County Central Appraisal District's 2023 Investment Officer. Mrs. Hixon seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Denney presented the 2022 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Public Investment Report. Mrs. Hixon motioned approval. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion passed.

Ms. Garza presented the 2022 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 25.25(b) appraisal roll change report. Mrs. Hixon motioned approval. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Denney requested designation of the University of North Texas, Texas Association of Counties, and Texas Association of Appraisal Districts as authorized vendors to teach the Public Finance Officer Training Class. Mrs. Hixon motioned approval. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Denney requested the Board of Directors' meetings to be the same dates as the regular Commissioners Court meetings with start times of 10:30 A.M. or as soon after the end of the Commissioners Court meeting as is practical should it run longer than 10:30 A.M. Mr. Dieterle motioned approval. Mrs. Hixon seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Denney requested the 2023 Holiday Schedule be the same as those approved for Kenedy County by the Commissioners Court. Mrs. Hixon motioned approval. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion passed.

Chief Appraiser Denney requested authorization to reinvest a one-year CD, # 61989 opened 2-3-2022 in the amount of \$101,381.07 plus interest, into a new one year CD. Mrs. Hixon motioned approval. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Denney reported meeting with State Representative Ryan Guillen and discussing with him issues that are affecting Kenedy County. No Action needed.

Mr. Denney requested approval for payment of bills paid late in December 2022 under the emergency check distribution rules. Mrs. Hixon approved. Mr. Dieterle seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Denney requested Authorization to pay current Bills. Approval moved by Mrs. Hixon and was seconded by Mr. Dieterle. Motion Passed.

#### Chief Appraiser's Report:

1. Mr. Denney reported there are no results yet for the SOAH hearing.
2. Mr. Denney reported a settlement offer was made in the Lawsuit and distributed a copy of the offer to the board.
3. Mr. Denney reported Mr. Lothrop has been reappointed to the Appraisal Review Board for the 2023-2024 term by Judge Pulcher.
4. Mr. Denney reported the 2023 Reappraisal has commenced.

Mrs. Sarita Hixon made a motion to Adjourn at 12:20 PM. Mr. Dieterle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approved by the Board on February 13, 2023