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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes for BOD Meeting Wednesday, August 12, 2020

Present: Joe Knight, Jerry Fleitman, Nancy Brannon, Nathan Dempsey and Jim Collins. Also, present was Chief Appraiser Doug Smithson and The Weekly News.

Public Comments: There were none.

**Review and approve the minutes:** Motion was made by Jerry Fleitman to approve the minutes as presented. Jim Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Review payment of bills: The bills were reviewed and discussed.

Review financial statements: Financial statements were reviewed and discussed.

## **Action Items:**

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2019 Audit. Dan Tonn presented the audit for 2019. The district had a good financial year. Tonn stated that most long term debt is due to the pension plan. Jim Collins made the motion to approve the audit as presented. Nancy Brannon seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
- B. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2021 Budget. The 2021 budget was discussed in the public hearing. There was a small increase from the 2020 budget due to the Appraisal Review Board. There has been about one third more hearings. Also noted, the entities cost will slightly increase. Nancy Brannon made the motion to adopt the budget as presented. Jerry Fleitman seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
- C. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2021-2022 Reappraisal plan. The Reappraisal plan was reviewed and discussed in the public hearing. Jerry Fleitman made the motion to approve the plan as presented. Jim Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
- D. Discussion and possible action regarding the bank depository signature cards. Motion was made by Nancy Brannon to remove Jason Snuggs from the signature card. Jim Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

## Discussion item:

## A. Chief Appraiser report.

Doug Smithson, Chief Appraiser, stated the ARB has approximately 170 account still under review out of the 4100 accounts. Hearing will be held August 18 & 19. Doug reported that 179 cases have been heard by the ARB compared to 91 in 2019.

Meeting Adjourned.

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