

**Tarrant Appraisal District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2023**

This meeting was conducted "in person" and 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 TAD offices.

These minutes are a summary of the only subjects the board addressed and the actions it took. For details, see the Agenda & 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:

Ms. Wendy Burgess, Tax Assessor Collector
Mr. Rich DeOtte, Secretary
Mr. Jungus Jordan
Mr. J.R. Martinez
Mr. Tony Pompa, Chairman
Mr. Vince Puente

Not Present:

William Durham, Interim Chief Appraiser

Also Participating:

Mr. Brad Patrick, Director of Administration
Mr. Matthew Tepper, TAD Attorney

Chair Pompa called the meeting to order at 9:00am and verified a quorum was present. The notice was posted timely. After pledges and the Invocation, the Board took up the following agenda items:

5. Recognize Visitors; Hear Public Comments

Six members of the public spoke.

6. Action Items

a. Consent Agenda Items:

- (1) Action regarding approval of Board of Directors meeting minutes - August 11, 2023; September 18, 2023; October 2, 2023; October 18, 2023**
- (3) Approval of the purchase of the IBM Passport Advantage Annual Software Subscription and Support Renewal**
- (4) Action regarding renewal of the annual "Costar Suite" Subscription**
- (5) Action regarding payment of Annual Maintenance and Support services provided by Manatron, Inc. and payment of annual Escrow Fee**
- (6) Approval of the purchase of IBM FlashSystem 5200 Solution**

Mr. Puente removed Item 6a(2) from the consent agenda. Mr. Jordan moved to pass the consent agenda Items 6a(1) and 6a(3-6). This motion was seconded by Mr. Martinez and passed unanimously, 5-0.

6a(2) Consider granting a retiree pension cost of living adjustment (COLA) for 2024 and consider action of moving committed funds to the general fund to cover the cost

After Q&A with TCDRS Employer Representative, Erica Aguierre, Mr. Puente moved to pass the staff recommendation to authorize a 2% COLA for TAD retirees for 2024, authorize transfer of \$850,000 from the Committed Fund for Retirement Unfunded Liabilities to the General Fund for use in reducing the unfunded actuarial accrued liability, and authorize payment of \$850,000 to TCDRS for use in reducing the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of TAD's retirement plan. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously, 5-0.

6b Discussion and possible action on amending TAD's Personnel Policies and Procedures concerning Section 11.0 - "Retirement and Retiree Benefits" pertaining to the Retiree Group Medical Supplemental Insurance

Mr. DeOtte moved to table this item until a future meeting and Mr. Martinez seconded the motion. This passed unanimously, 5-0.

7. Information Items

a. Report by Taxpayer Liaison Officer

The Taxpayer Liaison report was reviewed by the Board.

b. Report by Chief Appraiser

(1) Status on 4th Quarter Activities

Brad Patrick reported that Appraisal Departments are in field work preparing for 2024, there are some ARB hearings, and appraisal training taking place.

(2) Update on Comptroller's 2023 Property Value Study and upcoming 2024 MAPS Review

Mr. Patrick also noted that TAD is providing information to the Comptroller's office for the PVS and the initial deadline of December 1st for the MAPS review. The on-site visit will be late April.

8. 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 9:58am, the Board recessed into Executive Session as provided in Item 8 of the Agenda.

Section 551.074 – Deliberation on the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee related to the search for a permanent chief appraiser.

Section 551.071 – Deliberation on a matter in which the Board of Directors seeks the advice of its attorney about contemplated litigation in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, related to statements made by Tarrant Appraisal District's former director of Information Services regarding the Tarrant Appraisal District's information systems.

At 12:11pm, the Board returned to Open Session as provided in Item 9 of the Agenda.

9. Return to Open Session

- a. The search for a permanent chief appraiser and;

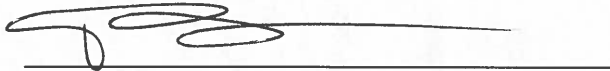
No action was taken regarding this item.

- b. Statements made by Tarrant Appraisal District's former director of information services regarding Tarrant Appraisal District's information systems.

No action was taken regarding this item. Chair Pompa reiterated that transparency and honesty are paramount. The investigation was ended. The 3rd party service, Apollo, that conducted the investigation found no signs of data taken from the TAD system. They suggested issues to address and the Board of Directors anticipate a called meeting for Friday, November 17th to move on proposals from Apollo.

8. Propose future agenda items; Set Next Meeting Date; Adjourn

Mr. Jordan proposed that the December 14th agenda include possible action for adding a higher rate for the retiree COLA. The next meeting date is expected to be November 17th. The meeting adjourned at 12:15pm.



Tony Pompa, Chairman