## MINUTES OF AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING COLEMAN COUNTY TAX APPRAISAL DISTRICT

The Agricultural Advisory Board of the Coleman County Tax Appraisal District met on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, in the Appraisal District Office located at 105 S. Commercial Ave., Coleman, Texas.

The meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Jack Knox, Mitzi Mays, and Eva Bush

Eva Bush announced that Ted Taylor had turned in his letter of resignation to the Appraisal District Board of Directors in September and will be officially resigning from the Agricultural Advisory Board.

Mitzi Mays was appointed chairman by consensus of both members

The minutes were approved by consensus.

Public Comments: No one was present.

Discussion and completion of the 2023 Farm and Ranch Survey was held.

Discussion of agricultural leases and hunting leases was held. The Board advised that the lowest agricultural lease for the lowest category of native pasture is about \$5/acre. Improved pasture leases around \$8/acre and typical hunting leases are about \$8/acre no matter if it is native or improved pasture. They also advised raising the management expenses from 7% to 8% due to expenses incurred for advertising and showing the hunting leases and expenses incurred cleaning up after the hunters leave. They also commented that the price of fencing continues to rise, but did not suggest an amount.

The Board did not advise any changes to the agricultural use categories. They were concerned about having 3 different categories of native pasture.

The meeting adjourned at 2.30 p.m.

Eva Bush, Chief Appraiser

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