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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Appraisal District of Jones County was held Tuesday, March 3, 2026 in the office of the Appraisal District located at 1137 East Court Plaza, Anson, Texas.

Present at the meeting were Dale Spurgin, Jim Astin, Jim Bailey, Robert Patterson and Tammy Smith. There is a vacancy on the Board at this time, therefore the Board will operate as a five-member Board until the selection of a new member.

Dale Spurgin called the meeting together at 8:30 a.m. There were no public comments.

Order of Business:

Agenda Item A: Approval of Minutes from December 16, 2025 Meeting

Jim Astin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Jim Bailey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item D: Welcome and Swear-in New Board Member

Final counts from the general election were presented by Tammy Smith to the Board. Mr. Robert Patterson was seated and all members were sworn in for the 2026-2027 Board Member Term.

Agenda Item C: Discussion/Action Select Board Officers

After some discussion and the seating of the six-member board; Jim Astin made a motion to nominate Dale Spurgin as Board Chairman, Jim Bailey as Vice-Chairman and Tucker Teague as Secretary. Robert Patterson second the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item B: Discussion/Action Select New Member to Fill Vacancy

Tammy Smith presented the Board all of the nominations submitted by the entities for filling the vacancy created when Mr. Griffith stepped down. After some discussion Mr. Daniel Smith was selected to fill the vacancy. A motion was made by Jim Astin and a second was made by Jim Bailey. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item E: Discussion/Action on BIS Contract Renewal

Tammy Smith presented the Board with a spreadsheet she made showing the number of deeds processed by BIS and the number processed here in our office. She then informed the Board BIS is not able to keep up with the volume of deeds to be processed with the number of hours allotted in the contract. BIS would like us to double the number of hours, but Tammy did not include that in the budget back in June. Tammy advised we might be able to add half of that amount into the current budget, or we could have Teresa come back part-time to process deeds. Tammy advised it would be more cost effective to have a part-time person in the office to process the deeds. After some discussion,



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Jim Astin moved to not renew BIS contract, then a second was made by Jim Bailey. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item F: Discussion/Action on Chief Appraiser Evaluation

Dale Spurgin advised he did not bring those results and would like to move this item to the next meeting agenda. No action was taken.

Agenda Item G: Discussion/Action on Acquiring Cell Service

Tammy Smith advised the new appraiser is using an IPAD in the field with him to view the aerials. He uses them to help locate properties and view properties with no access when he is out in the field. He is also emailing property photos to the office to apply to the accounts. Dale Spurgin suggested the District should contact the Sheriffs office and inquire about AT&T First Net hot spot. Tammy said she would ask them. No action was taken.

Agenda Item H: Discussion Anson Property Value Study

Tammy Smith informed the Board, the preliminary results were in and Anson ISD has failed, but did receive year two Grace. Tammy informed the board the residential values were very good, the commercial values were a little low, but the AG values were extremely low and would be looked at very closely for the upcoming appraisal year.

Agenda Item I: Chief Appraisal Reports/Financial Reports

Tammy Smith advised the Board of the collection rates as of today and informed them they might seem low, but the County has a large population of Over 65 tax payers who have taken advantage of the quarterly split pay, so we will still be getting those payments in the coming months. Tammy also informed the Board that another payment was received from the probation office. Financial reports were presented.

Agenda Item J: Adjourn

There being no other business to discuss, Jim Astin made a motion to adjourn. Jim Bailey motioned to second. The motion passed unanimously.

Dale Spurgin
Board of Directors, Chairman