



TEXAS VETERANS LAND BOARD  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 10:00 A.M.  
1700 Congress Avenue, Room 170, Austin, TX 78701

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1. Opening

- a. Chief Clerk Jennifer Jones, acting as Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.
- b. The Chair declared a quorum present.

Members present were:

Chief Clerk Jennifer Jones  
Board Member James Rothfelder  
Board Member Judson Scott

Also present:

Executive Secretary Tony Dale  
Assistant Executive Secretary Darren Fitz Gerald  
General Counsel Jeff Gordon

- c. Invocation was led by Chaplain of the Day Chaplain (COL) David Green.
- d. The Chair led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags.
  - i. Presentation to Chaplain by the Board of a flag flown over the Alamo in honor of his contributions to veterans.
2. Approval of the minutes from the regular Board meeting of November 12, 2024.  
Approved with no objections.
3. Citizen Communications. No members of the public testified during citizen communications.
4. Chair and Board Member Opening Comments. General comments made by the board. Recognition of Board Member Scott for his contribution to the Voices of Veterans program.
5. Veterans Land Board Bond Funds Management
  - a. Quarterly Veterans Land, Housing and Home Improvement Program Update for Fiscal Year 2025 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter. This is a non-action item, therefore no action taken.

6. Veterans Land Board Land and Housing
  - a. Consideration and possible action to set aside bids received from the Online Bidding Forfeited Land Sale held December 2, 2024, to January 16, 2025, on any tract where the account holder is making an appeal. No appeals made. This is a non-action item, no action taken.
  - b. Consideration and possible action to accept and award all qualified high bids received from the Online Bidding Forfeited Land Sale held December 2, 2024, to January 16, 2025. Motion was made by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Rothfelder, to approve according to staff recommendations. This motion carried unanimously.
  - c. Consideration and possible action on request to forfeit VLB delinquent land accounts and accounts involved in tax suits. Motion was made by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Rothfelder, to approve according to staff recommendations. This motion carried unanimously.
  - d. Consideration and possible action on request to Order for Sale land tracts that may be included in the next Online Bidding Forfeited Land Sale and to set the next Quarterly Electronic Forfeited Land Sale bidding period to begin March 3, 2025, through April 17, 2025. Motion was made by Mr. Rothfelder and seconded by Mr. Scott, to approve according to staff recommendations. This motion carried unanimously.
7. Texas State Veterans Cemeteries
  - a. Report on Texas State Veterans Cemetery operations. This is a non-action item, therefore no action taken.
8. Texas State Veterans Homes
  - a. Report on Texas State Veterans Home Operations. This is a non-action item, therefore no action taken.
  - b. Consideration and possible action on renewals for the management and operations agreements for the Big Spring, Bonham, El Paso, Floresville, Houston, McAllen and Tyler Texas State Veterans Homes. Motion was made by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Rothfelder, to approve according to staff recommendations. This motion carried unanimously.
  - c. Consideration and possible action to delegate authority to the Executive Secretary to execute a management and operations agreement for the Texas State Veterans Home in Temple. Motion was made by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Rothfelder, to approve according to staff recommendations. This motion carried unanimously.

## 9. Construction Services

- a. Report on construction projects. This is a non-action item, therefore no action taken.

## 10. Executive Secretary Report

- a. Report on Veterans Land Board operations. This is a non-action item, therefore no action taken.


**II. EXECUTIVE SESSION 11:00 A.M – 11:29 A.M.**

*In accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, the Texas Veterans Land Board entered into Executive Session pursuant to the following provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code:*

Section 551.071 - Consultation with attorney regarding issues concerning construction at the Richard A. Anderson Texas State Veterans Home in Houston, Texas.

**III. RECONVENE REGULAR AGENDA 11:32 A.M.**

11. Consideration and possible action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session. No action taken.
12. Chair and Board Member Closing Comments. General comments made by the Board.
13. Adjournment. 11:33 A.M.

**ATTEST:**  
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Anthony Dale  
Executive Secretary**APPROVED:**  
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James Rothfelder  
Board Member