

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, the 7th day of January, 2019, in the Matagorda County Commissioners' Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge McDonald presiding.

Others present were as follows: Kristen Kubecka, Denise Fortenberry, Amanda Campos, Carmen Andrews, Loretta Griffin, Bill Orton, Richard Saunders, Bobby Wilkinson, Herff Cornelius, Joey Sliva, Nathan Yates, Jessica Russell, Mike Ferdinand, Bubba Simons, Suzan Thompson, Kathy McDaniel, Rick Johnson, Victor Martinez, Jr., Robert Klepac, Janet Hickl, Megan Pate, Paul Hickl, Dollie Coleman, Meredith Dodd, Estela Reyes, Marshall Scott, III, Bobby Kimball, Mike Reddell, Jimmy Galvan and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

County Judge McDonald, certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Frick, Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Graham and Commissioner Pollard

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Frick

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Frick

4. Prayer – Commissioner Gibson

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners' Court Minutes for January 1, 2019

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioners' Court Minutes for January 1, 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

6. Consideration and possible action regarding contracts for the use of the Matagorda County Fairground facilities

This being the next item for business, no action required.

7. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution honoring Janet Hickl for her years of service to Matagorda County as County Clerk

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve a Resolution honoring Janet Hickl for her years of service to Matagorda County as County Clerk. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to appoint a County Commissioner as Judge Pro-Tem for the year 2019 to preside over all meetings of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court in the event of the absence of the County Judge

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to appoint Kent Pollard as Judge Pro-Tem for the year 2019 to

preside over all meetings of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court in the event of the absence of the County Judge. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to appoint a County Commissioner to be chairperson of the Matagorda County Sick Leave Bank, to serve for one year beginning January 1, 2019, and ending December 31, 2019

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to appoint a Commissioner Gibson to be chairperson of the Matagorda County Sick Leave Bank, to serve for one year beginning January 1, 2019, and ending December 31, 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action regarding the designation of three members from the prior year Grand Jury to serve on the Matagorda County Salary Grievance Committee for the year 2019, pursuant to Section 152.014 and 152.015 of the Texas Local Government Code

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to designate three members from the prior year Grand Jury to serve on the Matagorda County Salary Grievance Committee for the year 2019, pursuant to Section 152.014 and 152.015 of the Texas Local Government Code. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
Three members' names were drawn and three members' names were drawn as alternates.

11. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution honoring Judge Suzan Thompson for her years of service to Matagorda County, as Justice of the Peace, Precinct #2

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve a Resolution honoring Judge Suzan Thompson for her years of service to Matagorda County, as Justice of the Peace, Precinct #2. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the Deputation of Rebecca L. Mayo as Chief Deputy Treasurer

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the Deputation of Rebecca L. Mayo as Chief Deputy Treasurer. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action authorizing Sheriff Osborne to purchase two (2) 2018 Dodge Ram 1500 SSV 4x4s, in the amount of \$58,810.00, to be purchased through the State Buy Board from Grapevine Dodge Chrysler Jeep, Grapevine, TX, payment to be taken out of 010-55700-560

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, authorizing Sheriff Osborne to purchase two (2) 2018 Dodge Ram 1500 SSV 4x4s, in the amount of \$58,810.00, to be purchased through the State Buy Board from Grapevine Dodge Chrysler Jeep, Grapevine, TX, payment to be taken out of 010-55700-560. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action authorizing Sheriff Osborne to purchase a 2019 Ford Explorer in the amount of \$30,268.40 to be purchased through the Buy Board Contract #521-16 from Silsbee Ford, TX, payment to be taken out of 010-55700-560

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by

Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, authorizing Sheriff Osborne to purchase a 2019 Ford Explorer in the amount of \$30,268.40 to be purchased through the Buy Board Contract #521-16 from Silsbee Ford, TX, payment to be taken out of 010-55700-560. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Patrol Deputy Rodolfo Castillo, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Patrol Deputy Rodolfo Castillo, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Sergeant Matthew Tilley, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Sergeant Matthew Tilley, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action regarding the award of Bid #18-0005 Road Material and Bid #18-0006 Road Construction with Equipment for the FY 2019 and authorize the County Judge to sign contracts for the same

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, regarding the award of Bid #18-0005 Road Material and Bid #18-0006 Road Construction with Equipment for the FY 2019 and authorize the County Judge to sign contracts for the same. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to allow Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4, to purchase a laptop from Discount PC, in the amount of \$299.95 and to allow Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4, to purchase a Window 10 license and Microsoft Office license from CDWG, in the amount of \$468.72, to be paid out of JP tech fund; 19-53300-400

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to allow Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4, to purchase a laptop from Discount PC, in the amount of \$299.95 and to allow Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4, to purchase a Window 10 license and Microsoft Office license from CDWG, in the amount of \$468.72, to be paid out of JP tech fund; 19-53300-400. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to find that it is necessary to appoint a deputy constable who is qualified in the same manner as a sheriff's deputy for Precinct #6 in order to properly handle the business of the constable's office and to approve and confirm the appointment of Keith Sullivan, as Deputy Constable for Precinct #6

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to find that it is necessary to appoint a deputy constable who is qualified in the same manner as a sheriff's deputy for Precinct #6 in order to properly handle the business of the constable's office and to approve and confirm the appointment of Keith Sullivan, as Deputy Constable for Precinct #6. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to hire Rebecca Mayo from January 14, 2019 to January 31, 2019, at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, to train with current Administrative Assistant to become the Administrative Assistant for Emergency Management/911 Coordinator

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to hire Rebecca Mayo from January 14, 2019 to January 31, 2019, at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, to train with current Administrative Assistant to become the Administrative Assistant for Emergency Management/911 Coordinator. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to approve the Monthly Reports from various County Departments

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve the Monthly Reports from various County Departments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to ratify Accounts Payable for December 21, 2018

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to ratify Accounts Payable for December 21, 2018. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Consideration and possible action to ratify Payroll for January 4, 2019

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to ratify Payroll for January 4, 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

24. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Annual, Quarterly and Monthly 2019 automatic payments

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Annual, Quarterly and Monthly 2019 automatic payments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

25. Consideration and possible action to approve Bank Drafts

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve Bank Drafts. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

26. Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Demand Checks

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

27. Meet in Executive Session:

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:16 a.m. by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

28. **Reconvene open session and consider taking action on the matters discussed in Executive Session:**

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 11:24 a.m. by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

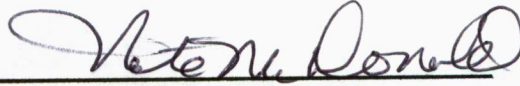
29. **Public Comments**

This being the next item for business, no action required.

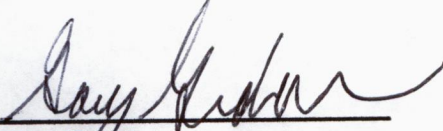
30. **Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 11:25 am by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, the 14th day of January, 2019.



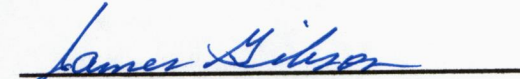
NATE McDONALD,
County Judge



GARY GRAHAM,
Commissioner Precinct No. One



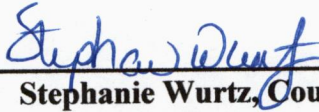
KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two
Judge Pro Tem



JAMES GIBSON
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: 
Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

