

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, April 13, 2020, via Zoom video teleconference (due to circumstances pertaining to COVID-19), with County Judge McDonald presiding.

Others present on the video teleconference were as follows: Kristen Kubecka, Denise Fortenberry, Bill Orton, Skipper Osborne, Lisa Krobot, Loretta Griffin, Mike Ferdinand, Jessica Russell, Jessica Shephard, Shelby Storts, Tressa Leadford, Karla Lewis, Jimmy Galvan, Helio Takahashi, Crystal Morones and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Graham, Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Frick 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 Commissioner's Court Minutes for April 6, 2020

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 Commissioner's Court Minutes for April 6, 2020. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

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

7. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proclamation declaring April 26 – May 2, 2020 as "Soil and Water Stewardship Week"

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 Proclamation declaring April 26 – May 2, 2020 as "Soil and Water Stewardship Week". Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution in support of a Victim's Assistance Coordinator Grant

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 Resolution in support of a Victim's Assistance Coordinator Grant. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Interlocal Agreement for Matagorda County Drainage District #1 to provide Investment Services for January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, and allow the County Judge to sign

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 Matagorda County Interlocal Agreement for Matagorda County Drainage District #1 to provide Investment Services for January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Interlocal Agreement for Matagorda County Drainage District #3 to provide Investment Services for January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, and allow the County Judge to sign

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 Matagorda County Interlocal Agreement for Matagorda County Drainage District #3 to provide Investment Services for January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Interlocal Agreement for Matagorda County Conservation and Reclamation District #1 to provide Investment Services for January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, and allow the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve the Matagorda County Interlocal Agreement for Matagorda County Conservation and Reclamation District #1 to provide Investment Services for January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to authorize the County Judge, Nate McDonald, to issue Requests for Proposals for an administrative service provider to assist Matagorda County in application preparation and the overall management of its Hurricane Harvey DR #4332 FEMA Public Assistance

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to authorize the County Judge, Nate McDonald, to issue Requests for Proposals for an administrative service provider to assist Matagorda County in application preparation and the overall management of its Hurricane Harvey DR #4332 FEMA Public Assistance. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to authorize County Judge, Nate McDonald, to issue Requests for Proposals for an administrative service provider to assist Matagorda County FEMA Public Assistance pre-award and post award activities for future disasters for a period of 5 years upon selection

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to authorize County Judge, Nate McDonald, to issue Requests for Proposals for an administrative service provider to assist Matagorda County FEMA Public Assistance pre-award and post award activities for future disasters for a period of 5 years upon selection. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to authorize County Judge, Nate McDonald, to issue Requests for Proposals for an administrative service provider to assist Matagorda County FEMA pre-award and post award activities for DR #4485 COVID-19 disaster

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to authorize County Judge, Nate McDonald, to issue Requests for Proposals for an administrative service provider to assist Matagorda County FEMA pre-award and post award activities for DR #4485 COVID-19 disaster. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to authorize County Judge, Nate McDonald, to submit Environmental Agency letters regarding Matagorda County CDBG Grant 7219261 and to sign a Request for Exemption from SHPO Review

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to authorize County Judge, Nate McDonald, to submit Environmental Agency letters regarding Matagorda County CDBG Grant 7219261 and to sign a Request for Exemption from SHPO Review. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve an extension of the bid due date for RFP 19-005 to May 11, 2020, due to COVID-19 social distancing recommendations and allow electronic submissions to encourage submittals

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 an extension of the bid due date for RFP 19-005 to May 11, 2020, due to COVID-19 social distancing recommendations and allow electronic submissions to encourage submittals. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. concerning the adoption of an ordinance to nominate an area of the County designated as a reinvestment zone, with proposed area as described in Exhibit A and Project Description in Exhibit B

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to enter into a Public Hearing at 9:53 a.m. concerning the adoption of an ordinance to nominate an area of the County designated as a reinvestment zone, with proposed area as described in Exhibit A and Project Description in Exhibit B. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

At 10:01 a.m., motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to enter back into regular session of Commissioners Court. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to establish a Reinvestment Zone for Tax Abatement purposes, upon the request of Roehm America, LLC, with proposed area as described in Exhibit A and Project Description in Exhibit B

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to establish a Reinvestment Zone for Tax Abatement purposes and find that the improvements sought are feasible and practical and would benefit to the zone after the expiration of the tax abatement agreement, and find that the zone meets one of the applicable criteria for reinvestment zone. The criterion cited is that the designation of the zone is reasonably likely to contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or to attract major investment to the zone. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Matagorda County and Houston-Galveston Area Council and allow the County Judge to Docusign

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 Interlocal Agreement between Matagorda County and Houston-Galveston Area Council and allow the County Judge to Docusign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

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 Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Bills

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 Bills. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Public Comments

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

24. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:21 a.m. by Commissioner Graham 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 20th day of April, 2020.

Nate McDonald
NATE McDONALD
County Judge

Gary Graham
GARY GRAHAM
Commissioner Precinct No. One

Kent Pollard
KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two
Judge Pro Tem

James Gibson
JAMES GIBSON
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

Charles "Bubba" Frick
CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: *Stephanie Wurtz*
Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

