

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, March 25, 2024, in the Matagorda County Commissioner's Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge Seiferman presiding.

Others present were as follows: Jennifer Chau, Kristen Kubecka, Skipper Osborne, Lisa Krobot, Doug Schoppe, Matthew Tilley, Chris Peikert, Amanda Campos, Becky Cook, Gloria Millsap, Jessica Shepard, Loretta Griffin, Mike Ferdinand, Meagan Ramirez, Erik Frankson, Vic Everett, Mike Spillers, Rick DeLeon, Dan Shook, Alexandria Longoria and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

County Judge Seiferman certified a quorum with Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Estlinbaum, Commissioner Shimek and Commissioner Frick.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Estlinbaum

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Estlinbaum

4. Prayer – Commissioner Cook

5. Public Comments

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

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 regarding approving Commissioner's Court Minutes for March 11, 2024 and March 18, 2024

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioner's Court Minutes for March 11, 2024 and March 18, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve the AT&T Contract for the Courthouse phone circuit

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the AT&T Contract for the Courthouse phone circuit. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve the AT&T Contract for the County of Matagorda Office Building (CMOB) circuit

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the AT&T Contract for the County of Matagorda Office Building (CMOB) circuit. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to allow Justice of the Peace #2 to purchase 1 copy of Adobe Acrobat for a total of \$507.00 to be paid out of the Justice of the Peace Technology Fund 19-53300-460

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to allow Justice of the Peace #2 to purchase 1 copy of Adobe Acrobat for a total of \$507.00 to be paid out of the Justice of the Peace Technology Fund 19-53300-460. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to reset a Public Hearing for April 29, 2024, regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Shoshana Storage Project, LLC and allow publication of such

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to reset a Public Hearing for April 29, 2024, regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Shoshana Storage Project, LLC and allow publication of such. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve an extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for Shrimp Dumping beginning on March 25, 2024, and ending on May 6, 2024, and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve an extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for Shrimp Dumping beginning on March 25, 2024, and ending on May 6, 2024, and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve the Contract Agreement between Matagorda County and Van Vleck VFD 2024 to 2025

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the Contract Agreement between Matagorda County and Van Vleck VFD 2024 to 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve the Contract Agreement between Matagorda County and Markham VFD 2024 to 2025

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the Contract Agreement between Matagorda County and Markham VFD 2024 to 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract between Matagorda County and Susan Reed

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve a Contract between Matagorda County and Susan Reed. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #2, Precinct #4, Sheriff's Office and JP #4

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #2, Precinct #4, Sheriff's Office and JP #4. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

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

18. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

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

19. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. Meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

Under Section 551.087 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 9:45 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

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Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

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This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:51 p.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

Under Section 551.087 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 was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve an offer on 119 acres on N Highway 60, Bay City, Texas, and allow Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign all related documents; and authorize the Auditor's Office to issue a Demand Check totaling \$31,900 in accordance with the Agreement. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:53 p.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, the 1st day of April, 2024.



BOBBY SEIFERMAN
County Judge



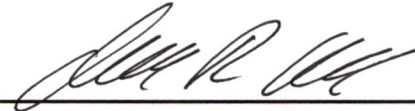
EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK
Commissioner Precinct No. One



MIKE ESTLINBAUM
Commissioner Precinct No. Two



TROY SHIMEK
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

