

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2017

Call to Order

This **Special Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday the 23rd day of January 2017 in the Matagorda County Commissioner's Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge McDonald presiding.

Others present were as follows: Sheriff Osborne, Mike Reddell, Dwight Baker, Kristen Kubecka, Lisa Krobot, Tammy McDonald, Denise Fortenberry, Cristyn Hallmark, Chris Peikert, Doug Matthes, Ona Lea Pierce, Renee Huff, Marcus Michna, Jo Lynn Sutton, Mattie Watkins, Mary B. Johnston, Jerry Lipinski, Jackie Jecmenek, Louis Kopnick, Amy Tapia, Carmen Andrews, Nancy Vasek, Deedy Huffman, Jamie Grantz, Steven Reis, Shelby Storts and Janet Hickl

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 Graham

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Graham

4. Prayer – Commissioner Frick

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners Court Minutes for January 9, 2017

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioners Court Minutes for January 9, 2017. 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 accept the Matagorda County Historical Commission's Annual Report by Ona Lea Pierce

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept the Matagorda County Historical Commission's Annual Report by Ona Lea Pierce. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve the Appointment of Officers for the 2017 and 2018 Matagorda County Historical Commission

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve the Appointment of Officers for the 2017 and 2018 Matagorda County Historical Commission. Chairman, David Holubec, Vice Chair, Becca Siz, Secretary, Nancy Vasek, Treasury, Renee Huff. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proclamation recognizing Ona Lea Pierce on her years of dedication to the Matagorda County Historical Commission

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 a Proclamation recognizing Ona Lea Pierce on her years of dedication to the Matagorda County Historical Commission. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the submittal of Fiscal Year 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant Application (EMPG), to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas Department of Public Safety

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the submittal of Fiscal Year 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant Application (EMPG), to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas Department of Public Safety. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Deputy Kierra Jackson, Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, 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 Deputy Kierra Jackson, Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Sergeant Sonjya Tumlinson, Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, 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 Sergeant Sonjya Tumlinson, Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve an Equipment Service Agreement between Matagorda County and BCOS for a Konica/Minolta Bizhub 4750 machine

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve an Equipment Service Agreement between Matagorda County and BCOS for a Konica/Minolta Bizhub 4750 machine and to amend the agenda item to state that the agreement will include language that the county will not pay the property taxes. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to declare the following vehicles as salvage and authorize sale at auction: 2012 Dodge Charger VIN #2C3CDXAG8CH240133, 2010 Ford Expedition VIN #1FMJU1G5XAEB49810, 2010 Ford Expedition VIN #1FMJU1G51AEB49811, 2004 Toyota Sequoia VIN #5TDZT34AX4S214161, and 2007 Chevrolet Silverado pickup VIN # 1GCEC19J07Z575283. Proceeds applied to account 010-55700-560

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to declare the following vehicles as salvage and authorize sale at auction: 2012 Dodge Charger VIN #2C3CDXAG8CH240133, 2010 Ford Expedition VIN #1FMJU1G5XAEB49810, 2010 Ford Expedition VIN #1FMJU1G51AEB49811, 2004 Toyota Sequoia VIN #5TDZT34AX4S214161, and 2007 Chevrolet Silverado pickup VIN # 1GCEC19J07Z575283. Proceeds applied to account 010-55700-560. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve an Equipment Lease for 1 Votec Votesafe Poll Book Machine between Matagorda County and Palacios ISD, for an election to be held on May 8, 2017

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve an Equipment Lease for 1 Votec Votesafe Poll Book Machine between Matagorda County and Palacios ISD, for an election to be held on May 8, 2017. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve an Equipment Lease for 4 E-Slates, 2 DAU and 2 JBC between Matagorda County and Palacios ISD, for an election to be held on May 8, 2017

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve an Equipment Lease for 4 E-Slates, 2 DAU and 2 JBC between Matagorda County and Palacios ISD, for an election to be held on May 8, 2017. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Amy O. Tapia, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #3, 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 Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Amy O. Tapia, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #3, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Gary Graham, Commissioner Precinct #1, 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 Gary Graham, Commissioner Precinct #1, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to approve the increase of pay for Melissa Pena, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #3 Clerk from \$11.87 to \$12.87, as her duties have changed to include System Management Expert, which were the precious duties of Amy O. Tapia

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the increase of pay for Melissa Pena, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #3 Clerk from \$11.87 to \$12.87, as her duties have changed to include System Management Expert, which were the precious duties of Amy O. Tapia. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2017 Matagorda County Payroll

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 2017 Matagorda County Payroll. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to approve the deputation of Sherri Geffert, Pamela Deckl, Cheryl Thomas, Dana Smith, Jacqueline Matura, Carolyn Wells, Kanita Robinson and Debra Warner as Deputy Tax Assessor-Collectors and Loretta Griffin as Chief Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector

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 deputation of Sherri Geffert, Pamela Deckl, Cheryl Thomas, Dana Smith, Jacqueline Matura, Carolyn Wells, Kanita Robinson and Debra Warner as Deputy Tax Assessor-Collectors and Loretta Griffin as Chief Deputy Tax Assessor-Collector. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to accept a Certificate of Course Completion on the Public Information Act and a Certificate of Course Completion on the Open Meetings Act issued to Precinct #1 Commissioner, Gary Graham

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept a Certificate of Course Completion on the Public Information Act and a Certificate of Course Completion on the Open Meetings Act issued to Precinct #1 Commissioner, Gary Graham. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Consideration and possible action to appoint a Commissioner as Board member to TIRZ No. 1 to serve as replacement for Dan Pustka

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to appoint a Commissioner as Board member to TIRZ No. 1 to serve as replacement for Dan Pustka. Commissioner Graham was appointed. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

24. Consideration and possible action to appoint a Commissioner as board member to TIRZ No. 2 to serve as replacement for Dan Pustka

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to appoint a Commissioner as board member to TIRZ No. 2 to serve as replacement for Dan Pustka. Commissioner Graham was appointed. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

25. Consideration and possible action to accept the appointment of Martha Hurta, Deputy Clerk, in the District Clerk's office, effective January 18, 2017, and hired at Pay Group Level 12. Her bond will be covered under the Self Insurance Pool

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to accept the appointment of Martha Hurta, Deputy Clerk, in the District Clerk's office, effective January 18, 2017, and hired at Pay Group Level 12. Her bond will be covered under the Self Insurance Pool. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

26. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution authorizing the submission of Grant Application #3267301 for Computer Aid Dispatch software, to be added to the existing Tyler Odyssey service used in the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office Dispatch center

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 a Resolution authorizing the submission of Grant Application #3267301 for Computer Aid Dispatch software, to be added to the existing Tyler Odyssey service used in the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office Dispatch center. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

27. Consideration and possible action to approve a draw schedule for the Repairs, Maintenance, and Renovations by Merrick Coastal, LLC on the first, third, and fourth floors of the Matagorda County Office Building

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 a draw schedule for the Repairs, Maintenance, and Renovations by Merrick Coastal, LLC on the first, third, and fourth floors of the Matagorda County Office Building. Motion carried.

Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

28. Consideration and possible action to approve an increase in hourly-rate salary of Stacey Mason from \$14.31 to \$15.03, due to change in job position and increased responsibility

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve an increase in hourly-rate salary of Stacey Mason from \$14.31 to \$15.03, due to change in job position and increased responsibility. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

29. Consideration and possible action to accept the County Attorney's Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report and allow the County Attorney to submit the report online

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to accept the County Attorney's Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report and allow the County Attorney to submit the report online. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

30. Consideration and possible action to award the construction contract for Grant F13AF00061 (Gulf Pier and Education Program)

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

31. Consideration and possible action to approve a contract for Grant F13AF00061 (Gulf Pier and Education Program) and allow Judge Nate McDonald to execute said contract

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 a contract for Grant F13AF00061 (Gulf Pier and Education Program) and allow Judge Nate McDonald to execute said contract. Motion carried.
Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

32. Consideration and possible action to issue a Notice to Proceed for Grant F13AF00061 (Gulf Pier and Education Program)

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to issue a Notice to Proceed for Grant F13AF00061 (Gulf Pier and Education Program). Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

33. Consideration and possible action to appoint a Commissioner to the Negotiation Committee regarding Tenaris 312 Agreement to serve as replacement for Charles Frick

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to appoint a Commissioner to the Negotiation Committee regarding Tenaris 312 Agreement to serve as replacement for Charles Frick. Commissioner Graham was appointed. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

34. Consideration and possible action to accept Termite Bid Proposal from Klepac Pest & Termite Control, in the amount of \$1,925.00 regarding the County of Matagorda County Office building located at 2200 7th Street, Bay City, Texas

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept Termite Bid Proposal from Klepac Pest & Termite Control, in the amount of \$1,925.00 regarding the County of Matagorda County Office building located at 2200 7th Street, Bay City, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

35. Consideration and possible action to select and approve Blue Care Connections Program and authorize the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to table selecting and approving Blue Care Connections Program and authorize the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

36. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report ending December 31, 2016

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve the Matagorda County Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report ending December 31, 2016. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

37. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report for December 2016

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 Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report ending December 31, 2016. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

38. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Treasurer's Monthly Report for December 2016

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 Treasurer's Monthly Report December 31, 2016. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

39. Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Bills

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

40. Meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the count in an executive session regarding deliberation of contract being negotiated

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 11:06 a.m. by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to Meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the count in an executive session regarding deliberation of contract being negotiated

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

41. Reconvene Open Session and consider taking action on the matters discussed in:

Executive Session Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the count in an executive session regarding deliberation of contract being negotiated

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 12:08 p.m. by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to Reconvene Open Session and consider taking action on the matters discussed in:

Executive Session Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the count in an executive session regarding deliberation of contract being negotiated

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays. No action taken.

42. Public Comments

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

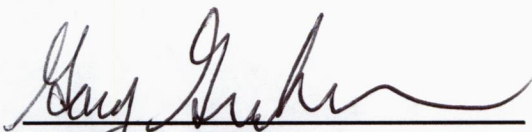
43. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 12:09 p.m. by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays


Approved in Open Court, this the 30th day of January, 2017.




NATE McDONALD,
County Judge




GARY GRAHAM,
Commissioner Precinct No. One



KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

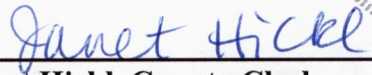


JAMES GIBSON
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK, Judge Pro-Tem
Commissioner Precinct No. Four



ATTEST: 
Janet Hickl, County Clerk