

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JULY 9, 2018

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday the 9th day of July, 2018 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, Lisa Krobot, Kristen Kubecka, Denise Fortenberry, Doug Matthes, Mike Reddell, Mike Ferdinand, Bruce Spitzengel, James Engbrock, Jackie Lenz, Alan Fisher, Chris Peikert, and Janet Hickl

1. Certification of quorum

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Gibson

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Gibson

4. Prayer – Commissioner Pollard

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners' Court Minutes for July 2, 2018

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 Commissioners' Court Minutes for July 2, 2018. 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 taken

7. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution authorizing the participation, administration, and local match funding for the proposed multi-jurisdiction flood early warning/flood inundation project

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve a Resolution authorizing the participation, administration, and local match funding for the proposed multi-jurisdiction flood early warning/flood inundation project. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve the Fire Fighting Agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019 with Blessing Volunteer Fire Department

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 Fire Fighting Agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019 with Blessing Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve the Fire Fighting Agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019 with Tres Palacios Oaks Volunteer Fire Department

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 Fire Fighting Agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019 with Tres Palacios Oaks Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the Fire Fighting Agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019 with Markham Volunteer Fire Department

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 Fire Fighting Agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 and Fiscal Year 2019 with Markham Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to give system permission to AT&T for the Attorney General MOU regarding internet

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to give system permission to AT&T for the Attorney General MOU regarding internet. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2018 Holidays for Matagorda County Personnel

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 2018 Holidays for Matagorda County Personnel changing the Veterans Day holiday from a Friday to a Monday. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to Canvass the June 30, 2018 Special Election for the United States Representative District 27 race

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to Canvass the June 30, 2018 Special Election for the United States Representative District 27 race. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve an order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Lonnie Lewis, Sr., who has caused, permitted, or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval

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 order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Lonnie Lewis, Sr., who has caused, permitted, or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve an order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Rafael Espejo, who has caused, permitted , or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval

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 an order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Rafael Espejo, who has caused, permitted , or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve an order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Susie McKnight, who has caused, permitted , or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval

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 order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Susie McKnight, who has caused, permitted , or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve an order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Rene Gonzales, who has caused, permitted , or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval

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 order authorizing Matagorda County Attorney, Denise M. Fortenberry, to file suit to abate against Rene Gonzales, who has caused, permitted , or allowed a nuisance condition on, or has an interest in, the property upon which the offending condition exists, for injunctive and other relief as is authorized by the Texas Health and Safety Code, including the right to prohibit or control access to the premises to prevent a continued or future violation and other environmental, public health and welfare protection laws, the County Attorney shall bring any issues relating to the expenditure of funds back to the court, as needed, for approval. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to approve the Payment of Bills

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 the Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. Public Comments

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

20. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:12 am by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Pollard with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, this the 16th day of July, 2018.

absent

NATE McDONALD,
County Judge

Gary Graham

GARY GRAHAM,
Commissioner Precinct No. One
Judge Pro Tem

Kent Pollard

KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

James Gibson

JAMES GIBSON
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

Absent

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

ATTEST: *Janet Hickl*

Janet Hickl, County Clerk

