

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2015

Call to Order

This **Special Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday the 30th day of March 2015 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: Chris Peikert, Sheriff Osborne, Tammy McDonald, Ruben Gonzales, Barry Halvorson, Denise Fortenberry, Cathy Ezell, Doug Matthes, Mike Reddell, Janice Hawthorne, Joe Heaton, Jim Leatherwood, Harriet Townsend and Janet Hickl

1. Certification of quorum

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Pustka

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Pustka

4. Prayer – Commissioner Gibson

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners Court Minutes for March 23, 2015

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 Commissioners Court Minutes for March 23, 2015. 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, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve 1 contract for the use of the Matagorda County Fairground facilities by Brittany Orsak. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

7. Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing Matagorda County to participate in the State of Texas Beach Cleaning Program and vest Commissioner Pollard with full authority to act for purposes of the program

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Pustka, with all others concurring, to approve a resolution authorizing Matagorda County to participate in the State of Texas Beach Cleaning Program and vest Commissioner Pollard with full authority to act for purposes of the program. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve a Health Fair at the Courthouse for County Employees and the community to be held on May 14, 2015

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 a Health Fair at the Courthouse for County Employees and the community to be held on May 14, 2015. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve Sugar Plantation Estates, a 76.00 Acre Simple Subdivision, being out of the Tone & Jamison League, Abstract No. 94, Cedar Lane, Matagorda County, Texas

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10. Consideration and possible action to approve a Fire Fighting Agreement between Matagorda County and the Tres Palacios Oaks Volunteer Fire Department for the years of 2015 and 2016 in the amount of \$1,800.00 annually

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11. Consideration and possible action to increase the salary of Brian Moudy and Max Cruz, Animal Control Officers, from \$11.19 per hour to \$12.00 per hour, to become effective on March 30, 2015. This will raise Environmental Health's salary budget by \$3,186.32, which will be moved from 010-631-0465, Animal Control Cost

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12. Consideration and possible action to approve a Demand Check, payable to Bill Orton, in the amount of \$516.17, to come out of Courthouse Security, covering hotel (\$382.17) and per diem (\$134.00) expenses for an Advanced Law Enforcement Readiness Training (ALERT) course. The hotel room has already been approved in Commissioners Court, but the hotel bill did not get paid, therefore Mr. Orton paid with his personal credit card

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13. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for William Holzapfel, Jr., Foreman for Precinct #4, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures

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14. Consideration and possible action to approve the Notice of Special Election to Legalize the Sale of Beer and Wine for Off-Premise Consumption Only in Justice of the Peace Precinct #4, Matagorda County, TX to be held on May 9, 2015

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 the Notice of Special Election to Legalize the Sale of Beer and Wine for Off-Premise Consumption Only in Justice of the Peace Precinct #4, Matagorda County, TX to be held on May 9, 2015. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to discuss Markham Volunteer Fire Department's counter proposal to the 2015-2016 Fire Fighting Agreement between them and Matagorda County

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

16. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

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

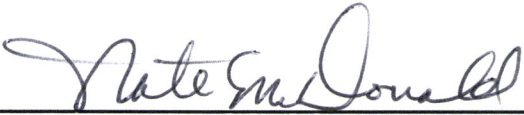
17. Public Comments

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

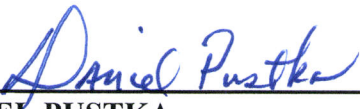
18. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:43 a.m. by Commissioner Gibson 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 6th day of April, 2015.



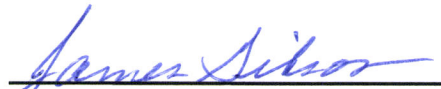
**NATE McDONALD,
County Judge**



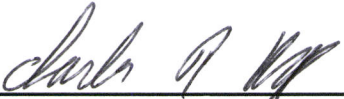
**DANIEL PUSTKA,
Commissioner Precinct No. One**




**KENT POLLARD, Judge Pro Tem
Commissioner Precinct No. Two**



**JAMES GIBSON,
Commissioner Precinct No. Three**



**CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK,
Commissioner Precinct No. Four**

ATTEST: 
Janet Hickl, County Clerk

