

**MINUTES**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300**  
**1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414**  
**9:30 A.M., MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021**

**Call to Order**

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, August 23, 2021, 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: Kristen Kubecka, Jennifer Chau, Loretta Griffin, Mike Reddell, Amanda Campos, Skipper Osborne, Tressa Leadford, Viviana Castillo, Anthony Maenza, Ernest Lawson, Tom Kovar, Crystal Morones and Stephanie Wurtz.

**1. Certification of quorum**

County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Pollard, Commissioner Shimek and Commissioner Frick.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Frick**

**3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Frick**

**4. Prayer – Commissioner Shimek**

**5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner's Court Minutes for August 16, 2021**

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 August 16, 2021. 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. Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. to discuss the 2022 Matagorda County Budget**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to enter into a Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. to discuss the 2022 Matagorda County Budget. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

At 9:52 a.m., motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to enter back into regular session of Commissioners Court. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**8. Consideration and possible action to approve the Jackson Electric Cooperative, Inc. Application for Membership and Electrical Service and authorize the County to sign**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve the Jackson Electric Cooperative, Inc. Application for Membership and Electrical Service and authorize the County to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**9. Consideration and possible action to approve the HGACBuy Contract No. EM06-19 to purchase a CASE 580N 4WD ROPS Tractor Loader Backhoe for Matagorda County, Precinct #3**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve the HGACBuy Contract No. EM06-19 to purchase a CASE 580N 4WD ROPS Tractor Loader Backhoe for Matagorda County, Precinct #3. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**10. Consideration and possible action to approve the addition of policy 3.11.1 to the Matagorda County Personnel Policy Manual regarding Quarantine Leave for First Responders based on HB2073 requiring counties to have a quarantine policy in place for the named first responders**

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 addition of policy 3.11.1 to the Matagorda County Personnel Policy Manual regarding Quarantine Leave for First Responders based on HB2073 requiring counties to have a quarantine policy in place for the named first responders. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**11. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Emergency Management and Precinct #2**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Emergency Management and Precinct #2. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**12. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Quarterly Investment Report for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021**

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 Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Quarterly Investment Report for 2nd Quarter 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**13. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for July 2021**

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 Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for July 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**14. 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 Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**15. 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 Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. **Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments**

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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. **Meet in Executive Session:**

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

**Under Section 551.086 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 conducting economic development negotiations**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 9:55 a.m. by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, 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 county in an executive session regarding a contract being negotiated

Under Section 551.086 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 conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. **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 county in an executive session regarding a contract being negotiated**

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This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:12 a.m. by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

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

Under Section 551.086 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 conducting economic development negotiations

Motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement with regards to Project Helix. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

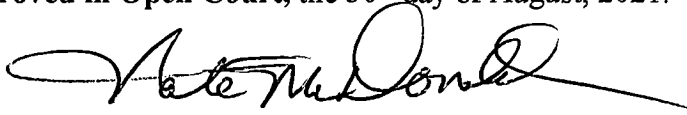
19. **Public Comments**

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

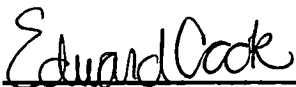
20. **Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:14 a.m. by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.



**NATE McDONALD**  
County Judge



**EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK**  
Commissioner Precinct No. One



**KENT POLLARD**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

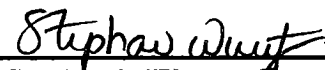


**TROY SHIMEK**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



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

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

