

**MINUTES**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300**  
**1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414**  
**9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023**

**Call to Order**

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, July 24, 2023, 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: Kristen Kubecka, Jennifer Chau, Rick DeLeon, Mike Ferdinand, Ashley Brooking, Lisa Krobot, Jessica Russell, Clay Cook, Rachele Rawlings, Becky Cook, Cynthia Raleigh, Mike Spillers, Chris Peikert, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Robert Thmopson, Mike Reddell, Alexandria Longoria and Maggie Perez.

**1. Certification of quorum**

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

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

**3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Cook**

**4. Prayer – Commissioner Frick**

**5. Public Comments**

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

**6. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner's Court Minutes for July 10, 2023 and July 17, 2023**

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 Commissioner's Court Minutes for July 10, 2023 and July 17, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**7. 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.

**8. Consideration and possible action to purchase through BuyBoard Contract 685-22 a 2023 Hyundai HL940ATM and to award a demand check in the amount of \$188, 444.18, to Nueces Power Equipment for Matagorda County Precinct 3**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to purchase through BuyBoard Contract 685-22 a 2023 Hyundai HL940ATM and to award a demand check in the amount of \$188, 444.18, to Nueces Power Equipment for Matagorda County Precinct 3. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**9. Consideration and possible action to appoint Patsy Gibson for Wharton-Matagorda County Child Protective Services Board to complete term 01/01/2022-12/31/2024**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to appoint Patsy Gibson for Wharton-Matagorda County Child Protective Services Board to complete term 01/01/2022-12/31/2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**10. Consideration and possible action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Matagorda County, Matagorda County Drainage District #1, and Matagorda County Precinct #2 in regards to the repair or reconstruction of a bridge located on Carancahua Road, also known as County Road 201, in Matagorda County, Texas**

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

**11. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2023-2024 fully insured Life/AD&D and self-funded ASO Medical /Dental Plan to Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool, TAC HEBP, effective 10/01/2023 and authorize the County Judge to initial and sign**

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 2023-2024 fully insured Life/AD&D and self-funded ASO Medical /Dental Plan to Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool, TAC HEBP, effective 10/01/2023 and authorize the County Judge to initial and sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**12. Consideration and possible action to approve an Agreement between Matagorda County and Susan Reed regarding Consulting Services for Financial Training to be provided to the Matagorda County Tax Assessor's Office, as amended**

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 an Agreement between Matagorda County and Susan Reed regarding Consulting Services for Financial Training to be provided to the Matagorda County Tax Assessor's Office, as amended. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

In addition, a motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek to amend Item #12, Section 7 of the Agreement, changing the total maximum sum from \$3,500 to \$50,000. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**13. Consideration and possible action to approve the City of Bay City Commercial Utilities Activation application related to Commercial Water and authorize Precinct #1 Commissioner, Edward Cook to sign**

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 City of Bay City Commercial Utilities Activation application related to Commercial Water and authorize Precinct #1 Commissioner, Edward Cook to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**14. Consideration and possible action to approve the job description for job number 1743, Deputy Sheriff – County Facilities Security**

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 job description for job number 1743, Deputy Sheriff – County Facilities Security. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**15. Consideration and possible action to accept the Notice of Termination by City of Palacios for Lease of the Matagorda County Annex**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to accept the Notice of Termination by City of Palacios for Lease of the Matagorda County Annex. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**16. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly report for June 2023**

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 Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly report for June 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**17. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2 and County Clerk's Office**

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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2 and County Clerk's Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

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 Payment of Bills. 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 Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**20. Meet in Executive Session:**

**Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matter**

**Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee**

**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 9:50 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matter

Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment,

employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

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 carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

**Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matter**

**Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee**

**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 11:08 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matter

Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

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 Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to grant Employee #2349 benefit for claim #305203156630C. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. **Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 11:11 a.m. by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2023.

*Bobby Seiferman*

**BOBBY SEIFERMAN**

County Judge

*E Cook*

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

*Mike Estlinbaum*

**MIKE ESTLINBAUM**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

*Troy Shimek*

**TROY SHIMEK**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

*Charles "Bubba" Frick*

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

ATTEST:

*Stephanie Wurtz*  
Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

