

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, June 19, 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, Skipper Osborne, Mike Reddell, Ashley Brooking, Lori Murphree, Jennifer Chau, Amanda Campos, Chris Peikert, Mike Ferdinand, Becky Cook, Rick DeLeon, Mike Spillers, Shelby Storts and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. **Certification of quorum**

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

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

3. **Texas Pledge – Commissioner Estlinbaum**

4. **Prayer – Commissioner Cook**

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 June 12, 2023**

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 Commissioner's Court Minutes for June 12, 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 approve an application sponsored by the Matagorda County Historical Commission for a historical marker for the Japanese Farmers in Matagorda County, Texas**

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 an application sponsored by the Matagorda County Historical Commission for a historical marker for the Japanese Farmers in Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve appointing Judge Bobby Seiferman as a voting member and Palacios Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Pam Oliver as a non-voting member to the recently expanded Regional Economic Development Advisory Committee under the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve appointing Judge Bobby Seiferman as a voting member and Palacios Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Pam Oliver as a non-voting member to the recently expanded Regional Economic Development Advisory Committee under the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the hiring of Patricia "Mindy" Hefter as the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 6 Court Clerk to replace Kelly Hubbard at a rate of \$14.13 an hour effective 06/15/2023

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve the hiring of Patricia "Mindy" Hefter as the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 6 Court Clerk to replace Kelly Hubbard at a rate of \$14.13 an hour effective 06/15/2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve the hiring of Alexandria Longoria as the Commissioner's Court Secretary to replace Miranda Ortiz at a rate of \$14.50 an hour effective 06/15/2023

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the hiring of Alexandria Longoria as the Commissioner's Court Secretary to replace Miranda Ortiz at a rate of \$14.50 an hour effective 06/15/2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to declare the following items as surplus and authorize disposal: JD 7130 Tractor (Asset ID: 437, Serial # L071310B613948), JD 6403 Tractor (Asset ID: 434, Serial # P06403X003338), JD CX-15 Rotary Shredder (Asset: 10015, Serial # 1P0CX15EHGF048644)

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to declare the following items as surplus and authorize disposal: JD 7130 Tractor (Asset ID: 437, Serial # L071310B613948), JD 6403 Tractor (Asset ID: 434, Serial # P06403X003338), JD CX-15 Rotary Shredder (Asset: 10015, Serial # 1P0CX15EHGF048644). Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to authorize Commissioner Charles Frick to purchase a 2023 John Deere utility tractor Model # 5105M reflecting trades utilizing HGAC buy contract #GR01-20 from Shoppa's Farm Supply (Deere & Company) and authorize Commissioner Frick to sign all related documents

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to authorize Commissioner Charles Frick to purchase a 2023 John Deere utility tractor Model # 5105M reflecting trades utilizing HGAC buy contract #GR01-20 from Shoppa's Farm Supply (Deere & Company) and authorize Commissioner Frick to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #3, Precinct #4 and Tax Office

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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #3, Precinct #4 and Tax Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

16. **Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Demand Checks**

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

17. **Meet in Executive Session:**

Under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offers

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 9:45 a.m. by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offers

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

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

Under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offers

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 11:32 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offers


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


19. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 11:34 a.m. by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays


Approved in Open Court, the 26th day of June, 2023.




BOBBY SEIFERMAN
County Judge



EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK
Commissioner Precinct No. One



MIKE ESTLINBAUM
Commissioner Precinct No. Two



TROY SHIMEK
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: _____
Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk