

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, March 9, 2020, 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, Kay Cooper, Skipper Osborne, Chris Peikert, Mike Ferdinand, Jessica Russell, Doug Matthes, Loretta Griffin, Mike Reddell, Bubba Cook, Tressa Leadford, Jimmy Galvan, Tommy Bradl, Becca Sitz, Shelby Storts and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

Commissioner Gibson, Judge Pro-Tem certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Graham, Commissioner Frick and Commissioner Pollard. County Judge McDonald was absent.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Graham

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Graham

4. Prayer – Commissioner Frick

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner's Court Minutes for March 2, 2020

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 Commissioner's Court Minutes for March 2, 2020. Motion carried. Vote 4 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. Presentation of the US Census Bureau, by Tommy Bradl

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

8. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Tressa Leadford, HR & Payroll Director, in the amount of \$60.00 per month, according to county policies and procedures

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9. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Deputy Sheriff Matthew Martin, in the amount of \$60.00 per month, according to county policies and procedures

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 a Cellular Phone Allowance for Deputy Sheriff Matthew Martin, in the amount of \$60.00 per month, according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for Jail Sergeant Barbara Eastman, in the amount of \$60.00 per month, according to county policies and procedures

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 a Cellular Phone Allowance for Jail Sergeant Barbara Eastman, in the amount of \$60.00 per month, according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to release a County Road Bond in the amount of \$150,000, secured by United States Fire Insurance Company for Newman Operating Company, for CR 166 in Precinct #1

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to release a County Road Bond in the amount of \$150,000, secured by United States Fire Insurance Company for Newman Operating Company, for CR 166 in Precinct #1. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the purchase of 22 laptops with Windows 10 LTSC 2019 Operating System licenses, to be used in conjunction with VOTEC software, and to be paid out of 010-55700-490 Election costs equipment fund

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13. Consideration and possible action to approve an Affidavit HDM County Grant by the Texas Department of Agriculture Texans feeding Texans for the Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program Year 2019 and allow the County Judge to sign

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14. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resale Deed for Resale of Tax Lien Foreclosure Property Cause No. T17,000 and allow the County Judge to sign

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15. Consideration and possible action to Order the Partial Abandonment of the following unimproved roadway situated in the Original Townsite of Matagorda, Matagorda County, Texas pursuant to §251.058 of the Texas Transportation Code. That portion of roadway being a certain .58 acre tract of land lying and situated in the E. R. Wightman League Abstract No. 101, more particularly being part of

the platted 83.34 foot wide Pleasant Street, located between Block 5, Tier 5, Northwest Fraction and Block 5, Tier 4, Northwest Fraction of Matagorda Townsite, Volume 1, Page 35 of Matagorda County, Texas Plat Records. Described in metes and bounds by attached Exhibit "A" consisting of Pleasant Street Tract 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (labeled for purposes of this abandonment only) to this agenda request. Once abandoned, the Court further directs the County Clerk to index the order in the County Deed Records in a manner that describes the County conveying the property as Grantor and Grantees receiving the conveyance, as follows:

- A. Pleasant Street Tract 1 dimensions in Exhibit "A" shall vest in Tier 5, Lot 1, Block 5, owner Don Simons**
- B. Pleasant Street Tract 2 dimensions in Exhibit "A" shall vest in Tier 5, Lot 2, Block 5, owner Don Simons**
- C. Pleasant Street Tract 3 dimensions in Exhibit "A" shall vest in Tier 4, Lot 6, Block 5, owner Don Simons**
- D. Pleasant Street Tract 4 dimensions in Exhibit "A" shall vest in Tier 4, Lot 5, Block 5, owner Don Simons**
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Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to Order the Partial Abandonment of the following unimproved roadway situated in the Original Townsite of Matagorda, Matagorda County, Texas pursuant to §251.058 of the Texas Transportation Code. That portion of roadway being a certain .80 acre tract of

land lying and situated in the E. R. Wightman League Abstract No. 101, more particularly being part of the platted 69.44 foot wide Peach Street, located between Block 4, Tier 7, Northwest Fraction and Block 5, Tier 7, Northwest Fraction of Matagorda Townsite, Volume 1, Page 35 of Matagorda County, Texas Plat Records. Described in metes and bounds by attached Exhibit "A" consisting of Peach Street Tract 2, 3, 4 and 5 (labeled for purposes of this abandonment only) to this agenda request. Once abandoned, the Court further directs the County Clerk to index the order in the County Deed Records in a manner that describes the County conveying the property as Grantor and Grantees receiving the conveyance, as follows:

- A. Peach Street Tract 2 dimensions in Exhibit "A" shall vest in Tier 7, Lot 4, Block 4, owner Don Simons
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Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Demand Checks

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 Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

18. **Meet in Executive Session:**

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information 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 9:54 a.m. by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information 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 4 ayes 0 nays

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

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information 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 10:27 a.m. by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information 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 4 ayes 0 nays

20. **Public Comments**

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

21. **Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:28 a.m. by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, the 16th day of March, 2020.



NATE McDONALD
County Judge



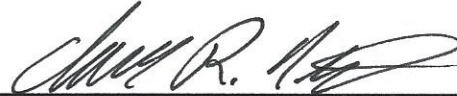
GARY GRAHAM
Commissioner Precinct No. One



KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two
Judge Pro Tem

absent

JAMES GIBSON
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

