#### **MINUTES**

### MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300 1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414 9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024

#### Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:31 A.M., Monday, May 20, 2024, 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: Jennifer Chau, Kristen Kubecka, Skipper Osborne, Lisa Krobot, Mike Reddell, Ashley Brooking, Meagan Ramirez, Doug Matthes, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Kanita Robinson, Chris Peikert, Mike Spillers, Ricky Bort, Brad Smith, Amy Nowlin, Mike Ferdinand, Michele Morales, Matt Glaze, Shelby Storts and Stephanie Wurtz.

### 1. <u>Certification of quorum</u>

County Judge Seiferman certified a quorum 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. <u>Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner's Court Minutes for May 13,</u> 2024

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 May 13, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 7. <u>Consideration and possible action regarding contracts for the use of the Matagorda County</u> Fairgrounds facilities

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

## 8. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve the hiring of John Faris as a Facilities Maintenance Assistant starting at \$16.00 per hour effective May 28, 2024</u>

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 the hiring of John Faris as a Facilities Maintenance Assistant starting at \$16.00 per hour effective May 28, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 9. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve the hiring of John Miles as a Reserve Deputy Constable for Matagorda County Constable, Precinct #6 starting at \$15.00 per hour effective May 23, 2024</u>

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 the hiring of John Miles as a Reserve Deputy Constable for Matagorda County Constable, Precinct #6 starting at \$15.00 per hour effective May 23, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 10. <u>Consideration and possible action to authorize the publication of a request for bids in relation to the Counties (SETH) Southeast Housing Grant Funds</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to authorize the publication of a request for bids in relation to the Counties (SETH) Southeast Housing Grant Funds. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 11. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract with Bay City Pro Cleaning for the County Tax Office Building and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign</u>

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 a Contract with Bay City Pro Cleaning for the County Tax Office Building and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 12. <u>Consideration and possible action to accept or reject the Road and Bridge Department Permit Bond from M.P.G. Pipeline Contractors, LLC on behalf of the Road Use Agreement between Matagorda County and Bangl, LLC approved on April 8, 2024</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to accept the Road and Bridge Department Permit Bond from M.P.G. Pipeline Contractors, LLC on behalf of the Road Use Agreement between Matagorda County and Bangl, LLC approved on April 8, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 13. <u>Consideration and possible action to authorize the County Judge to sign as the Community Representative for the Texas Semiconductor Innovative Fund Application</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to authorize the County Judge to sign as the Community Representative for the Texas Semiconductor Innovative Fund Application. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 14. Consideration and possible action to approve an Engineering Services Agreement between Matagorda County and Urban Engineering, pertaining to Texas Department of Agriculture Community Development Block Grant, CDV23-0293 Project and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents

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 an Engineering Services Agreement between Matagorda County and Urban Engineering, pertaining to Texas Department of Agriculture Community Development Block Grant, CDV23-0293 Project and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 15. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution to designate authorized signatories pertaining to the Texas Department of Agriculture Community Development Block Grant, CDV23-0293 Project</u>

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 a Resolution to designate authorized signatories

pertaining to the Texas Department of Agriculture Community Development Block Grant, CDV23-0293 Project. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

# 16. Consideration and possible action to allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign the Application for Unclaimed Property Capital Credits for Counties in conjunction with Local Government Code, Section 381.004, Texas Property Code, Section 74.602 authorizing the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts to allocate a portion of the Unclaimed Capital Credits received from Election Cooperatives back to the Counties in the Cooperatives' service area

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## 17. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #3 and Sheriff's Office</u>

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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #3 and Sheriff's Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 18. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for April 2024</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for April 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 19. Consideration and possible action to ratify Demand Checks dated 05/14/2024

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to ratify Demand Checks dated 05/14/2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 20. 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

### 21. Meet in Executive Session:

<u>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</u>

<u>Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property</u>

<u>Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session regarding deliberation of contract being negotiated</u>

<u>Under Section 551.074(a)(1)</u> 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 Cook 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 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

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

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Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

<u>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</u>

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This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 11:16 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

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Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 23. Adjournment

At approximately 11:18 a.m. Judge Seiferman adjourned the meeting.

### **Approved in Open Court,** the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

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

GORDA COUNT