

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, November 20, 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 (via Zoom).

Others present were as follows: Kristen Kubecka, Jennifer Chau, Skipper Osborne, Doug Schoppe, Meagan Ramirez, Loretta Griffin, Mike Reddell, Ashley Brooking, Mike Ferdinand, Rick DeLeon, Mitch Thames, Tressa Leadford, Greg Baker, Chris Peikert, Becky Cook, Becca Sitz, Jessica Russell, Mike Spillers, Alexandria Longoria and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

County Judge Seiferman certified a quorum (via Zoom teleconference) 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 November 13, 2023

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 November 13, 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 Canvass the November 7, 2023 Special Constitutional Amendment Election

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to Canvass the November 7, 2023 Special Constitutional Amendment Election. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proposal from R&M Telephone Service to replace existing AT&T telephone equipment and service

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 a Proposal from R&M Telephone Service to replace existing AT&T telephone equipment and service. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the transfer of AMG Hummer from Matagorda Volunteer Fire Department to Collegeport Volunteer Fire Department. AMG #126943 LP 133-4121

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 transfer of AMG Hummer from Matagorda Volunteer Fire Department to Collegeport Volunteer Fire Department. AMG #126943 LP 133-4121. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve a Federal Excise Tax Exemption Certificate from U.S. Bank Voyager Fleet Cards, for fuel purchases for the District Attorney's Office covering January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to 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 a Federal Excise Tax Exemption Certificate from U.S. Bank Voyager Fleet Cards, for fuel purchases for the District Attorney's Office covering January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the hiring of Irene Campos as a Full-Time Jailer for Matagorda County Sheriff's Office at a rate of \$19.74 due to her prior experience, effective 11/20/2023

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the hiring of Irene Campos as a Full-Time Jailer for Matagorda County Sheriff's Office at a rate of \$19.74 due to her prior experience, effective 11/20/2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2023 annual payment of \$1,000.00 made payable to the Sargent Volunteer Fire Department for electricity cost related to Justice of the Peace #6

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 2023 annual payment of \$1,000.00 made payable to the Sargent Volunteer Fire Department for electricity cost related to Justice of the Peace #6. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve a Declaration of Disaster for Shrimp Dumping Renewal beginning on November 20, 2023 and ending on January 8, 2024, and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign

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 a Declaration of Disaster for Shrimp Dumping Renewal beginning on November 20, 2023 and ending on January 8, 2024, and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve a Declaration of Disaster for Border Crimes Renewal beginning on November 20, 2023 and ending on January 8, 2024, and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign

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 a Declaration of Disaster for Border Crimes Renewal beginning on November 20, 2023 and ending on January 8, 2024, and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. regarding the approval of the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone – Industrial Bravo Project, LLC and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to enter into a Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. to approval of the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone – Industrial Bravo Project, LLC. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

At 9:49 a.m., motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to enter back into regular session of Commissioners Court. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to adopt the Designation of the Project Motion Reinvestment Zone

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to adopt the Designation of the Project Motion Reinvestment Zone. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to set a Public Hearing on Monday, January 15, 2024, regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with HIF USA, LLC and allow notice of publication of such

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to set a Public Hearing on Monday, January 15, 2024, regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with HIF USA, LLC and allow notice of publication of such. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #2, Justice of the Peace #4 and Sheriff's Department

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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #2, Justice of the Peace #4 and Sheriff's Department. 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 Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

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 Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 9:54 a.m. by Commissioner Cook 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 27th day of November, 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

