Call to Order

This Regular Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners’ Court was called to order at 9:31 A.M., Monday, August 21, 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, Skipper Osborne, Lisa Krobot, Amanda Campos, Mike Reddell, Meagan Ramirez, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Ashley Brookings, Rick DeLeon, Mike Spillers, Mike Ferdinand, Alexandria Longoria and Stephanie Wurtz.

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 August 14, 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 August 14, 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 the Rental Agreement for Cedar Lane Community Center revised on August 2, 2023
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the Rental Agreement for Cedar Lane Community Center revised on August 2, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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9. Consideration and possible action to approve the Rental Agreement for Van Vleck Community Center revised on August 10, 2023

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 Rental Agreement for Van Vleck Community Center revised on August 10, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to accept a contribution in the amount of $200.00 from Sure Nuff Septic Services, LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 14, 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 accept a contribution in the amount of $200.00 from Sure Nuff Septic Services, LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 14, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to accept a contribution in the amount of $200.00 from RNR Septic & Maintenance, LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 14, 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 accept a contribution in the amount of $200.00 from RNR Septic & Maintenance, LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 14, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to accept a contribution in the amount of $2000.00 from Celanese, CNA Holding, LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 14, 2023

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to accept a contribution in the amount of $2000.00 from Celanese, CNA Holding, LLC for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 14, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve the Household Hazardous Waste Day Agreement between Matagorda County and Clean Harbors and allow the County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign

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 Household Hazardous Waste Day Agreement between Matagorda County and Clean Harbors and allow the County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve the TDHCA Information Security and Privacy Agreement and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign

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 the TDHCA Information Security and Privacy Agreement and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve the Resolution allowing Matagorda County to participate in the State of Texas Beach Cleaning Program and declare Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum full authority to act for purposes of the Program
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 Resolution allowing Matagorda County to participate in the State of Texas Beach Cleaning Program and declare Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum full authority to act for purposes of the Program. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. **Consideration and possible action to accept a Right of Way or Easement Application for Jackson Electric Cooperative, Inc. to install a 272 ft. overhead power line on Church Lane, Van Vleck, Texas**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept a Right of Way or Easement Application for Jackson Electric Cooperative, Inc. to install a 272 ft. overhead power line on Church Lane, Van Vleck, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. **Consideration and possible action to authorize Commissioner Cook to purchase a 2023 Ram 2500 pickup for $63,223.00 through Grapevine DCJ/BuyBoard**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to authorize Commissioner Cook to purchase a 2023 Ram 2500 pickup for $63,223.00 through Grapevine DCJ/BuyBoard. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. **Consideration and possible action to allow Judge Bobby Seiferman to countersign a letter from Eldora Energy, LLC regarding Matagorda County local ordinances for solar projects or battery facilities**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to allow Judge Bobby Seiferman to countersign a letter from Eldora Energy, LLC regarding Matagorda County local ordinances for solar projects or battery facilities. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. **Consideration and possible action to approve the Contract Amendment between Matagorda County and Substrata, LLC related to Road Material Bid #23-0001 and authorize the County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign**

   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 Contract Amendment between Matagorda County and Substrata, LLC related to Road Material Bid #23-0001 and authorize the County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. **Consideration and possible action to approve the Contract Amendment between Matagorda County and Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC related to Road Material Bid #23-0001 and authorize the County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign**

   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 Contract Amendment between Matagorda County and Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC related to Road Material Bid #23-0001 and authorize the County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. **Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Report for July 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 Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Report for July 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
22. **Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Quarterly Investment Report for 1st Quarter 2023**

   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 Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Quarterly Investment Report for 1st Quarter 2023. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. **Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. to discuss the 2024 Matagorda County Budget**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to enter into a Public Hearing at 9:52 a.m. to discuss the 2024 Matagorda County Budget. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

   At 9:53 a.m., motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to enter back into regular session of Commissioners Court. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

24. **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 Cook, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

25. **Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers**

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

26. **Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments**

   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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

27. **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 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session regarding deliberation of contract being negotiated**

   **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**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 9:55 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, 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 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

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

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

28. **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 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session regarding deliberation of contract being negotiated**

- **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**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:49 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick, 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 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

- 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

Motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve payment to TCDRS for Employee # 2765 in the amount of $5, 937.84. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

29. **Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:51 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
Approved in Open Court, the 28th day of August, 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