MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019

Call to Order
This Regular Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners’ Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M.,
Monday, December 16, 2019, 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: Denise Fortenberry, Karla Lewis, Carmen Andrews, Steven Johnson, Jimmy
Galvan, Mike Ferdinand, Jessica Russell, Samantha Denbow, Denise Grisham, Aaron Sumrall, Gabrielle
Washington, Nicole Pilsen, Tiffany Cervantes, Amanda Campos, Mike Reddell, Skipper Osborne, Lisa Kroboth,
Crystal Morones, and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum
   County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Frick, Commissioner
   Graham and Commissioner Pollard. Commissioner Gibson 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 December
   9, 2019
   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 December 9,
   2019. 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, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by
   Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve two contracts for the use of Matagorda County
   Fairgrounds facilities. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

7. Consideration and possible action to approve the renewal Agreement for EMS Director FY 2020-2021
   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 the renewal Agreement for EMS Director FY 2020-
   2021. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
8. **Consideration and possible action to approve an Agreement between Matagorda County and Linda Lee Landers to assist Precinct #4 to manage and maintain the Markham Community Center for a term beginning January 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 2021, in the amount of $200.00 per month**

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 an Agreement between Matagorda County and Linda Lee Landers to assist Precinct #4 to manage and maintain the Markham Community Center for a term beginning January 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 2021, in the amount of $200.00 per month. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

9. **Consideration and possible action to approve the Board Appointments of Dianna Kile and Tena Frick to the Wharton-Matagorda County Child Protective Services Board, 01/01/2020 through 12/31/2022**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the Board Appointments of Dianna Kile and Tena Frick to the Wharton-Matagorda County Child Protective Services Board, 01/01/2020 through 12/31/2022. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. **Consideration and possible action to publicly refuse the dedication of public right of ways in the September 9, 2019, Replat of Lots 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and the South 40 Feet of Lot 5 of Southern Estates**

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

11. **Consideration and possible action to approve Cellular Phone Allowance authorization beginning December 2, 2019, for Ginger Iovanna, Executive Secretary to the County Attorney**

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 Cellular Phone Allowance authorization beginning December 2, 2019, for Ginger Iovanna, Executive Secretary to the County Attorney. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. **Consideration and possible action to accept the Asset Forfeiture Report FY 2019**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to accept the Asset Forfeiture Report FY 2019. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

13. **Consideration and possible action to approve Bank Drafts**

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 Bank Drafts. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

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

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 4 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 Graham and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. **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 Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17. **Meet in Executive Session:**

Under section 551.0785 of the Texas Government Code to discuss a matter involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals, as a governmental body that administers a self-funded health plan

Under section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:11 a.m. by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under section 551.0785 of the Texas Government Code to discuss a matter involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals, as a governmental body that administers a self-funded health plan

Under section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter

Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

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

Under section 551.0785 of the Texas Government Code to discuss a matter involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals, as a governmental body that administers a self-funded health plan

Under section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:47 a.m. by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under section 551.0785 of the Texas Government Code to discuss a matter involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals, as a governmental body that administers a self-funded health plan

Under section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter

Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

22. **Public Comments**

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

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:48 a.m. by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

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Approved in Open Court, the 23rd day of December, 2019.

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NATE MCDONALD
County Judge

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GARY GRAHAM
Commissioner Precinct No. One

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JAMES GIBSON
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

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KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two
Judge Pro Tem

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CHARLES “BUBBA” FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: ________________________
Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

By: ___________________________________
Maggie Perez, Chief Deputy