MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024

Call to Order
This Regular Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners’ Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, February 26, 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, Meagan Ramirez, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Chris Peikert, Amanda Campos, David Miles, Doug Schoppe, Jason Sanders, Jessica Shepard, Ashley Brooking, Ricky Bort, Whitney Fogle, Dan Shook, Becky Cook, Suzanne Sullivan, Mark Finlay, Jim Powell, Lisa Krubot, Skipper Osborne, Erik Frankson, Alexandria Longoria and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum
County Judge Seiferman certified a quorum with Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Estlinbaum and Commissioner Frick. Commissioner Shimek was absent.

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. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner’s Court Minutes for February 12, 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 approve Commissioner’s Court Minutes for February 12, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 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 an Election Services Contract between the County Election Officer of Matagorda County and Caney Creek Municipal Utility District for a General Election to be held May 4, 2024
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 an Election Services Contract between the County Election Officer of Matagorda County and Caney Creek Municipal Utility District for a General Election to be held May 4, 2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
9. Consideration and possible action to appoint Vince Bryant in place of Willie Greer to the Texana Center Board of Directors effective 02/26/2024 through 02/26/2026

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to appoint Vince Bryant in place of Willie Greer to the Texana Center Board of Directors effective 02/26/2024 through 02/26/2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to reappoint both Gary Koeppen and Willie Younger to the Matagorda County Conservation & Reclamation District No. 1 Board effective 02/26/2024 through 02/26/2026

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to reappoint both Gary Koeppen and Willie Younger to the Matagorda County Conservation & Reclamation District No. 1 Board effective 02/26/2024 through 02/26/2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to reimburse the City of Bay City for the Volunteer Fire Department Pager Project

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to reimburse the City of Bay City for the Volunteer Fire Department Pager Project. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to declare the following vehicles as salvage and authorize to be sold at auction: 2015 Dodge Ram Pick-up VIN #1C6RR7XT9FS557290 and 2016 Dodge Ram Pick-up VIN #1C6RR7XT6GS197283. Processed to be placed in 010-55700-560

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to declare the following vehicles as salvage and authorize to be sold at auction: 2015 Dodge Ram Pick-up VIN #1C6RR7XT9FS557290 and 2016 Dodge Ram Pick-up VIN #1C6RR7XT6GS197283. Processed to be placed in 010-55700-560. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve a Credit Application with GT Distributors, Inc., related to the Precinct #1 Constables Office and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign all related documents

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 Credit Application with GT Distributors, Inc., related to the Precinct #1 Constables Office and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve a Replat of Lot 3, Block 4, Tier 4, Colorado Front of the Matagorda Townsite, Matagorda County, Texas

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 a Replat of Lot 3, Block 4, Tier 4, Colorado Front of the Matagorda Townsite, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract Agreement with Granite Government Solutions Service with an annual amount of $154,000 for Matagorda County Just of the Peace, Pct. 2

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 a Contract Agreement with Granite Government
Solutions Service with an annual amount of $154.00 for Matagorda County Just of the Peace, Pct. 2. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract between Matagorda County and the Department of EMS Director Agreement FY 2024-2025 allowing 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 approve a Contract between Matagorda County and the Department of EMS Director Agreement FY 2024-2025 allowing County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17. **Consideration and possible action to approve a second extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for Border Crimes beginning on February 26, 2024 and ending on April 1, 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 Frick, with all others concurring, to approve a second extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for Border Crimes beginning on February 26, 2024 and ending on April 1, 2024, and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

18. **Consideration and possible action to approve the Stericycle Agreement between Matagorda County and the Tax Office and allow the County Attorney to electronically sign**
   
   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 the Stericycle Agreement between Matagorda County and the Tax Office and allow the County Attorney to electronically sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

19. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract Agreement between Matagorda County and Sargent Volunteer Fire Department FY 2024-2025 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 approve a Contract Agreement between Matagorda County and Sargent Volunteer Fire Department FY 2024-2025 and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

20. **Consideration and possible action to accept an Application for Utility Installation in County Right-of-Way or Easement for Seifert Welding & Construction, Inc. to install a secondary underground power cable in Selkirk Drive**
   
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to accept an Application for Utility Installation in County Right-of-Way or Easement for Seifert Welding & Construction, Inc. to install a secondary underground power cable in Selkirk Drive. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

21. **Consideration and possible action to allow Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum to sign an Affidavit regarding the G.P. Hardy 1,214.999 acres and 39.178 acres all of which is in the M.R. Williams League, Matagorda County, Texas**
   
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to allow Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum to sign an Affidavit regarding the G.P. Hardy 1,214.999 acres and 39.178 acres all of which is in the M.R. Williams League, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
22. **Consideration and possible action to declare the following equipment as to be auctioned online through GovDeals.com and authorize publication**
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to declare the following equipment as to be auctioned online through GovDeals.com and authorize publication. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

23. **Consideration and possible action to accept the 2023 Wadsworth Community Center’s Annual Report dated 02/26/2024**
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept the 2023 Wadsworth Community Center’s Annual Report dated 02/26/2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

24. **Consideration and possible action to ratify all related documents pertaining to the Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant (2023) – MCCRD Levee Improvement Project:**
   1. Letter of Commitment
   2. Assurances Construction Programs
   3. Application for Federal Assistance SF-424
   4. Resolution Designating SAR

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to ratify all related documents pertaining to the Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant (2023) – MCCRD Levee Improvement Project:
   1. Assurances Construction Programs
   2. Application for Federal Assistance SF-424
   3. Resolution Designating SAR

   Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

25. **Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2, County Attorney, County Tax Office, County Clerk, District Clerk and District Attorney**
   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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2, County Attorney, County Tax Office, County Clerk, District Clerk and District Attorney. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

26. **Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Investment Report for January 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 approve Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Investment Report for January 2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

27. **Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Report for January 2024**
   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 Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Report for January 2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
28. **Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Demand Checks**
   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 Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

29. **Consideration and possible action to ratify the Payment of Bills dated 02/16/2024**
   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 the Payment of Bills dated 02/16/2024. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

30. **Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments**
   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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

31. **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

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:04 a.m. by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Cook, 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 4 ayes 0 nays

32. **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 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

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 11:42 a.m. by Commissioner Cook 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

Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

33. **Adjournment**

   Motion was duly made at approximately 11:43 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
Approved in Open Court, the 4th day of March, 2024.

BOBBY SEIFERMAN
County Judge

EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK
Commissioner Precinct No. One

MIKE ESSLINBAUM
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

TROY SHIMEK
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk