Call to Order

This Regular Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, May 15, 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, Chris Peikert, Skipper Osborne, Mike Reddell, Ashley Brooking, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Meagan Ramirez, Becky Cook, Steven Reis, Mark Morgan, Mike Ferdinand, Mary Savage, Mike Spillers, Rick DeLeon, Mike Ferdinand, Shelby Storts and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum
   County Judge Seiferman certified a quorum in attendance 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 May 8, 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 approve Commissioner’s Court Minutes for May 8, 2023. 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 the promotion of Pam Dekle to Chief Deputy Tax Assessor Collector from Sr. Deputy Tax Assessor Collector Accounting with a salary of $1,624.93 per payroll, effective May 15, 2023
   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 promotion of Pam Dekle to Chief Deputy Tax Assessor Collector from Sr. Deputy Tax Assessor Collector Accounting with a salary of $1,624.93 per payroll, effective May 15, 2023. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
9. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Flag Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.74 acre of land, also known as Tract 1, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, 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 accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Flag Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.74 acre of land, also known as Tract 1, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and (2) unnamed Platted Roadways totaling 1.76 acre of land, also known as Tract 2, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas

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11. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Flag Street, Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 2.08 acres of land, also known as Tract 3, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, 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 accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Flag Street, Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 2.08 acres of land, also known as Tract 3, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 1.34 acres of land, also known as Tract 4, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas

   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 a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 1.34 acres of land, also known as Tract 4, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.99 acre of land, also known as Tract 5, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, 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 accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.99 acre of land, also known as Tract 5, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.99 acre of land, also known as Tract 6, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, 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 accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.99 acre of land, also known as Tract 6, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
15. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.99 acre of land, also known as Tract 7, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, 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 accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.99 acre of land, also known as Tract 7, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.70 acre of land, also known as Tract 8, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, 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 accept a Petition for Abandonment of a Right of Way for portions of Catherine Street and an unnamed Platted Roadway totaling 0.70 acre of land, also known as Tract 8, Elias R. Wightman League, Abstract 101, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve the signing of a Certifications and Assurance Form by County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Sheriff Frank D. “Skipper” Osborne certifying Matagorda County does not have written policy, procedures or agreements that limits or impedes Department of Homeland Security issuance of detainers as required for grant compliance

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18. Consideration and possible action to approve the authorization of Rusty Hook Winery to serve alcoholic beverages on County property for an event with a temporary TABC Permit on Courthouse grounds for every 4th Saturday, May through November, with the understanding that a copy of the approved Permit will be sent to the County Attorney

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 authorization of Rusty Hook Winery to serve alcoholic beverages on County property for an event with a temporary TABC Permit on Courthouse grounds for every 4th Saturday, May through November, with the understanding that a copy of the approved Permit will be sent to the County Attorney. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

19. Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. regarding the approval of the revised Matagorda County Subdivision Policy

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to enter into a Public Hearing at 9:46 a.m. regarding the approval of the revised Matagorda County Subdivision Policy. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

At 9:48 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 4 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to adopt the revised Matagorda County Subdivision Policy
This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to adopt the revised Matagorda County Subdivision Policy. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

21. **Consideration and possible action to approve the Agreement for Consultative Services with ML Forensic Consulting and allow the County Judge to sign**

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

22. **Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Environmental Health, Maintenance, IT, Precinct #1 and Precinct #2**

   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 Invoices from the following Departments: Environmental Health, Maintenance, IT, Precinct #1 and Precinct #2. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

23. **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 Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

24. **Meet in Executive Session:**

   **Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matters**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 9:59 a.m. by Commissioner Frick 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 representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matters

   Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

25. **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 representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matters**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:55 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

   Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney representing the county in an executive session to discuss a real estate matters

   Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

26. **Adjournment**

   Motion was duly made at approximately 10:55 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
Approved in Open Court, the 22nd day of May, 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