Call to Order

This Regular Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners’ Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, October 11, 2021, 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: Kristen Kubecka, Jennifer Chau, Skipper Osborn, Tressa Leadford, Loretta Griffin, Becky Cook, Mike Reddell, Anthony Maenza, Ernest Lawson, Mike Estlinbaum, Mitch Thames, Greg Westmoreland, Doug Heinz, Tony Schum, Scott Hardwick, Viviana Vega, Shelby Storts and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum
   County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Pollard, Commissioner Shimek and Commissioner Frick.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Pollard

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Pollard

4. Prayer – Commissioner Cook

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner’s Court Minutes for October 4, 2021
   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 October 4, 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5 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 Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve one contract for the use of the Matagorda County Fairgrounds facilities. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

7. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proclamation proclaiming the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Matagorda County
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve a Proclamation proclaiming the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve an extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for Hurricane Nicholas beginning on October 11, 2021 and ending on November 8, 2021
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by
Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve an extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for Hurricane Nicholas beginning on October 11, 2021 and ending on November 8, 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. **Consideration and possible action to approve an extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for COVID-19 beginning on October 11, 2021 and ending on November 8, 2021**
   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 an extension of the Matagorda County Declaration of Disaster for COVID-19 beginning on October 11, 2021 and ending on November 8, 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution nominating a Matagorda County representative to be placed on the official ballot for the Matagorda County Appraisal District Board of Directors**
    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 a Resolution nominating David Cobb as the Matagorda County representative to be placed on the official ballot for the Matagorda County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. **Consideration and possible action to ratify a Temporary License/Permit for Alcoholic Beverages at the Matagorda County Birding and Nature Center on October 23, 2021 for the Full Moon Food Truck Festival**
    This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to ratify a Temporary License/Permit for Alcoholic Beverages at the Matagorda County Birding and Nature Center on October 23, 2021 for the Full Moon Food Truck Festival. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. **Consideration and possible action to accept a contribution in the amount of $2,000.00 from OQ Chemicals Corporation for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event that was held on October 9, 2021**
    This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to accept a contribution in the amount of $2,000.00 from OQ Chemicals Corporation for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event that was held on October 9, 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Release of Liability between Precinct #1 and M.P.G. Pipeline Contractors, LLC**
    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 Release of Liability between Precinct #1 and M.P.G. Pipeline Contractors, LLC. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. **Consideration and possible action to declare the following Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office fleet vehicles as salvage and authorize sale at auction: 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe VIN #1GNLCLC2E03DR361109 and Dodge Pickup VIN #1C6RR7XT4GS197282. Proceeds to be applied to 010-55700-560**
    This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to declare the following Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office fleet vehicles as salvage and authorize sale at auction: 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe VIN #1GNLCLC2E03DR361109 and Dodge Pickup VIN #1C6RR7XT4GS197282. Proceeds to be applied to 010-55700-560. Motion carried.
Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. **Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge’s Office, Precinct #4 and Sheriff’s Department**

   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 Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge’s Office, Precinct #4 and Sheriff’s Department. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

   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 Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. **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

18. **Meet in Executive Session:**

   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

   Under Section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to consider and take action regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 9:57 a.m. by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

   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

   Under Section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to consider and take action regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

   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

Under Section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to consider and take action regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 12:44 p.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

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

Under Section 551.086 of the Texas Government Code to consider and take action regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. **Public Comments**
   This being the next item for business, no action required.

21. **Adjournment**
   Motion was duly made at approximately 12:45 p.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
Approved in Open Court, the 18th day of October, 2021.

NATE McDONALD
County Judge

EDWARD “BUBBA” COOK
Commissioner Precinct No. One

KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

TROY SHIMEK
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

CHARLES “BUBBA” FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk