MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021

Call to Order

This Regular Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners’ Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, October 4, 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, Kay Cooper, Skipper Osborne, Loretta Griffin, Chris Peikert, Becky Cook, Shawn Sneath, Ty Kubecka, Ernest Lawson, Denise Grisham, Barbara Graham, Mike Estlinbaum, Christy Elliott, Nadia Stephens, Jessica Russell, Mitch Thames, Tanner Ryman, Viviana Vega, Crystal Morones 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 Shimek

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Shimek

4. Prayer – Commissioner Pollard

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner’s Court Minutes for September 27, 2021
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioner’s Court Minutes for September 27, 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 October 3 – 9, 2021, as National 4-H Week
   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 Proclamation proclaiming October 3 – 9, 2021, as National 4-H Week. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
8. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution certifying that the County has made a grant to Friends of Elderly Citizens, an organization that provides home-delivered meals to homebound persons in the County who are elderly and/or have a disability, in order for them to receive a grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture

   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 certifying that the County has made a grant to Friends of Elderly Citizens, an organization that provides home-delivered meals to homebound persons in the County who are elderly and/or have a disability, in order for them to receive a grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to select administration/project delivery service provider(s) to complete project implementation for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP Act) funding administered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, other Federal or State Agency

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to select GrantWorks as the service provider to complete project implementation for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP Act) funding administered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to hear a presentation by Nadia Stephens from CM Company Auction to discuss the possible auction of all items declared surplus and the vehicles and evidence seized by the local police and sheriff's department

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

11. Consideration and possible action to approve entering into a Professional Services Agreement with Lynn Engineering for design/engineering services related to Sargent Community Center and allow Commissioner Pollard to execute

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve entering into a Professional Services Agreement with Lynn Engineering for design/engineering services related to Sargent Community Center and allow Commissioner Pollard to execute. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to accept the proposed terms from United States Postal Services for a Main Post Office in the township of Matagorda. Any final lease will be subject to review by Matagorda County Attorney, Jennifer Chan and approval of Matagorda County Commissioners Court

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to accept the proposed terms from United States Postal Services for a Main Post Office in the township of Matagorda. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve the Tyler Technologies Amendment to change the SaaS Agreement date from August 1 – July 31 to the new date of January 1 – December 31

   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 Tyler Technologies Amendment to change the SaaS Agreement date from August 1 – July 31 to the new date of January 1 – December 31. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
14. **Consideration and possible action concerning the condition of the County’s Capital asset located on Kilowatt Drive in Bay City, Texas**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept the lowest bid to demolish the County’s Capital asset located on Kilowatt Drive in Bay City, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. **Consideration and possible action to approve the Notice of Election for the 2021 Special Election to be held on November 2, 2021 and authorize the County Judge to sign**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve the Notice of Election for the 2021 Special Election to be held on November 2, 2021 and authorize the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. **Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #3, Precinct #4, County Judge’s Office, District Clerk’s Office and Sheriff’s Department**

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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #3, Precinct #4, County Judge’s Office, District Clerk’s Office and Sheriff’s Department. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. **Consideration and possible action to ratify payment of checks to US Postal Service for September 29, 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 ratify payment of checks to US Postal Service for September 29, 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. **Consideration and possible action to approve Monthly Reports for various County Departments**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to Monthly Reports for various County Departments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

21. **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
22. **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

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:26 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

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. **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

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 11:29 a.m. by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, 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

Motion was duly made by Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to recommend that the County follows the policy of TAC HEBP for prior authorization with regards to the use of Ivermectin to treat COVID-19. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23a. **Consideration and possible action to approve the County to pick up debris from Hurricane Nicholas**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to authorize the County to pick up debris from Hurricane Nicholas to include private roads. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

24. **Public Comments**

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

25. **Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 11:30 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
Approved in Open Court, the 11th 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