Call to Order

This Regular Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners’ Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, September 9, 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: Kristen Kubecka, Denise Fortenberry, Loretta Griffin, Amanda Campos, Lisa Krobot, Skipper Osborne, Michael Ferdinand, Jimmy Galvan, Mike Reddell, Steven Johnson and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. **Certification of quorum**
   County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Frick, Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Graham and Commissioner Pollard.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Pollard**

3. **Texas Pledge – Commissioner Pollard**

4. **Prayer – Commissioner Graham**

5. **Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioner’s Court Minutes August 26, 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 August 26, 2019. 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, no action required

7. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Heavy Load Permit Application by Hilcorp Energy Company to Ingress CR 378 (Brazos Tower Road), CR 373 (Franzen Road), CR 365 (Oyster Lake Road), and CR 376 (LeTulle Loop Road), Egress CR 376 (LeTulle Loop), CR 365 (Oyster Lake Road), CR 373 (Franzen Road) and CR 378 (Brazos Tower Road) in Matagorda County, Texas**
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve a Heavy Load Permit Application by Hilcorp Energy Company to Ingress CR 378 (Brazos Tower Road), CR 373 (Franzen Road), CR 365 (Oyster Lake Road), and CR 376 (LeTulle Loop Road), Egress CR 376 (LeTulle Loop), CR 365 (Oyster Lake Road), CR 373 (Franzen Road) and CR 378 (Brazos Tower Road) in Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5
8. Consideration and possible action to approve a Re-plat of Lots 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and the South 40’ of Lot 5 of Southern Estates, Abstract 170, Matagorda County, Texas
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve a Re-plat of Lots 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and the South 40’ of Lot 5 of Southern Estates, Abstract 170, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to accept a Contribution in the amount of $2,000.00, from Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 19, 2019
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to accept a Contribution in the amount of $2,000.00, from Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP for expenses toward the Matagorda County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event to be held on October 19, 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2020 Holidays for Matagorda County Personnel
    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 2020 Holidays for Matagorda County Personnel. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve a Credit Application for C.C. Creations Company, to authorize the County AgriLife Extension Office to purchase professional attire for the County Extension Agents and staff
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12. Consideration and possible action to accept the Letters of Agreements between Matagorda County and the following entities: Bay City VFD, Markham VFD, Palacios, VFD, Matagorda VFD, Sargent Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Wadsworth VFD, Midfield VFD, Tres Palacios VFD, City of Bay City, City of Palacios, Amateur Radio Station Services, Matagorda County Sheriff’s Department, Tidehaven ISD, Palacios ISD, Bay City ISD, Van Vleck ISD, Matagorda ISD, Matagorda Regional Medical Center, KMK5-FM, Bay City Police Department, and Palacios Police Department to assume the responsibilities as outlined in the Matagorda County Emergency Management Plan
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13. Consideration and possible action to hire Cody Allgaier, Precinct #1, effective September 16, 2019 as a Light Equipment Operator at a rate of $12.50 per hour, due to his experience with Light Equipment.

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to hire Cody Allgaier, Precinct #1, effective September 16, 2019 as a Light Equipment Operator at a rate of $12.50 per hour, due to his experience with Light Equipment. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve the replacement of the Pedestrian Bridge over Cashs Creek at the Blessing Heffelfinger Memorial Park in Blessing, due to the unsafe conditions, by Wakefield Bridge, Inc.

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:04 a.m. by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve the replacement of the Pedestrian Bridge over Cashs Creek at the Blessing Heffelfinger Memorial Park in Blessing, due to the unsafe conditions, by Wakefield Bridge, Inc. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve the Democratic Election Judges and Alternate Judges serving September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020 and setting the number of Election clerks for each Precinct

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 Democratic Election Judges and Alternate Judges serving September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020 and setting the number of Election clerks for each Precinct. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve the Republican Election Judges and Alternate Judges serving September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020 and setting the number of Election Clerks for each Precinct

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 Republican Election Judges and Alternate Judges serving September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020 and setting the number of Election Clerks for each Precinct. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve the purchase of 6 computers with software package and 5 Fujitsu 7160 document scanners, per attached quotes, to be paid out of the County Clerk’s Fund 16 Preservation and Automation Fund for the purpose of maintaining and preserving county records

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18. Consideration and possible action to approve combining Polling Place Locations for the November 5, 2019 Constitutional Amendment Election, and set times for Early Voting and Election Day Voting per attached

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 combining Polling Place Locations for the November 5, 2019 Constitutional Amendment Election, and set times for Early Voting and Election Day Voting per attached. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
19. Consideration and possible action to approve a Credit Application for McCoy’s Building Supply, to authorize Commissioner Gary Graham to purchase hardware, lumber and tools

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 a Credit Application for McCoy’s Building Supply, to authorize Commissioner Gary Graham to purchase hardware, lumber and tools. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to approve the Imposition of Optional Fees for the Calendar Year 2020, with no changes in the amount fees from 2019

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 the Imposition of Optional Fees for the Calendar Year 2020, with no changes in the amount fees from 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to approve an Interlocal Agreement with Lubbock County Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases and permits the County Judge to sign

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 Interlocal Agreement with Lubbock County Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases and permits the County Judge to sign. Motion carried, Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to approve a Cellular Phone Allowance for the Emergency Management Coordinator Amanda Campos, in the amount of $60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures

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 Cellular Phone Allowance for the Emergency Management Coordinator Amanda Campos, in the amount of $60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried, Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Consideration and possible action to accept Matagorda County’s share of Unclaimed Capital Credits from the Texas Comptroller’s Office, in the amount of $33,022.39, and transfer as per Section 381.004 of the Texas Government Code, transfer to Matagorda County Economic Development Corporation for economic development projects in Matagorda County

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24. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Investment Report for July 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 Matagorda County Treasurer’s Office Monthly Investment Report for July 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

25. Consideration and possible action to accept the Internal Review Report for the 2nd quarter 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 Internal Review Report for the 2nd quarter 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
26. **Consideration and possible action to Ratify Demand Checks from September 3, 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 Ratify Demand Checks from September 3, 2019. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

27. **Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Bills**
   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 Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

28. **Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers**
   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 Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

29. **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 Graham, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

31. **Adjournment**
   Motion was duly made at approximately 10:10 a.m. by Commissioner Graham 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 16th day of September, 2019.

NATE MCDONALD
County Judge

GARY GRAHAM
Commissioner Precinct No. One

JAMES GIBSON
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

KENT POLLARD
Commissioner Precinct No. Two
Judge Pro Tem

CHARLES “BUBBA” FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk