Call to Order

This Special Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday the 1st day of April 2013 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: Ellen Dodd, Ruben Gonzales, Sheriff Osborne, Carole Patrick, Cristyn Hallmark, Barry Halvorson, Tammy McDonald, Doug Matthes, Bob Watts, Brent Batchelor, Denise Fortenberry, Barary Fry, Roselyn Pointer, Tom Dunn, Ray Garcia, Owen Bludau, Harriet Townsend and Janet Hickl

1. Certification of quorum

County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Kent Pollard, Commissioner Pustka, Commissioner Woodson and Commissioner James Gibson.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Pollard

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Pollard

4. Prayer – Commissioner Pustka

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners Court Minutes for March 25, 2013

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Woodson and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioners Court Minutes for March 25, 2013. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

6. Consideration and possible action regarding contracts for the use of the Matagorda County Fairground facilities

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve three contracts for the use of the Matagorda County Fairground facilities from Brenda Hernandez, Martha Sanchez Longoria and Fernando and Rita Cruz. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
7. Consideration and possible action to approve a re-plat of Lots 45/46 of Colorado River Estates, Section I, Matagorda County, Texas and being the same tracts of land conveyed to Joel B. & Shelly L. Grimes recorded in County Clerk’s File No. 103895 of the Official records of Matagorda County, Texas and Rod & Reel Properties, LLC recorded in County Clerk’s File No. 127718 of the official records of Matagorda County, Texas and all being out of the Stephen F. Austin Survey, Abstract No. 2, 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 45/46 of Colorado River Estates, Section I, Matagorda County, Texas and being the same tracts of land conveyed to Joel B. & Shelly L. Grimes recorded in County Clerk’s File No. 103895 of the Official records of Matagorda County, Texas and Rod & Reel Properties, LLC recorded in County Clerk’s File No. 127718 of the official records of Matagorda County, Texas and all being out of the Stephen F. Austin Survey, Abstract No. 2, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve a re-plat of Lot 52 of Colorado River Estates, Section II, Recorded in Volume 5, Pages 51-55 of the Plat Records of Matagorda County, Texas and being the same tract of land conveyed to Joel Grimes, Mark Talasek and Ray Sexton recorded in the County Clerk’s File No. 2012-126765 of the Official records of Matagorda County, Texas and all being out of the Stephen F. Austin Survey, Abstract No. 2, 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 Lot 52 of Colorado River Estates, Section II, Recorded in Volume 5, Pages 51-55 of the Plat Records of Matagorda County, Texas and being the same tract of land conveyed to Joel Grimes, Mark Talasek and Ray Sexton recorded in the County Clerk’s File No. 2012-126765 of the Official records of Matagorda County, Texas and all being out of the Stephen F. Austin Survey, Abstract No. 2, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to accept the Bid from Bay City Janitorial/Best Carpet Care for janitorial services for the Courthouse and County of Matagorda Office Building at the negotiated price of $1,650.00 per month for the County of Matagorda Office Building and $3,472.69 per month for the Courthouse

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to accept the Bid from Bay City Janitorial/Best Carpet Care for janitorial services for the Courthouse and County of Matagorda Office Building at the negotiated price of $1,650.00 per month for the County of Matagorda Office Building and $3,472.69 per month for the Courthouse. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proclamation declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month in Matagorda County

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve a Proclamation declaring April as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month in Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
11. Consideration and possible action to create an Economic Development Committee for the sole purpose of gathering information and communicating counter offers between Matagorda County and economic prospects, without the power to bind the county

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Woodson, with all others concurring with Commissioner Pollard abstaining, to create an Economic Development Committee for the sole purpose of gathering information and communicating counter offers between Matagorda County and economic prospects, without the power to bind the county. Committee will consist of Commissioner Pustka, County Attorney Denise Fortenberry, County Auditor Ellen Dodd, County Tax Assessor Collector Cristyn Hallmark, County Judge McDonald, and Owen Bludau. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays 1 abstain

12. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proclamation declaring April as Fair Housing Month in Matagorda County

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Woodson, with all others concurring, to approve a Proclamation declaring April as Fair Housing Month in Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Public Comments

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

15. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 9:52 a.m. by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, this the 8th day of April, 2013.

NATE MCDONALD,
County Judge

DANIEL PUSTKA,
Commissioner Precinct No. One

KENT POLLARD,
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

JAMES GIBSON, Judge Pro Tem
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

DAVID "WOODY" WOODSON,
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: Janet Hickl, County Clerk