MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JULY 1, 2013

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 July 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, Sheriff Osborne, Barry Halvorson, Denise Fortenberry, Bob Watts, Doug Matthes, Gayle Watkins, Jr., Edward Stavinoha, Suzie Thompson, Norne Berning, Chris Peikert, Coy Ramsey, Tammy McDonald, 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 Gibson

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Gibson

4. Prayer – Commissioner Pollard

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners Court Minutes for June 24, 2013
This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Woodson and seconded by Commissioner Pustka, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioners Court Minutes for June 24, 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, no action required.

7. Consideration and possible action to accept a donation from Devon Energy Corporation in the amount of $500.00 for the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office, to be coded to 10-560-336 (Uniforms for Deputies)
This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to accept a donation from Devon Energy Corporation in the amount of $500.00 for the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office, to be coded to 10-560-336 (Uniforms for Deputies). Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
8. **Consideration and possible action to authorize Judge Suzan Thompson, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #2, to hire an individual at a 12-3, due to their experience in a justice court in Matagorda County, including civil and criminal, and also being certified as a Level I Clerk with the State of Texas**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Pustka, with all others concurring, to authorize Judge Suzan Thompson, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #2, to hire an individual at a 12-3, due to their experience in a justice court in Matagorda County, including civil and criminal, and also being certified as a Level I Clerk with the State of Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. **Consideration and possible action to approve 2 Demand checks: 1) to Holiday Inn Express & Suites for $435.05, and 2) to Frank S. Craft for $210.00 for Per Diem for him to attend the class “Continued Education for Constables” to be held July 8 – 12, 2013. The expenses are to be split between the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office (10-560-210) and Constable Precinct #2 (10-552-210), and authorize Bennie Jo Lewis, Administrative Assistant, to pick up these checks from the Treasurer’s Office**

   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Woodson, with all others concurring, to approve 2 Demand checks: 1) to Holiday Inn Express & Suites for $435.05, and 2) to Frank S. Craft for $210.00 for Per Diem for him to attend the class “Continued Education for Constables” to be held July 8 – 12, 2013. The expenses are to be split between the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office (10-560-210) and Constable Precinct #2 (10-552-210), and authorize Bennie Jo Lewis, Administrative Assistant, to pick up these checks from the Treasurer’s Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. **Consideration and possible action to approve and ratify an Interagency Agreement between Matagorda County and the Children’s Advocacy Center, a Program of the Matagorda County Women’s Crisis Center**

    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 and ratify an Interagency Agreement between Matagorda County and the Children’s Advocacy Center, a Program of the Matagorda County Women’s Crisis Center. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays.

11. **Consideration and possible action to approve Amendment #1 to the Tyler Technologies, Inc. Service and Professional Services Agreement dated December 12, 2011, changing the fee schedule and adding items in Schedule 1**

    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 Amendment #1 to the Tyler Technologies, Inc. Service and Professional Services Agreement dated December 12, 2011, changing the fee schedule and adding items in Schedule 1. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. **Consideration and possible action to approve a bid proposal with Gernand Builders Supply, Inc., in the amount of $19,840.00, to install a chain link fence around the Midfield stockpile located in Midfield, Texas, Precinct #4, Matagorda County**

    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 a bid proposal with Gernand Builders Supply, Inc., in the amount of $19,840.00, to install a chain link fence around the Midfield stockpile located in Midfield, Texas, Precinct #4, Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays
13. **Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Auditor’s Report for May, 2013**  
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve the Matagorda County Auditor’s Report for May, 2013. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. **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

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

16. **Adjournment**  
   Motion was duly made at approximately 9:49 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

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

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**absent**

NATE McDONALD,  
County Judge

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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

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**ATTEST:**  
Janet Hickl, County Clerk