Call to Order

This Special Session of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday the 16th day of September 2013 in the Matagorda County Commissioner's Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with Commissioner Woodson, Judge Pro Tem presiding. Others present were as follows: Doug Matthes, Bob Watts, Ruben Gonzales, Carmen Andrews, Sheriff Osborne, Ellen Dodd, Barry Halvorson, Janice Hawthorne, Chris Peikert, Brent Batchelor, 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 September 9, 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 Commissioners Court Minutes for September 9, 2013. Motion carried. Vote 4 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 two contracts by Texas Blue Lacy and Bay Cuy Group for the use of the Matagorda County Fairground facilities. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

7. Consideration and possible action to authorize Commissioner Precinct #2, Kent Pollard, to trade in a Massey Ferguson 481 tractor on a Kubota M 9960 4wd tractor from Hlavinka Equipment Company for a net purchase price of $36,373.06 and authorize Commissioner Pollard to sign
   This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to authorize Commissioner Precinct #2, Kent Pollard, to trade in a Massey Ferguson 481 tractor on a Kubota M 9960 4wd tractor from Hlavinka Equipment Company for a net purchase price of $36,373.06 and authorize Commissioner Pollard to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
8. **Consideration and possible action to authorize the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office to purchase one (1) 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe 4X2 and one (1) 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe 4X4 through an HGAC bid with Caldwell Country Chevrolet, in the total amount of $57,982.00**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to authorize the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office to purchase one (1) 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe 4X2 and one (1) 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe 4X4 through an HGAC bid with Caldwell Country Chevrolet, in the total amount of $57,982.00. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

9. **Consideration and possible action to issue a typed check for postage in the amount of $12,000.00 for the tax statement mail out**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to issue a typed check for postage in the amount of $12,000.00 for the tax statement mail out. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. **Consideration and possible action to accept the recommendation from the District Extension Administrator, Donnie Montemayor, Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service, of Dru Garson as the Matagorda County Coastal and Marine Agent, as presented by Brent Batchelor, Matagorda County AgriLife Extension Service**

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 the recommendation from the District Extension Administrator, Donnie Montemayor, Texas A&M AgriLIFE Extension Service, of Dru Garson as the Matagorda County Coastal and Marine Agent, as presented by Brent Batchelor, Matagorda County AgriLife Extension Service. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

11. **Consideration and possible action to approve the trade-in of a 2003 225 Horsepower Evinrude Motor, Identification Number G04984558, to Busha Boat Works**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Pustka, with all others concurring, to approve the trade-in of a 2003 225 Horsepower Evinrude Motor, Identification Number G04984558, to Busha Boat Works. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays.

12. **Consideration and possible action to approve an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement providing for the Housing of Inmates from the County of Wharton, Texas in the Matagorda County, Texas Jail – Amendment 3**

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 an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement providing for the Housing of Inmates from the County of Wharton, Texas in the Matagorda County, Texas Jail – Amendment 3. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

13. **Consideration and possible action to authorize Commissioner Precinct #1, Dan Pustka, to purchase an Extended Warranty for the newly purchased Gradall, Serial #3120000261, in the amount of $3,750.00**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to authorize Commissioner Precinct #1, Dan Pustka, to purchase an Extended Warranty for the newly purchased Gradall, Serial #3120000261, in the amount of $3,750.00. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
14. **Consideration and possible action to accept a donation from Ron and Pat Ballenger, in the amount of $32,000.00, for the purchase of a 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe 4X2 and equipment for vehicle for the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office, with $27,186.00 going into 010-560-570 and $4,814.00 going into 010-560-30-001**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to accept a donation from Ron and Pat Ballenger, in the amount of $32,000.00, for the purchase of a 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe 4X2 and equipment for vehicle for the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office, with $27,186.00 going into 010-560-570 and $4,814.00 going into 010-560-30-001. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays.

15. **Consideration and possible action to approve Cellular Phone Allowances for all the Patrol Deputies (adding: Brian Franklin, April Morales, Robert Pierce, Brandon Dekle, Brandi Ward, Jay Hayes, Chris Holliday, Mike Ferrel, Joshua Summers, Mason McKee, Robert Heckler, Matt Mireles, and Frank Rejsek) of the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office in the amount of $60.00 each per month according to county policies and procedures**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Pustka, with all others concurring, to table approving Cellular Phone Allowances for all the Patrol Deputies (adding: Brian Franklin, April Morales, Robert Pierce, Brandon Dekle, Brandi Ward, Jay Hayes, Chris Holliday, Mike Ferrel, Joshua Summers, Mason McKee, Robert Heckler, Matt Mireles, and Frank Rejsek) of the Matagorda County Sheriff’s Office in the amount of $60.00 each per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. **Consideration and possible action to approve Monthly Reports from various county departments**

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 Monthly Reports from various county departments. Motion carried. Vote 4 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 Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17a. **Consideration and possible action to approve an amendment to Matagorda County Purchasing Policy and Procedures to include guidelines for federally sponsored programs**

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 an amendment to Matagorda County Purchasing Policy and Procedures to include guidelines for federally sponsored programs. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

18. **Public Comments**

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

19. **Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 9:50 a.m. by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays
Approved in Open Court, this the 23rd day of September, 2013.

absent
NATE McDONALD,
County Judge

DANIEL PUSTKA,
Commissioner Precinct No. One

KENT POLLARD,
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

JAMES GIBSON,
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

DAVID “WOODY” WOODSON, Judge Pro Tem
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST:  Janet Hickl, County Clerk