

**MINUTES**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING**  
**BAY CITY SERVICE CENTER**  
**2105 AVENUE M, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414**  
**9:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025**

**Call to Order**

This **Special Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Wednesday, January 1, 2025, at the Bay City Service Center, located at 2105 Avenue M, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge Seiferman presiding.

Others present were as follows: Becky Cook, Loretta Griffin, Ashley Brooking, Jessica Shepard, Vic Everett, Alexandria Longoria and Stephanie Wurtz.

**1. Certification of quorum**

County Judge Seiferman certified a quorum with Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Estlinbaum, Commissioner Shimek and Commissioner Frick.

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

**3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Cook**

**4. Prayer – Commissioner Frick**

**5. Public Comments**

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

**6. Consideration and possible action to approve the Bonds and Oaths for newly elected officials sworn in January 1, 2025: Denise M. Fortenberry – 130<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Judge; John Maher – 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial District Judge; Steven Reis – District Attorney; Matthew Hardy Sloan – County Attorney; Rick DeLeon – Sheriff; Becky Barrett Cook – Tax Assessor-Collector; Edward “Bubba” Cook – Commissioner, Precinct #1; Troy Shimek – Commissioner, Precinct #3; Douglas Schoppe – Constable, Precinct #1; Keith Sullivan – Constable, Precinct #2; Jesse Alvarez, Jr. – Constable, Precinct #3; David Miles – Constable, Precinct #4; William “Bill” Orton – Constable, Precinct #6**


This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve the Bonds and Oaths for newly elected officials sworn in January 1, 2025: Denise M. Fortenberry – 130th Judicial District Judge; John Maher – 23rd Judicial District Judge; Steven Reis – District Attorney; Matthew Hardy Sloan – County Attorney; Rick DeLeon – Sheriff; Becky Barrett Cook – Tax Assessor-Collector; Edward “Bubba” Cook – Commissioner, Precinct #1; Troy Shimek – Commissioner, Precinct #3; Douglas Schoppe – Constable, Precinct #1; Keith Sullivan – Constable, Precinct #2; Jesse Alvarez, Jr. – Constable, Precinct #3; David Miles – Constable, Precinct #4; William “Bill” Orton – Constable, Precinct #6. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays


**7. Adjournment**


At approximately 9:35 a.m., Judge Seiferman adjourned the meeting.

Approved in Open Court, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025.

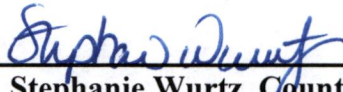
  
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**BOBBY SEIFERMAN**  
County Judge

  
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**EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK**  
Commissioner Precinct No. One

  
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**MIKE ESTLINBAUM**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

  
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**TROY SHIMEK**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Three

  
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**CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST:   
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Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

