

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, March 16, 2026, in the Matagorda County Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge Seiferman presiding.

Others present were as follows: Kristen Kubecka, Matt Sloan, Rick DeLeon, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Becky Cook, Mike Reddell, Chris Peikert, Mike Ferdinand, Blake Welborn, Jim Folse, Loy Sneary, Katharine McGee, Vic Everett, Shauna Broz Skoruppa, Bruce Krauskopf, Chris Hadash, Jessica Russell, Alexandria Espindola and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Frick

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Frick

4. Prayer – Commissioner Shimek

5. Public Comments

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

6. Consideration and possible action regarding approving the Commissioners Court Minutes for March 2, 2026 and March 9, 2026

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for March 2, 2026 and March 9, 2026. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

7. 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.

8. Consideration and possible action to approve the Chapter 381 Economic Development Program Performance Grant Agreement related to the Matagorda County Aquatic Center and allow the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the Chapter 381 Economic Development Program Performance Grant Agreement related to the Matagorda County Aquatic Center and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and Palacios ISD for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and Palacios ISD for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and the City of Palacios for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and the City of Palacios for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and the City of Bay City for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and the City of Bay City for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and Bay City ISD for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and Bay City ISD for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and Caney Creek MUD for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve the General Election Services Contract between Matagorda County and Caney Creek MUD for an election to be held on May 2, 2026 and authorize the County Clerk to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to accept the Racial Profiling Report for Matagorda County Constable Precinct #1

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept the Racial Profiling Report for Matagorda County Constable Precinct #1. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to allow Information Services to purchase the items on the SCW quote for both Justice of the Peace #2 and #6 with the total amount being paid out of the Justice of the Peace Technology Fund

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to allow Information Services to purchase the items on the SCW quote for both Justice of the Peace #2 and #6 with the total amount being paid out of the Justice of the Peace Technology Fund. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve the TAC CIRA Agreement to add the Accessibility Compliance Tool to the County Website

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the TAC CIRA Agreement to add the Accessibility Compliance Tool to the County Website. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve a Renewal Contract with Function4 for the Matagorda County District Attorney's Office and allow the County Judge to DocuSign all related documents

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve a Renewal Contract with Function4 for the Matagorda County District Attorney's Office and allow the County Judge to DocuSign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to approve the Inspection Maintenance Contract Agreements between Straus Systems, Inc. and the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office and Jail and authorize the County Judge to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve the Inspection Maintenance Contract Agreements between Straus Systems, Inc. and the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office and Jail and authorize the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to approve the signing of a Certifications and Assurance Form by County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Sheriff Rick DeLeon certifying Matagorda County does not have written policy, procedures or agreements that limits or impedes Department of Homeland Security issuance of detainers as required for grant compliance

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the signing of a Certifications and Assurance Form by County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Sheriff Rick DeLeon certifying Matagorda County does not have written policy, procedures or agreements that limits or impedes Department of Homeland Security issuance of detainers as required for grant compliance. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to allow Bruington Operating II, LLC to bore a 3" steel pipeline, approximately 100 under, across and along CR 340 Jenson Point Road in Matagorda County Precinct #3

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to allow Bruington Operating II, LLC to bore a 3" steel pipeline, approximately 100 under, across and along CR 340 Jenson Point Road in Matagorda County Precinct #3. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to ratify the TXU Energy Contract Service Point Change Request Form pertaining to the following ESI ID: 10032789460208350 (Justice of the Peace #2 Building)

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to ratify the TXU Energy Contract Service Point Change Request Form pertaining to the following ESI ID: 10032789460208350 (Justice of the Peace #2 Building). Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to authorize the submission of Nominations to the 2026 Community Impact Grant Program and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to authorize the submission of Nominations to the 2026 Community Impact Grant Program and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #4, Information Services, Environmental Health and Constable Pct. 1

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #4, Information Services, Environmental Health and Constable Pct. 1. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

24. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for February 2026

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for February 2026. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

25. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for February 2026

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 Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for February 2026. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

26. Consideration and possible action to ratify a demand check for Buckner Heavylift Cranes, LLC in the amount of \$2,867.80 for the County Tax Office

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to ratify a demand check for Buckner Heavylift Cranes, LLC in the amount of \$2,867.80 for the County Tax Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

27. Consideration and possible action to ratify demand checks for the Prosperity Bank Credit Card paid on March 10, 2026 and Angel Garcia (\$1,035.08)

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to ratify demand checks for the Prosperity Bank Credit Card paid on March 10, 2026 and Angel Garcia (\$1,035.08). Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

28. Consideration and possible action to approve payment of Demand Checks

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve payment of Demand Checks. 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 Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

30. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

31. Meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session regarding deliberation of a contract being negotiated

Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

Under Section 551.076 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices; or a security audit

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 9:49 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session regarding deliberation of a contract being negotiated

Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

Under Section 551.076 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices; or a security audit

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

32. Reconvene open session and consider taking action on the matters discussed in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session regarding deliberation of a contract being negotiated

Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment,

employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

Under Section 551.076 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices; or a security audit

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 11:06 a.m. by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to reconvene Open Session:

Under Section 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session regarding deliberation of a contract being negotiated

Under Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

Under Section 551.076 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices; or a security audit

Under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations

Motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to authorize Sheriff Rick DeLeon to sign an Interlocal Agreement with LCRA to accept a boat, two motors and a trailer, donated by LCRA, for law enforcement purposes. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with one nay from Commissioner Estlinbaum and all others concurring, to hire Dan Shook for Matagorda County Fire Marshall, at a rate of \$75,000 per year, with a start date of April 13, 2026, and subject to the terms of employment of Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 1 nay

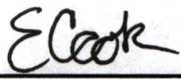
33. Adjournment

At approximately 11:10 a.m. Judge Seiferman adjourned the meeting.


Approved in Open Court, the 23rd day of March, 2026.




BOBBY SEIFERMAN
County Judge




EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK
Commissioner Precinct No. One



MIKE ESTLINBAUM
Commissioner Precinct No. Two



TROY SHIMEK
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: 

Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk A

