

**MINUTES**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300**  
**1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414**  
**9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2024**

**Call to Order**

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, March 18, 2024, in the Matagorda County Commissioner's Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge Seiferman presiding.

Others present were as follows: Jennifer Chau, Kristen Kubecka, Amanda Campos, Lisa Krobot, Skipper Osborne, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Meagan Ramirez, Ashley Brooking, Jessica Shepard, Becky Cook, Matthew Tilley, Doug Schoppe, Chris Peikert, Doug Matthes, Rick DeLeon, Jonathan Frels, Marthen Gullett, Crystal Morones, Mike Ferdinand, Erik Frankson, James Gilley, Mike Spillers, 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 Shimek**

**3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Shimek**

**4. Prayer – Commissioner Estlinbaum**

**5. Public Comments**

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

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

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 one contract for the use of Matagorda County Fairgrounds facilities. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**7. Consideration and possible action to approve a letter dedicated to the City of Deer Park for their donation of Motorola APX Radios to Matagorda County and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign**

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 a letter dedicated to the City of Deer Park for their donation of Motorola APX Radios to Matagorda County and allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Commissioners to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays



**8. Consideration and possible action to approve the AT&T Contract for the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve the AT&T Contract for the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**9. Consideration and possible action to move from Copay Max to the Access Guidance Program for the Prescription Drug Coverage through the TAC Health and Employee Benefits Pool and Navitus**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to move from Copay Max to the Access Guidance Program for the Prescription Drug Coverage through the TAC Health and Employee Benefits Pool and Navitus. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**10. Consideration and possible action to accept a letter of compliance from Tenaris dated February 26, 2024, pursuant to provisions in the Tax Abatement Agreement**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to accept a letter of compliance from Tenaris dated February 26, 2024, pursuant to provisions in the Tax Abatement Agreement. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**11. Consideration and possible action to accept the FY 2024-2027 Children Advocacy Center Protocols and MOU for the Multidisciplinary Team Working Protocols and allow County Attorney Jennifer Chau, Sheriff Frank Osborne and District Attorney Steven Reis to sign**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to accept the FY 2024-2027 Children Advocacy Center Protocols and MOU for the Multidisciplinary Team Working Protocols and allow County Attorney Jennifer Chau, Sheriff Frank Osborne and District Attorney Steven Reis to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**12. Consideration and possible action to authorize the Matagorda County Attorney's Office to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Texas Comptroller's Office pertaining to the Rural Law Enforcement Salary Assistance Program in the total amount of \$175,000.00 under Senate Bill 22 and allow County Attorney Jennifer Chau to DocuSign**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to authorize the Matagorda County Attorney's Office to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Texas Comptroller's Office pertaining to the Rural Law Enforcement Salary Assistance Program in the total amount of \$175,000.00 under Senate Bill 22 and allow County Attorney Jennifer Chau to DocuSign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**13. Section 3 Presentation by GrantWorks, Inc. Project Manager Hillary Sotello, related to TDHCA Grant No. 70800001010, Food Pantry Project**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to accept the Section 3 Presentation by GrantWorks, Inc. Project Manager Hillary Sotello, related to TDHCA Grant No. 70800001010, Food Pantry Project. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**14. Consideration and possible action to accept the Funding Agreement between Matagorda County District Attorney's Office and the Texas Comptroller's Office pertaining to the Rural Law Enforcement Salary Assistance Program in the total amount of \$175,000.00 under Senate Bill 22**



This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to accept the Funding Agreement between Matagorda County District Attorney's Office and the Texas Comptroller's Office pertaining to the Rural Law Enforcement Salary Assistance Program in the total amount of \$175,000.00 under Senate Bill 22. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**15. Consideration and possible action to accept the Funding Agreement between Matagorda County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Comptroller's Office pertaining to the Rural Law Enforcement Salary Assistance Program in the total amount of \$350,000.00 under Senate Bill 22**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to accept the Funding Agreement between Matagorda County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Comptroller's Office pertaining to the Rural Law Enforcement Salary Assistance Program in the total amount of \$350,000.00 under Senate Bill 22. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**16. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #3, County Tax Office, Maintenance and the Sheriff's Office**

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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #3, County Tax Office, Maintenance and the Sheriff's Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**17. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for February 2024**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for February 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**18. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for February 2024**

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 Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Investment Report for February 2024. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**19. Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Bills**

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 Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**20. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments**

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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**21. Meet in Executive Session:**

**Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property**



**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**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:05 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

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

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

**Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property**

**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**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 12:08 p.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to Reconvene open session:

Under Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the County in an executive session concerning Real Property

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

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

**23. Adjournment**

Motion was duly made at approximately 12:09 p.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.



**BOBBY SEIFERMAN**  
County Judge



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



**MIKE ESTLINBAUM**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

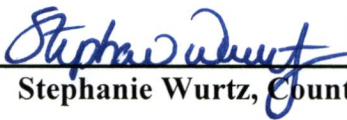


**TROY SHIMEK**  
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



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

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk

