#### **MINUTES**

#### MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300 1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414 9:30 A.M., MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

#### Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:31 A.M., Monday, September 8, 2025, 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, Lisa Krobot, Chris Peikert, Amanda Campos, Mike Reddell, Tressa Leadford, Loretta Griffin, Crystal Morones, Melissa O'Neal, Mike Ferdinand, Justic Cude, Jessica Russell, Kevin Tipton, Sam Yother, James Stefka, Matt Glaze, Mike Spillers, Scott Savage, Alexandria Espindola and Stephanie Wurtz.

#### 1. <u>Certification of quorum</u>

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

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Commissioner Estlinbaum
- 3. Texas Pledge Commissioner Estlinbaum
- 4. Prayer Commissioner Cook
- 5. Public Comments

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

#### 6. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve Commissioners' Court Minutes for August 21, 2025 and August 25, 2025</u>

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 Commissioners' Court Minutes for August 21, 2025 and August 25, 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 7. <u>Consideration and possible action regarding contracts for the use of the Matagorda County Fairgrounds facilities</u>

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

## 8. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve the Rules of Procedure, Conduct, and Decorum at meeting in Matagorda County Commissioners Court</u>

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 Rules of Procedure, Conduct, and Decorum at meeting in Matagorda County Commissioners Court. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 9. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2026 Matagorda County Holidays

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 2026 Matagorda County Holidays. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 10. <u>Consideration and possible action to accept the Deputation of Leticia Esquivel, Kaymi Palmer, and Erica Landriault as Deputy Clerks with the Matagorda County Tax Office</u>

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 Deputation of Leticia Esquivel, Kaymi Palmer, and Erica Landriault as Deputy Clerks with the Matagorda County Tax Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 11. <u>Consideration and possible action to appoint Stephanie Wurtz and Bobby Seiferman as County Representatives on the Matagorda County Aquatic Center Task Force</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to appoint Stephanie Wurtz and Bobby Seiferman as County Representatives on the Matagorda County Aquatic Center Task Force. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 12. <u>Consideration and possible action to appoint Justin Cude to the SETRAC Board of Directors effective</u> 10/20/2025 - 07/17/2028

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to appoint Justin Cude to the SETRAC Board of Directors effective 10/20/2025 - 07/17/2028. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 13. <u>Consideration and possible action to appoint Bruce Krauskopf as County Alternate Representative to serve on the Matagorda County Economic Development Board effective 09/01/2025 - 12/31/2026</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to appoint Bruce Krauskopf as County Alternate Representative to serve on the Matagorda County Economic Development Board effective 09/01/2025 – 12/31/2026. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

# 14. Consideration and possible action to approve the signing of a Certification and Assurance Form which is required by the Office of the Governor for all grant applications. The form is certifying that Grantee and Agency participate fully, and will continue to participate fully from the date of this certification until the later of August 31, 2026 or the end of the grant project period, in all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and authorizing County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Matagorda County Sheriff Rick DeLeon to sign

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 the signing of a Certification and Assurance Form which is required by the Office of the Governor for all grant applications. The form is certifying that Grantee and Agency participate fully, and will continue to participate fully from the date of this certification until the later of August 31, 2026 or the end of the grant project period, in all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and authorizing County Judge Bobby Seiferman and Matagorda County Sheriff Rick DeLeon to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 15. <u>Consideration and possible action to authorize Precinct #1 to apply for a Credit Application with Waukesha-Pearce Industries</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to authorize Precinct #1 to apply for a Credit Application with Waukesha-Pearce Industries. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 16. Consideration and possible action to ratify a Purchase Agreement with John Deere dated 02/12/2025 for the purchase of two flex wing rotary cutters for 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 ratify a Purchase Agreement with John Deere dated 02/12/2025 for the purchase of two flex wing rotary cutters for Precinct #1. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 17. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract with AT&T for the County of Matagorda Office Building (CMOB)</u>

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 a Contract with AT&T for the County of Matagorda Office Building (CMOB). Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 18. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract with AT&T for the Matagorda County Courthouse and the Matagorda County Tax Office Building (CTOB)</u>

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 a Contract with AT&T for the Matagorda County Courthouse and the Matagorda County Tax Office Building (CTOB). Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

# 19. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve a letter for Peyton Creek Wind Farm LLC, confirming that other than relevant Flood Plain Development Permits, Drainage District Permits, and Joint Airport Zoning Permits, there are no local environmental or land use regulations, ordinances, or permits in Matagorda County applicable to the ownership, construction, or operation of these facilities, and to authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign</u>

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 a letter for Peyton Creek Wind Farm LLC, confirming that other than relevant Flood Plain Development Permits, Drainage District Permits, and Joint Airport Zoning Permits, there are no local environmental or land use regulations, ordinances, or permits in Matagorda County applicable to the ownership, construction, or operation of these facilities, and to authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 20. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve a letter confirming that there are no zoning requirements applicable to the Duffy Energy Storage, LLC Project in Matagorda County and to authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign</u>

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 a letter confirming that there are no zoning requirements applicable to the Duffy Energy Storage, LLC Project in Matagorda County and to authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 21. Consideration and possible action to approve the amended Duffy Energy Storage, LLC Tax Abatement Agreement and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to execute same, superseding the version previously approved by Commissioners' Court on Monday, August 4, 2025

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 amended Duffy Energy Storage, LLC Tax Abatement Agreement and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman to execute same, superseding the version previously approved by Commissioners' Court on Monday, August 4, 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 22. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve an Amendment to the Matagorda County Requisition and Purchase Order Policy and Procedures Manual</u>

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 an Amendment to the Matagorda County Requisition and Purchase Order Policy and Procedures Manual. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 23. Consideration and possible action to approve a Professional Services Agreement between Matagorda County and Urban Engineering, pertaining to the TxGLO Contract No. 25-123-000-F095 specific to the Sargent Beach County Road 238 Rebuild Project, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents

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 a Professional Services Agreement between Matagorda County and Urban Engineering, pertaining to the TxGLO Contract No. 25-123-000-F095 specific to the Sargent Beach County Road 238 Rebuild Project, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 24. Consideration and possible action to ratify Contract Amendment No. 3 between Matagorda County and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) related to CDBG-CV CRP Contract No. 70800001010 - Food Pantry Project and allow the County Judge to DocuSign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick with all others concurring, to ratify Contract Amendment No. 3 between Matagorda County and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) related to CDBG-CV CRP Contract No. 70800001010 - Food Pantry Project and allow the County Judge to DocuSign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 25. <u>Consideration and possible action to purchase an additional eleven (11) Beach Access Mats by Signature Systems, related to the Matagorda County Beach Access Mats Project under the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP) Grant Cycle 27, and authorize the County Judge to DocuSign</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to purchase an additional eleven (11) Beach Access Mats by Signature Systems, related to the Matagorda County Beach Access Mats Project under the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP) Grant Cycle 27, and authorize the County Judge to DocuSign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 26. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract between Matagorda County and DRC Emergency Services, LLC as the primary vendor for Debris Clearance and Removal Services, for a term of three (3) years with the option to renew for up to two (2) years additional renewal terms of one (1) year each, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents

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 a Contract between Matagorda County and DRC Emergency Services, LLC as the primary vendor for Debris Clearance and Removal Services, for a term of three (3) years with the option to renew for up to two (2) years additional renewal terms of one (1) year each, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 27. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract between Matagorda County and Aftermath Disaster Recovery Inc. as the first alternate vendor for Debris Clearance and Removal Services, for a term of three (3) years with the option to extend successive one (1) year periods, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents

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 a Contract between Matagorda County and Aftermath Disaster Recovery Inc. as the first alternate vendor for Debris Clearance and Removal Services, for a term of three

(3) years with the option to extend successive one (1) year periods, and authorize the County Jue to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 28. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve an Invoice paid to VOCEON Digital Radio</u> Communications in the total amount of \$1,934.11

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 an Invoice paid to VOCEON Digital Radio Communications in the total amount of \$1,934.11. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 29. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1, Precinct #4, District Attorney, 23<sup>rd</sup> District Court and Information Services</u>

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 Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1, Precinct #4, District Attorney, 23rd District Court and Information Services. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 30. Consideration and possible action to accept a Donation from STP in the amount of \$2,000.00 and authorize a check to be sent to Kerr County for the July 4<sup>th</sup> flood

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 a Donation from STP in the amount of \$2,000.00 and authorize a check to be sent to Kerr County for the July 4th flood. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 31. Consideration and possible action to ratify payment of Bills dated 08/29/2025

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to ratify payment of Bills dated 08/29/2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 32. Consideration and possible action to approve payment of Demand Checks

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 payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 33. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

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 Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 34. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 35. Meet in Executive Session:

<u>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</u>

<u>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 contract of the contract </u>

### 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 10:00 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, 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 551.087 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

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

<u>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</u>

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 11:35 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, 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 551.087 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

#### 37. Adjournment

At approximately 11:37 a.m. Judge Seiferman adjourned the meeting.

#### Approved in Open Court, the 15th day of September, 2025.

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