

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2014

Call to Order

This **Special Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday the 24th day of March 2014 in the Matagorda County Commissioner's Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge McDonald presiding.

Others present were as follows: Sheriff Osborne, Ruben Gonzales, Cathy Ezell, Tammy McDonald, Janice Hawthorne, Chris Peikert, Carole Patrick, Bill Orton, Steven Reis, Barry Halvorson, Harriet Townsend and Janet Hickl

1. Certification of quorum

County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Kent Pollard, and Commissioner James Gibson Commissioner Pustka. Commissioner Woodson was absent

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Pollard

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Pollard

4. Prayer – Commissioner Pustka

5. Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners Court Minutes for March 17, 2014

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Pustka, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioners Court Minutes for March 17, 2014. 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 Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve 5 contracts for the use of the Matagorda County Fairground facilities. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

7. Consideration and possible action to approve a Surety Rider for Bond B001902 from South Bay Resources, L.L.C., extending the expiration date of the bond from March 20, 2014 until March 20, 2015

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 a Surety Rider for Bond B001902 from South Bay Resources, L.L.C., extending the expiration date of the bond from March 20, 2014 until March 20, 2015. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to authorize the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office to apply for a Business Account with Pro-Vision, Inc. for the purpose of purchasing a body camera

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to authorize the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office to apply for a Business Account with Pro-Vision, Inc. for the purpose of purchasing a body camera. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve a cellular phone allowance for John Kelly, Patrol Deputy of the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$60.00 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 Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve a cellular phone allowance for John Kelly, Patrol Deputy of the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$60.00 per month according to county policies and procedures. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve a Long-Term Use Agreement between Victoria County Sheriff's Office and Matagorda County Sheriff's Office for the use of a Patrol Boat and associated equipment

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 a Long-Term Use Agreement between Victoria County Sheriff's Office and Matagorda County Sheriff's Office for the use of a Patrol Boat and associated equipment. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve the hiring of a temporary full-time position in the Auditor's Office from May 1, 204 to May 31, 2014 to allow for training of a new staff member replacing Assistant County Auditor – Internal Auditing, with funding coming from salary savings in 010-495-103

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve the hiring of a temporary full-time position in the Auditor's Office from May 1, 204 to May 31, 2014 to allow for training of a new staff member replacing Assistant County Auditor – Internal Auditing, with funding coming from salary savings in 010-495-103. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve a Health Fair on May 1, 2014 on the Courthouse grounds for county employees and all Matagorda County Citizens

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 a Health Fair on May 1, 2014 on the Courthouse grounds for county employees and all Matagorda County Citizens. Motion carried. Vote 3 ayes 2 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to accept the Precinct Returns of the Democratic Party Primary Election held on March 4, 2014

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to accept the Precinct Returns of the Democratic Party Primary Election held on March 4, 2014. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to accept the Precinct Returns of the Republican Party Primary Election held on March 4, 2014

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 the Precinct Returns of the Republican Party Primary Election held on March 4, 2014. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

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15. Consideration and possible action to approve an Equipment Lease for 1 AutoMark Direct

Recording Electronic Voting Machine (DRE) between Matagorda County and the City of Palacios for an election to be held on May 10, 2014

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve an Equipment Lease for 1 AutoMark Direct Recording Electronic Voting Machine (DRE) between Matagorda County and the City of Palacios for an election to be held on May 10, 2014. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to authorize the County Treasurer to sign and file the yearly Texas Unclaimed Property Report for Matagorda County

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 the County Treasurer to sign and file the yearly Texas Unclaimed Property Report for Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve the awarding of a Bid for Reconstruction/Rehabilitation/Overlay and Hardening of Roadways in Sargent, Precinct #2, GLO Contract #12-403-001, Bid Package #P21144, to low bidder James Construction Group, LLC for the Base Bid of \$5,436,384.40 and 365 Calendar Days, as recommended by Baker & Lawson, Inc.

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 awarding of a Bid for Reconstruction/Rehabilitation/Overlay and Hardening of Roadways in Sargent, Precinct #2, GLO Contract #12-403-001, Bid Package #P21144, to low bidder James Construction Group, LLC for the Base Bid of \$5,436,384.40 and 365 Calendar Days, as recommended by Baker & Lawson, Inc. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to approve the purchase of a LED TV, to be used as a monitor for all security cameras in the Courthouse, in the amount of \$298.00, coming out of Fund 18, Courthouse Security, 18-510-330

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 the purchase of a LED TV, to be used as a monitor for all security cameras in the Courthouse, in the amount of \$298.00, coming out of Fund 18, Courthouse Security, 18-510-330. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proposal amount from Guardian Security Solutions, LC, in the amount of \$7,000.00, for extra cameras, 16 port instead of an 8 port, wire, cable, connectors, and installation to go with the cameras purchased with the District Attorney's Security Grant

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 a Proposal amount from Guardian Security Solutions, LC, in the amount of \$7,000.00, for extra cameras, 16 port instead of an 8 port, wire, cable, connectors, and installation to go with the cameras purchased with the District Attorney's Security Grant. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to review and possibly update the Matagorda County Investment Policy and Strategies

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pustka and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to review and possibly update the Matagorda County Investment Policy and Strategies. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

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21. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Auditor's Monthly Report for December 2013

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 Matagorda County Auditor's Monthly Report for December 2013. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to approve the Matagorda County Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report for February 2014

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 the Matagorda County Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report for February 2014. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

23. Consideration and possible action to approve Payment of Bills

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 Payment of Bills. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays


24. Public Comments

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


25. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 10:09 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 31st day of March, 2014.




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,
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST: 

Janet Hickl, County Clerk

