

**MINUTES**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING**  
**MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300**  
**1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414**  
**9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JULY 20, 2026**

**Call to Order**

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, July 20, 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, Robert Thompson, Chris Peikert, Becky Cook, Mike Voorhies, Doug Schoppe, Gloria Millsap, Loretta Griffin, Mike Reddell, Tressa Leadford, Jason Sanders, Steven Reis, Sonya Brown, Mike Ferdinand, Cheryl Hickl, Shelly Orsak, Jeri Thormaelen, Lance Loerwald, Vic Everett, Rae Ann Stuard, Keith Weidemann, Meagan Ramirez, Alexandria Espindola and Stephanie Wurtz.

**1. Certification of quorum**

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

**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. Action Items for Discussion**

**a. Consideration and possible action to approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for July 13, 2026**

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 Commissioners Court Minutes for July 13, 2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

**b. 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.

**c. Consideration and possible action to approve the 2027 Matagorda County Holidays**

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 2027 Matagorda County Holidays. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

- d. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract with EVACU Nationwide Ground & Air Ambulance gap insurance, replacing MASA, 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 with EVACU Nationwide Ground & Air Ambulance gap insurance, replacing MASA, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

- e. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract with VSP Vision Care Plan as the County's vision insurance provider administered by FFGA Benefits Solution, replacing Superior Vision, and authorize the County Judge 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 a Contract with VSP Vision Care Plan as the County's vision insurance provider administered by FFGA Benefits Solution, replacing Superior Vision, and authorize the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

- f. **Consideration and possible action to approve change of the County's employer-paid disability insurance carrier from Lincoln Financial to American Fidelity, administered by FFGA Benefits Solutions, and authorize the County Judge to execute the Subscription Agreement and any related document**

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 change of the County's employer-paid disability insurance carrier from Lincoln Financial to American Fidelity, administered by FFGA Benefits Solutions, and authorize the County Judge to execute the Subscription Agreement and any related document. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

- g. **Consideration and possible action to approve out of state travel for Dianne Drennan to go to the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Session in Knoxville, TN September 27-October 2, 2026**

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 out of state travel for Dianne Drennan to go to the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Session in Knoxville, TN September 27-October 2, 2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

- h. **Consideration and possible action to accept a donation from the Sargent Area Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$56,425.00 to be used for part-time salary and operating expenses for Constable Precinct #6 Office**

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to accept a donation from the Sargent Area Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$59,425.00 to be used for part-time salary and operating expenses for Constable Precinct #6 Office. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

- i. **Consideration and possible action to approve an Agreement between Matagorda Couty and Waste Connections Subsidiary/Seabreeze Environmental Landfill for the 2027 Disposal Rate of \$27.71 per ton for the Transfer Station, and allow the County Judge to sign**

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 an Agreement between Matagorda Couty and Waste Connections Subsidiary/Seabreeze Environmental Landfill for the 2027 Disposal

Rate of \$27.71 per ton for the Transfer Station, and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

**j. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2 and Information Services**

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 and Information Services. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

**k. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for June 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 Report for June 2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

**l. 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 Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

**m. 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 Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

**7. Meet in Executive Session:**

**a. 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**

**b. 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 9:57 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session. County Attorney Matt Sloan was absent. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

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

**a. 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**

- b. 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 10:54 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook with all others concurring, to reconvene Open Session. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

9. **Adjournment**

At approximately 10:55 a.m. Judge Seiferman adjourned the meeting.

Approved in Open Court, the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2026.

  
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BOBBY SEIFERMAN  
County Judge

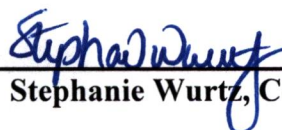
  
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EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK  
Commissioner Precinct No. One

  
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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

