

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2026

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, June 1, 2026, in the Matagorda County Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with Judge Pro-Tem Cook presiding.

Others present were as follows: Kristen Kubecka, Matt Sloan, Doug Schoppe, Matthew Tilley, Rick DeLeon, Robert Thompson, Amanda Campos, Mike Voorhies, Mike Reddell, Vic Everett, Ernie Fenoglio, Jessica Russell, Darlene Goddard, Paul Ryza, Jeri Thormaehlen, Lisa Tanner, Daniel Tremmel, Pamela Tremmel, Mike Ferdinand, Patricia Reggiardo, Kim Betts, Blue Morris, Melanie Townsend, Terry Rogers, Katharine McGee, Adriana Ruiz, Lygia Sadler, Barbara Duncan, Cindy Berlingen, Donna Howard, Cheryl Wilkins, Terri Bell, Laina Rosniak, Norma Douget, Jerry Garza, Ava Wann, Linda Henderson, Dallas Lang, Koby Lang, Stephanie Baldwin, Curtis Crunep, Chris Hadash, Henry A. Charles, Ryan Garza, Brenda Lang, Anna Kurtz, David Hoffmann, Robert Shirley, Fred Rodel, Steven Reis, Robert Noster, Cameron Adams, Becca Sitz, Michael Dry, Shelby Storts, Alexandria Espindola and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

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

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. Consideration and possible action to approve Commissioner's Court Minutes for May 18, 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 Commissioner's Court Minutes for May 18, 2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 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, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve one contract for the use of the Matagorda County Fairgrounds facilities. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

8. Consideration and possible action to approve three separate Resolutions honoring Deputy Stephen Lang, Deputy Corbin Montalvo, and Sergeant Joel Wamget for their heroic actions protecting and serving the citizens of Matagorda County

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 three separate Resolutions honoring Deputy Stephen Lang, Deputy Corbin Montalvo, and Sergeant Joel Wamget for their heroic actions protecting and serving the citizens of Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to promote Melissa O'Neal from 2nd Assistant County Attorney to 1st Assistant County Attorney

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to promote Melissa O'Neal from 2nd Assistant County Attorney to 1st Assistant County Attorney. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve out of state travel for Precinct #2 Commissioner, Mike Estlinbaum for obligations pertaining to serving on the Environment, Energy, Land Use Policy Steering Committee and the Rural Action Caucus under the National Association of Counties

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 out of state travel for Precinct #2 Commissioner, Mike Estlinbaum for obligations pertaining to serving on the Environment, Energy, Land Use Policy Steering Committee and the Rural Action Caucus under the National Association of Counties. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to declare the following vehicles as salvage and authorize to be sold at auction: 2015 Dodge Ram VIN #1C6RR7XT7FS572922 with all proceeds to be placed in 010-55700-560

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to declare the following vehicles as salvage and authorize to be sold at auction: 2015 Dodge Ram VIN #1C6RR7XT7FS572922 with all proceeds to be placed in 010-55700-560. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to authorize execution of a Letter of Support on behalf of the Matagorda County Commissioners Court in support of the Port of Bay City Authority proposal for FM 3057 shoulder improvements leading to the turning basin, recognizing the project's importance to industrial transportation safety, emergency access, roadway efficiency, and economic development within Matagorda County, and authorizing the County JUDGE to sign all related documentation

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to authorize execution of a Letter of Support on behalf of the Matagorda County Commissioners Court in support of the Port of Bay City Authority proposal for FM 3057 shoulder improvements leading to the turning basin, recognizing the project's importance to industrial transportation safety, emergency access, roadway efficiency, and economic development within Matagorda County, and authorizing the County JUDGE to sign all related documentation. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract Amendment between Matagorda County and Jackson Electric Services for Matagorda County Commissioner Precinct #2 Office, specific to the Sargent Community Center, 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 Contract Amendment between Matagorda County and Jackson Electric Services for Matagorda County Commissioner Precinct #2 Office, specific to the Sargent Community Center, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve a Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes to replace the postage machine at the Matagorda County Office Building 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 Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve a Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes to replace the postage machine at the Matagorda County Office Building and authorize the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to authorize the submission of Grant Application Sargent Public Access Fishing Pier Project to the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP) 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 authorize the submission of Grant Application Sargent Public Access Fishing Pier Project to the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP) and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #4, County Clerk's Office, Tax Office, Constable Precinct #1, and 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: County Judge, Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #4, County Clerk's Office, Tax Office, Constable Precinct #1, and Sheriff's Office. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

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

18. Consideration and possible action to ratify payment of Demand Checks for May 22, 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 ratify payment of Demand Checks for May 22, 2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 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 4 ayes 0 nays

20. 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 10:07 a.m. by Commissioner Frick 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 551.074(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 4 ayes 0 nays

21. **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

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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 11:33 a.m. by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, 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 carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays


22. Adjournment


At approximately 11:35 a.m. Judge Pro-Tem Cook adjourned the meeting.

Approved in Open Court, the 8th day of June, 2026.

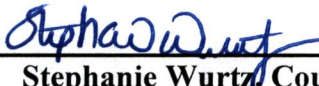

BOBBY SEIFERMAN
County Judge

absent
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

