

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:31 A.M., Monday, May 11, 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, Matt Sloan, Matthew Tilley, Doug Schoppe, David Miles, Lisa Krobot, Janice Hawthorne, Chris Peikert, Rick DeLeon, Amanda Campos, Mike Voorhies, Mike Reddell, Tressa Leadford, Becky Cook, Loretta Griffin, Melanie Townsend, Jim Folse, Sherri Carey, Mike Ferdinand, Vic Everett, Fred Wesselski, Melanie Townsend, Jim Folse, Lisa Tanner, Barbara Duncan, Paul Ryza, Richard Beyer, Kent Pollard, Cindy Berlinger, Karen Klein, Virginia Bozalina, Katharine McGee, Cindy Riendeau, Brian Riendeau, Cheryl Wilkins, Bruce Krauskopf, Edward Howard, Mitch Thames, 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. Consideration and possible action to approve Commissioner's Court Minutes for May 4, 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 4, 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, no action required.

8. Consideration and possible action to approve a Declaration of Disaster due to drought conditions and elevated wildfire risk for Matagorda County

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to approve a Declaration of Disaster due to drought conditions and elevated wildfire risk for Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve Addendum 1 to previously approved Non-Exclusive License Agreement between Matagorda County and Local Government Solutions, LP (LGS) for a Jury Management System to be utilized by District Clerk (designated official in charge)

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 Addendum 1 to previously approved Non-Exclusive License Agreement between Matagorda County and Local Government Solutions, LP (LGS) for a Jury Management System to be utilized by District Clerk (designated official in charge). Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve a Matagorda County Development Regulations and Approval Letter with Eldora Energy, LLC 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 table a Matagorda County Development Regulations and Approval Letter with Eldora Energy, LLC and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

11. Consideration and possible action to approve the AEP CATV Construction Proposal for Information Services (IT)

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 AEP CATV Construction Proposal for Information Services (IT). Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve Justice of the Peace, Precinct #6 Office to replace their AT&T phone system with Vested Networks and allow 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 Justice of the Peace, Precinct 6 Office to replace their AT&T phone system with Vested Networks and allow the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve Sargent Seven Subdivision, being a subdivision of all that certain B5 Custom Homes, LLC called 13.635 Acre Tract as recorded in Clerk's file No. 2024-3143 of the M.C.O.R in the Hinton Curtis League, Abstract 23, Matagorda County, Texas

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 Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1, Precinct #2, Precinct #4, Justice of the Peace, Pct 4 and District Attorney. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve an Order Setting Fees for Matagorda County Fire Marshal's Office and allow the County Judge to sign

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 an Order Setting Fees for Matagorda County Fire Marshal's Office and allow the County Judge to sign. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to adopt an Order establishing and implementing the Matagorda County Courthouse Weapons Security Policy and Courthouse Security Framework, affirming the prohibition of firearms and prohibited weapons within courtroom and offices utilized by the courts pursuant to Texas Penal Code 46.03, authorizing courthouse weapon screening and related security measures by the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, approving legally compliant courthouse signage, and authorizing the County Judge, County Attorney, Sheriff, and judiciary to take all actions necessary to implement courthouse security procedures in compliance with Texas law and Texas Government Code 411.209

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to adopt an Order establishing and implementing the Matagorda County Courthouse Weapons Security Policy and Courthouse Security Framework, affirming the prohibition of firearms and prohibited weapons within courtroom and offices utilized by the courts pursuant to Texas Penal Code 46.03, authorizing courthouse weapon screening and related security measures by the Matagorda County Sheriff's Office, approving legally compliant courthouse signage, and authorizing the County Judge, County Attorney, Sheriff, and judiciary to take all actions necessary to implement courthouse security procedures in compliance with Texas law and Texas Government Code 411.209. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action regarding abandonment of a TXDOT-owned structure known as the swing bridge building located at the terminus of FM 457 on the Intercoastal Waterway in Sargent, Texas

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to table the abandonment of a TXDOT-owned structure known as the swing bridge building located at the terminus of FM 457 on the Intercoastal Waterway in Sargent, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to approve Contract Amendment No. 1 between Matagorda County and Lynn Engineering, LLC, related to the Sargent Community Center Project, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents

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 Contract Amendment No. 1 between Matagorda County and Lynn Engineering, LLC, related to the Sargent Community Center Project, and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to authorize the submission of Grant Application Sargent Coastal Resilience and 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 Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to table the submission of Grant Application Sargent Coastal Resilience and 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

19. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge and Sheriff's Office

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 Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge and Sheriff's Office. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign the Payment Solutions Agreement between Matagorda County, First Data Merchant Services, LLC (First Data), and Pathward, N.A. (Bank)

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to allow County Judge Bobby Seiferman to sign the Payment Solutions Agreement between Matagorda County, First Data Merchant Services, LLC (First Data), and Pathward, N.A. (Bank). Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Quarterly Investment Report for 1st Quarter 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 Quarterly Investment Report for 1st Quarter 2026. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

22. 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 Cook, with all others concurring, to approve Payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 4 ayes 0 nays

23. 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 4 ayes 0 nays

24. 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 10:10 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 551.074(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

25. 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

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 11:10 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, 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

26. Adjournment

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


Approved in Open Court, the 18th day of May, 2026.



BOBBY SEIFERMAN
County Judge



EDWARD "BUBBA" COOK
Commissioner Precinct No. One



MIKE ESTLINBAUM
Commissioner Precinct No. Two

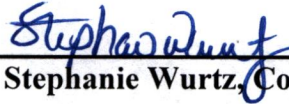


TROY SHIMEK
Commissioner Precinct No. Three



CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK
Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST:


Stephanie Wurtz, County Clerk