#### **MINUTES**

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

#### Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:32 A.M., Monday, June 30, 2025, in the Matagorda County Commissioner's 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, Jessica Russell, Mike Ferdinand, Doug Schoppe, Robert Thompson, Becky Cook, Tressa Leadford, Loretta Griffin, Kent Pollard, Vic Everett, Ethan Kasmir, Michael Camden, Scott Savage, Eleanor Dantes, Amy Tapia, Gabe Lopez, 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. <u>Pledge of Allegiance Commissioner Estlinbaum</u>
- 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 Commissioner's Court Minutes for June 23, 2025</u>
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This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estimbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioner's Court Minutes for June 23, 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

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

# 8. <u>Consideration and possible action to accept a donated 2002 E-One 75' Quint Ladder Fire Truck from Palacios Volunteer Fire Department into Matagorda County Precinct #3 inventory</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 accept a donated 2002 E-One 75' Quint Ladder Fire Truck from Palacios Volunteer Fire Department into Matagorda County Precinct #3 inventory. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

# 9. <u>Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. regarding the approval of the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone-Duffy Energy Storage Project</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 enter a Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. regarding the approval of the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone – Duffy Energy Storage Project. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

At 9:48 a.m., a motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to exit the Public Hearing and resume regular session of Commissioner's Court. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 10. <u>Consideration and possible action to adopt the designation of the Duffy Energy Storage Project Reinvestment Zone</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Judge Seiferman and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to adopt the designation of the Duffy Energy Storage Project Reinvestment Zone. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 11. Consideration and possible action to set a Public Hearing for August 4, 2025, regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Duffy Energy Storage, LLC and allow publication of such

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to set a Public Hearing for August 4, 2025, regarding the possible approval of a Tax Abatement Agreement with Duffy Energy Storage, LLC and allow publication of such. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 12. Consideration and possible action to approve the Monthly Reports from various County Departments

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 Monthly Reports from various County Departments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 13. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1 and Precinct #2</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 approve Invoices from the following Departments: County Judge, Precinct #1 and Precinct #2. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

## 14. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report</u> for May 2025

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 Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Monthly Report for May 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

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

### 16. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Transfers

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 Emergency Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

### 17. 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 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 9:50 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

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Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

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Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

#### 19. Adjournment

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

## **Approved in Open Court,** the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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