

MINUTES
MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING
MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300
1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414
9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025

Call to Order

This **Regular Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday, May 19, 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: Matt Sloan, Kristen Kubecka, Robert Thompson, Lisa Krobot, Mike Reddell, Loretta Griffin, Tressa Leadford, Crystal Morones, Kathleen Hicks, Kent Pollard, Vic Everett, Mike Ferdinand, Frank Solis, Heather Walker, Esther Wright, Kara Janecek, Shelby Storts and Stephanie Wurtz.

1. Certification of quorum

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Shimek

3. Texas Pledge – Commissioner Shimek

4. Prayer – Commissioner Estlinbaum

5. Public Comments

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

6. Consideration and possible action regarding Commissioners Court Minutes for May 12, 2025

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 Commissioners Court Minutes for May 12, 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 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 Proclamation proclaiming the month of May as Mental Health Awareness Month in Matagorda County

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 Proclamation proclaiming the month of May as Mental Health Awareness Month in Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. Consideration and possible action to approve the Retiree Part D Plan – RX Addendum to reflect the change in ownership from Medco Containment Life Insurance Company (MCLIC) to Health Care Service Corporation (HCSC) for Express Scripts Post 65 and authorize the County Judge to initial and sign

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 the Retiree Part D Plan – RX Addendum to reflect the

change in ownership from Medco Containment Life Insurance Company (MCLIC) to Health Care Service Corporation (HCSC) for Express Scripts Post 65 and authorize the County Judge to initial and sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

10. Consideration and possible action to approve the Amended Matagorda County Prescription Coverage Contract and authorize the County Judge to sign

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

11. Consideration and possible action to approve the signing of the Certification and Assurance Form required by the Office of the Governor for all grant applications, certifying that Grantee and Agency participate fully from the date of this certification until the latter of August 31, 2025, or the end of the grant project period, in all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the US Department of Homeland Security, and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman and County Sheriff Rick DeLeon 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 the signing of the Certification and Assurance Form required by the Office of the Governor for all grant applications, certifying that Grantee and Agency participate fully from the date of this certification until the latter of August 31, 2025, or the end of the grant project period, in all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the US Department of Homeland Security, and authorize County Judge Bobby Seiferman and County Sheriff Rick DeLeon to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the donation of life vests from the Pilot Club to the Take a Jacket and Save a Life Program

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 the donation of life vests from the Pilot Club to the Take a Jacket and Save a Life Program. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve a Replat of Tract 8, Vacek Partition of Block 1 of L.C. Trousdale's Ashby Farm Subdivision, Matagorda County, Texas

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 a Replat of Tract 8, Vacek Partition of Block 1 of L.C. Trousdale's Ashby Farm Subdivision, Matagorda County, Texas. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

14. Consideration and possible action to approve a Credit Application for Equipment Share of Matagorda County Sheriff's Office

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 a Credit Application for Equipment Share of Matagorda County Sheriff's Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to accept Ryan Energy Storage, LLC Tax Abatement application and \$1,000 fee for review and negotiation

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to table accepting the Ryan Energy Storage, LLC Tax Abatement application and \$1,000 fee for review and negotiation. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Consideration and possible action to set a Public Hearing on Monday, June 30, 2025, regarding the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone – Ryan Energy Storage, LLC and allow notice of publication

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Shimek, with all others concurring, to table setting the Public Hearing on Monday, June 30, 2025,

regarding the Designation of a Reinvestment Zone – Ryan Energy Storage, LLC. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Consideration and possible action to authorize the Resolution and Financing Agreement with Government Capital Corporation pending the County Attorney's review and approval and authorize the County Judge to sign all documents associated with the purchase of Financial/ERP Software

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to authorize the Resolution and Financing Agreement with Government Capital Corporation pending the County Attorney's review and approval and authorize the County Judge to sign all documents associated with the purchase of Financial/ERP Software. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Consideration and possible action to authorize the Resolution and Financing Agreement with Government Capital Corporation pending the County Attorney's review and approval and authorize the County Judge to sign all documents associated with the purchase of a Gradall excavator

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to authorize the Resolution and Financing Agreement with Government Capital Corporation pending the County Attorney's review and approval and authorize the County Judge to sign all documents associated with the purchase of a Gradall excavator. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

19. Consideration and possible action to authorize the submission of a Letter of Support for the University of Texas at Arlington Application to GLO – Cycle 31 pertaining to the Identification of Critical Source Areas for Nonpoint Pollution to Caney Creek and authorize Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum to sign

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 a Letter of Support for the University of Texas at Arlington Application to GLO – Cycle 31 pertaining to the Identification of Critical Source Areas for Nonpoint Pollution to Caney Creek and authorize Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

20. Consideration and possible action to authorize the submission of a Letter of Support for the proposed Phase 2 of the Texas Coastal Resilience Master Resilience Plan Project pertaining to the Lower Brazos River – San Bernard River Restoration and Management Strategy Project and authorize Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum to sign

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Estlinbaum and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to authorize the submission of a Letter of Support for the proposed Phase 2 of the Texas Coastal Resilience Master Resilience Plan Project pertaining to the Lower Brazos River – San Bernard River Restoration and Management Strategy Project and authorize Commissioner Mike Estlinbaum to sign. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

21. Consideration and possible action to authorize the submission of Grant Application Sargent Beach Access Improvements 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 Beach Access Improvements to the Texas Coastal Management Program (CMP) and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

22. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution regarding Civil Rights pertaining to the Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) Contract No. 24-065-092-E769 and Contract No. 24-065-092-E768 and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents including the following policies:

- **Citizen Participation and Grievance Procedures**
- **Section 3 Policy**
- **Excessive Force Policy**
- **Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Standards Plan**
- **Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures**
- **Code of Conduct Policy**
- **Fair Housing Policy**

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 a Resolution regarding Civil Rights pertaining to the Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) Contract No. 24-065-092-E769 and Contract No. 24-065-092-E768 and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents including the following policies:

- Citizen Participation and Grievance Procedures
- Section 3 Policy
- Excessive Force Policy
- Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Standards Plan
- Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedures
- Code of Conduct Policy
- Fair Housing Policy

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

23. Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution to designate authorized signatories pertaining to the Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) Contract No. 24-065-092-E769 and Contract No. 24-065-092-E768 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 Resolution to designate authorized signatories pertaining to the Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation Program (CDBG-MIT) Contract No. 24-065-092-E769 and Contract No. 24-065-092-E768 and authorize the County Judge to sign all related documents. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

24. Consideration and possible action to approve a Proclamation declaring the month of April as Fair Housing Month in Matagorda County

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 Proclamation declaring the month of April as Fair Housing Month in Matagorda County. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

25. Consideration and possible action to approve a Contract and Resolution between Matagorda County and the Texas General Land Office pertaining to GLO Contract No. 25-123-000-F095, related to the Sargent Beach Road Rebuild Project, and authorize the County Judge to DocuSign pending County Attorney review and approval

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 and Resolution between Matagorda County and the Texas General Land Office pertaining to GLO Contract No. 25-123-000-F095, related to the Sargent Beach Road Rebuild Project, and authorize the County Judge to DocuSign pending County Attorney review and approval. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

26. Consideration and possible action to approve Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2 and Sheriff's Office

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 Invoices from the following Departments: Precinct #1, Precinct #2 and Sheriff's Office. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

27. Consideration and possible action to approve Matagorda County Treasurer's Office Quarterly Investment Report for 1st Quarter 2025

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 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

28. Consideration and possible action to ratify a Demand Check paid on May 12, 2025 for \$51,479.87 to Ron Carter Ford from Fund 978-52100-571

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to ratify a Demand Check paid on May 12, 2025 for \$51,479.87 to Ron Carter Ford from Fund 978-52100-571. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

29. Consideration and possible action to approve payment of Demand Checks

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to approve payment of Demand Checks. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

30. Consideration and possible action to ratify a Line Item Transfer from May 6, 2025

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to ratify a Line Item Transfer from May 6, 2025. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

31. 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 Cook, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

32. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

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 Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

33. Meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.071(1)(a) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offer

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

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:06 a.m. by Commissioner Cook and seconded by Commissioner Estlinbaum, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.071(1)(a) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offer

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

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

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

Under Section 551.071(1)(a) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offer

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

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:46 a.m. by Commissioner Shimek and seconded by Commissioner Cook, with all others concurring, to meet in Executive Session:

Under Section 551.071(1)(a) of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offer

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

Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

35. Adjournment

At approximately 10:18 a.m. Judge Seiferman adjourned the meeting.

Approved in Open Court, the 2nd day of June, 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

