MINUTES

MATAGORDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING MATAGORDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 300 1700 SEVENTH STREET, BAY CITY, TEXAS 77414 9:30 A.M., MONDAY, MAY 21, 2018

Call to Order

This **Special Session** of the Matagorda County Commissioners' Court was called to order at 9:30 A.M., Monday the 21st day of May, 2018 in the Matagorda County Commissioner's Courtroom, located on the Third Floor, 1700 Seventh Street, Room 300, Bay City, Texas, with County Judge McDonald presiding.

Others present were as follows: Sheriff Osborne, Karla Lewis, Denise Fortenberry, Doug Matthes, Allen Fisher, Carmen Andrews, Mike Reddell, Mike Ferdinand, Mitch Thames, Belle Cortinas, and Maggie Perez

1. <u>Certification of quorum</u>

County Judge McDonald certified a quorum in attendance with Commissioner Pollard, Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Frick and Commissioner Graham.

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Commissioner Gibson
- 3. Texas Pledge Commissioner Gibson
- 4. Prayer Commissioner Pollard

5. <u>Consideration and possible action regarding approving Commissioners' Court Minutes for May 14, 2018</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to approve Commissioners' Court Minutes for May 14, 2018. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

6. <u>Consideration and possible action regarding contracts for the use of the Matagorda County</u> Fairground facilities

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

7. Consideration and possible action to authorize the publication of Notice of Special Election for the purpose of electing a U. S. Representative for Congressional District 27 to serve out the unexpired term of Blake Farenthold

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to authorize the publication of Notice of Special Election for the purpose of electing a U. S. Representative for Congressional District 27 to serve out the unexpired term of Blake Farenthold. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

8. <u>Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m. concerning the application for Tax Abatement with Serendipity</u> Corporation

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 9:53 a.m. by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to go into a Public Hearing set at 9:45 AM regarding the application for Tax Abatement with Serendipity Corporation. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays.

On motion duly made by Commissioner Gibson at 9:55 a.m., and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to go back into regular session of commissioner court. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

9. <u>Consideration and possible action to approve the Tax Abatement Agreement with Serendipity</u> <u>HC 1037, LLC pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code and give the County Judge permission to sign</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by County Judge McDonald, with all others concurring, to approve the Tax Abatement Agreement with Serendipity HC 1037, LLC pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code and give the County Judge permission to sign. Motion carried. Commissioner Pollard and Commissioner Graham voted against. Vote 3 ayes 2 nays

10. <u>Consideration and possible action to authorize the County Judge to sign an agreement in support of Tocker Foundation grant to Palacios Library</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by County Judge McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, authorize the County Judge to sign an agreement in support of Tocker Foundation grant to Palacios Library. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

11. <u>Consideration and possible action to ratify a Demand Transfer from May 16, 2018 to Admiral Title Company for the purchase/survey of the Sargent VFW Hall</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to ratify a Demand Transfer from May 16, 2018 to Admiral Title Company for the purchase/survey of the Sargent VFW Hall. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

12. Consideration and possible action to approve the Payment of Bank Drafts

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to approve the Payment of Bank Drafts. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

13. Consideration and possible action to approve the Payment of Demand Checks

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

14. Consideration and possible action to approve Line Item Transfers

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Pollard and seconded by Commissioner Gibson, with all others concurring, to approve Line Item Transfers. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

15. Consideration and possible action to approve Emergency Amendments

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made by Commissioner Frick and seconded by Commissioner Pollard, with all others concurring, to approve Emergency Amendments. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

16. Meet in Executive Session:

<u>Under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offers.</u>

<u>Under Section 551.074(a)(2) of the Texas Government Code to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 10:11 a.m. by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Frick, with all others concurring, to Meet in Executive Session:

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

Under Section 551.074(a)(2) of the Texas Government Code to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

17. Reconvene Open Session and consider taking action on the matters discussed in Executive Session:

<u>Under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code to consult with attorney(s) representing the county in an executive session concerning pending litigation, contemplated litigation, or settlement offers.</u>

<u>Under Section 551.074(a)(2) of the Texas Government Code to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee</u>

This being the next item for business, motion was duly made at 11:51 a.m. by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Graham, with all others concurring, to table Reconvening Open Session and considering taking action on the matters discussed in Executive Session:

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

Under Section 551.074(a)(2) of the Texas Government Code to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee

Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

18. Public Comments

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

19. Adjournment

Motion was duly made at approximately 11:52 am by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Frick with all others concurring, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5 ayes 0 nays

Approved in Open Court, this the 4th day of June, 2018.

NATE McDONALD, County Judge

GARY GRAHAM.

Commissioner Precinct No. One

Judge Pro Tem

JAMES GIBSON

Commissioner Precinct No. Three

KENT POLLARD

Commissioner Precinct No. Two

CHARLES "BUBBA" FRICK, Judge Pro-Tem

Commissioner Precinct No. Four

ATTEST:

Janet Hickl. County Clerk