

## **BRAZORIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

#### **MINUTES**

# BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON JANUARY 6 2024, THERE WAS BEGUN AND HOLDEN A SPECIAL SESSION OF COMMISSIONERS COURT.

### A. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

#### B. ROLL CALL

**Present:** Judge L.M. "Matt" Sebesta Jr.

Commissioner Jay Burridge Commissioner Stacy L. Adams Commissioner David R. Linder County Clerk Joyce Hudman

Absent: Commissioner Ryan Cade

### C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

To accommodate all members of the public and ensure full public input, members of the public may address the Court concerning any item before the Court prior to the Court's consideration of the item and/or any other matter of concern. Pursuant to Commissioners Court Order 7.C.1, dated January 28, 2020, a member of the public may address the Court for a total period of time not to exceed five (5) minutes. A member of the public who addresses the Court through a translator may address the Court for a total period of time not to exceed ten (10) minutes. If a member of the public inquires about a subject for which there is not an item on the meeting agenda or for which notice has not been given pursuant to Texas Government Code chapter 551, the Court may furnish specific factual information or recite existing policy in response to the inquiry. However, any deliberation or decision about the subject of the inquiry must be limited to a proposal to place such subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

#### D. DISCUSSION

### **County Judge**

D.1. Extend Declaration of Local Disaster Dated December 30, 2024

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: David R. Linder
SECONDER: Stacy L. Adams

AYES: Judge Sebesta Jr., Commissioner Burridge, Commissioner

Adams, and Commissioner Linder

## E. ANNOUNCEMENTS

# F. ADJOURN

As no further matters were to be had, Commissioners Court adjourned this Special Session at 9:05 AM.

JOYCE HUDMAN, COUNTY CLERK BRAZORIA COUNTY EX-OFFICIO MEMBER COMMISSIONERS COURT  $Joyce\ Hudman$ 



# COMMISSIONERS COURT OF BRAZORIA COUNTY

ORDER NO. D.1.

1/6/2025

Extend Declaration of Local Disaster Dated December 30, 2024

The Court Orders that the Declaration of Local Disaster issued by the County Judge on December 30, 2024 relating to severe thunderstorms and tornadoes that occurred in Brazoria County on December 28, 2024, be continued and renewed.

The Court further Orders that the continuation of the Declaration issued December 30, 2024 remain in effect until such time as this Declaration of Local Disaster is rescinded.

The Court further Orders that the Order be given prompt and general publicity and be filed with the County Clerk.

Joyce Hudman

Joyce Hudman County Clerk Brazoria County, Texas

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

#### **DECLARATION OF DISASTER**

WHEREAS, severe thunderstorms and tornadoes passed through Brazoria County on December 28, 2024 causing widespread damage to property and injury to persons;

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Brazoria County has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property;

WHEREAS, such controls, once implemented, have the potential of protecting lives and property;

BE IT THEREFORE PROCLAIMED, that I, L. M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr., County Judge of Brazoria County, do hereby declare a state of disaster based on the destruction caused by the severe weather and tornadoes and the damage to infrastructure, power, and properties in Brazoria County, Texas; and

- 1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Brazoria County, Texas pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. Pursuant to §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Brazoria County, Texas or by the County Judge.
- 3. Pursuant to §418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- 4. Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the County Emergency Management Plan and includes but is not limited to closing roads, removal of debris created by the severe storms and tornadoes and any other response materials and equipment needed with the use of Brazoria County personnel and equipment.

5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

day of December, 2024.

ORDERED this the 2

L. M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr.

County Judge

Brazoria County, Texas

# **BRAZORIA COUNTY**

# EXTENSION OF LOCAL DISASTER DECLARATION

**WHEREAS**, on December 30, 2024 the County Judge, L.M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr. issued an order declaring a local state of disaster for Brazoria County. This disaster was a direct consequence of severe thunderstorms and tornadoes causing a weather, power, water and communication emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the conditions necessitating declaration of a state of disaster continue to exist; and

**WHEREAS**, §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code provides that a local state of disaster may not be continued for a period in excess of seven days without the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF BRAZORIA COUNTY THAT:

- 1. The state of disaster ordered for Brazoria County by the County Judge on December 30, 2024 shall continue until terminated by order of the COMMISSIONERS COURT.
- 2. This order is passed as an emergency measure and pursuant to local authority for emergency measures and shall become effective on the 6th day of January, 2025.

APPROVED this the 6th day of January, 2025

Brazoria County Judge

L. M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr.

Commissioner, Precinct 1

Jay Burridge

Commissioner, Precinct 4

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L. M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr.

Not Present

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Ryan Cade

Commissioner, Precinct 4

David Linder

Jay Burridge

Commissioner, Precinct 3

Commissioner, Precinct 1

Stacy L. Adams