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*** EMERGENCY PRESS RELEASE ***

July 7, 2024; 7:00 PM - Lavaca County is under a Tropical Storm Warning

Tropical Storm / Hurricane Beryl is expected to make landfall on the Texas Gulf Coast near Matagorda overnight, somewhere between midnight and 3AM and tropical storm conditions should remain in the county until late Monday afternoon.

All Lavaca County residents should be finalizing their storm preparations now and gathering essential supplies such as food, water, medications, batteries, and topping off fuel for vehicles in the event evacuations should become necessary.

Lavaca County is a pass-through county and there are no public shelters currently set-up in Lavaca County.

Residents should quickly move to adequate shelter and then shelter in place until the Tropical Storm conditions subside sometime on Monday afternoon.

Be aware that public services and utilities (electricity, phones, internet) may be interrupted during this storm event and may be unavailable for several days.

Non-emergency county offices will be closed Monday, July 8, 2024. If at all possible, please do not travel during the height of this storm.

The regular session of the Lavaca County Commissioners Court scheduled for Monday at 10:00am has been postponed, until Wednesday, July 10^{th} @ 10:00am.

For updates on Tropical Storm Beryl, please follow the Lavaca County Emergency Management Facebook Page, or the NWS at www.weather.gov or National Hurricane Center at www.nhc.noaa.gov. As always, if you have an emergency situation, please call 911. For non-emergency services and general information, please call 361-798-2121.

God Bless,

Keith Mudd,

Lavaca County Judge