

## **Morgan County Commissioners Riecker Building**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their office on Monday, February 14, 2005, with the following members present:

Ron Moore, President  
Rick Shriver, V. President  
Dean Cain, Member

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The Commissioners reported on their activities of the previous week:

Monday, all Commissioners attended a meeting with a representative from the Engineering firm DLZ. All Commissioners attended the Cattlemen's Association Banquet at Stockport.

Tuesday, all Commissioners met with Dan Hartman and Julie Davis from the Muskingum Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross to discuss ways to increase Red Cross's presence in Morgan County. Commissioner Rick Shriver and Dean Cain attended a meeting with representative from AFSCME.

Wednesday, the Commissioners attended the CIC meeting.

Thursday, Commissioners Moore & Cain attended the Community College Advisory Board meeting. Commissioner Shriver met with Modern Office Methods to find new ways of increasing efficiency of office equipment in the County offices. All Commissioners met with Dr. Murrell, Vicky Kuntz, and Tim Raymond of Prime Care.

Friday, all Commissioners attended the County Commissioners' Association Regional Meeting with the Ohio Legislative Briefing in Zanesville and met with a representative from RH Solution concerning Workers' Comp.

Kathy Potteiger of Children and Family First turned in bills to be signed by Commissioners' President, Ron Moore.

Kelly Hardman, Director of Metropolitan Housing of Morgan County, presented an overview of her department and programs. She stated there is 60 units to be rented of which 6 is handicapped assessable. There is 104 Section 8 rent subsidy vouchers available for Morgan County. She shared a concern of a large slip. Ms. Hardman has contacted a stabilization company to access the problem.

Jeff Shaner, OSU Extension and Economic Development, reported, his department had interviewed 5 candidates for the full time temporary position which will run from March through Sept. They extended the offer to join their department to Kim Strode. Perry Varnadoe Regional Representative of the Governor's Regional Economic Development Office was present and asked the Commissioners if they had any long range needs and short range needs. The replacement of the Veterans Bridge was discussed as the bridge was built in 1914 and the last rehab was done in 1994 at a cost of \$2,000,000. The need of more employment in the County was also discussed.

Dan Richardson, Director of Recycle and Litter Prevention, turned in an activity time sheet, meeting request, and a mileage log.

**05- 098** Motion by Dean Cain and second by Rick Shriver to grant Dan Richardson's request for permission to attend an EOSWP meeting in New Philadelphia, Ohio on February 16, 2005.

***Vote: Ronald Moore, yea Rick Shriver, yea Dean Cain, yea Motion Carried***

**05- 099** Motion by Rick Shriver and second by Dean Cain to approve "Then and Now" Resolution as requested by Mike Totman Court Administrator & Chief Probation Officer.

John Wells	\$1,617.22
Molly Tarbert	\$1,577.00
Card Members	\$463.32 Judges conference Hotel Cherry Tree Inn

***Vote: Ronald Moore, yea Rick Shriver, yea Dean Cain, yea Motion Carried***

**05-100** Motion by Dean Cain and second by Rick Shriver to accept a request for a Supplemental Appropriation into LEPC FD Subsidy Line Item #029-0029-5309.00 in to amount of \$1,530.00 as requested by Terry Robison, Chairman Morgan County LEPC.

***Vote: Ronald Moore, yea Rick Shriver, yea Dean Cain, yea Motion Carried***

Larry Long, the executive director of the County Commissioners' Association of Ohio stopped in to discuss key fiscal elements of the Taft budget. The impact on Morgan County includes: Further cuts to the local Government Funds, reduction in indigent defense funding, and the lack of resources to fill gaps in Children Services and Child Support. Mr. Long discussed CCAO'S efforts to implement programs and services that will save counties money.

Pat Palmer, Long Term Care Services Director for the Area Agency on Aging, provided the Commissioners with a list of Meeting for 2005. They are listed below and will be held at the Lafayette Hotel in Marietta at 10:00 a.m.

**March 16<sup>th</sup> August 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Richard Fox of Fox Heating & Cooling presented the following estimate for the installing of a Sanyo PTAC heat pump for the Law Library in the Court House. His estimate calls for the heat pump to be installed through the existing window sleeve. It also includes sealing the unit to frame and all necessary labor and materials for complete installation at a cost of \$2,000.00.

**05-101** Motion by Rick Shriver and second by Dean Cain to accept the proposal from Fox Heating & Cooling.

***Vote: Ronald Moore, yea Rick Shriver, yea Dean Cain, yea Motion Carried***

Commissioners are in receipt of monthly statement of number of meals served to the prisoners and other persons that are in the Sheriff's charge. There were 74 meals served at the cost of \$157.70.

Jim Ridenour, Director of DJFS, turned in requests for meetings, and for leave of absent for himself, for February 8, 2005. Mr. Ridenour reported that 25 adult families at a cost of \$18,080.00 with 20 denials and 16 family households at a cost of \$20,848.00 with 11 denials have been assisted for damage from the Winter Ice Storm.

A public hearing was held at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Office of the Riecker Complex. Mr. Brent Smith, Development Specialist of Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District, presented the CDBG Formula 2005 program to eight people representing different categories of interest from the County. The applications were handed out at that time and the hearing adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

**05- 102** Motion by Dean Cain and second by Rick Shriver to grant permission for Pat Wilson to attend Regional Fiscal meeting on March 23, 2005 in Athens, Ohio as requested by Jim Ridenour Director of DJFS.

***Vote: Ronald Moore, yea Rick Shriver, yea Dean Cain, yea Motion Carried***

Jeff Driggs, County Dog Warden, turned in his mileage sheet showing he traveled 154.4 miles throughout Morgan County responding to dog calls.

Jim Ridenour, Director of DJFS, turned in requests for vacation day for himself on February 11, 2005. Mr. Ridenour reported that 25 adult families have been assisted for damage from the January Flood at a cost of \$18,080.00 and families for \$19,848.00.

**05-103** Motion by Rick Shriver and second by Dean Cain to adjourn.

**Vote: Ronald Moore, yea Dean Cain, yea Rick Shriver, yea Motion Carried**

With no further business to come before the board at this time, the Commissioners unanimously adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

**Commissioners**

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**Ronald Moore**

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**Rick Shriver**

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**Dean Cain**

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**Sharon Travis, Clerk**



