

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, August 18, 2008 with the following members present:

Dean Cain, President
Don Reynolds, Vice-President
Rick Shriver, Member

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The minutes of the August 11, 2008 meeting were read and approved.

08-376 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve the minutes from August 11, 2008.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Commissioners reported on their activities for the week August 11, 2008.

On Monday evening, Commissioner Shriver attended Governor Strickland's education forum in Marietta, Ohio.

On Thursday, Commissioner Shriver attended a meeting and reception hosted by the Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development in Marietta, Ohio.

Attorney Jeremy Morris, Lambert McWhorter & Morris, held a conference call with Commissioner's Cain, Reynolds and Shriver, and Steve Hook, Engineer, to discuss lawsuit filed against the county for County Highway Department accident that occurred August 2006.

Commissioners granted permission for Paul & Carol Hickerson to bore under County Road 4, located in the Township of Penn, Morgan County, Ohio, for a 1 inch diameter or less water line. The construction of this project will begin on or about August 18th, 2008 and will be completed by August 22nd, 2008.

Commissioners granted permission for Bishopville Water District to open cut at 2 locations of County Road 15, located in the Township of Union, Section No. 31, Morgan County, Ohio, for a 4 inch diameter water line. The construction of this project will begin on or about September 1st, 2008 and will be completed by November 1st, 2008.

John Sampson, Transit, provided an update on transportation for the month of July. During the month of June a total of 145 Elderly Disabled, 287 General Service Riders, 266 Contract-Elderly Disabled, and 518 Contract-Other Riders were transported. A total of 25,651 miles were driven during this month. Mr. Sampson mentioned the Ohio Department of Transportation will be conducting a Quality Assurance audit on Transit the week of September 8th.

Tim Bish, MRDD, telephoned Commissioners to ask if they had any questions or comments concerning MRDD. Commissioners informed Mr. Bish they had none at this time.

Bob First, Buckeye Hills RC&D, provided a status report for the Commissioners. Mr. First updated Commissioners on the RC&D Endowment Fund. The following three projects were awarded a \$600.00 grant: the Bike Trail All Weather Map in Athens County, Sardis Community Development Project in Monroe County, and Mount Ephraim Spring Development Project in Noble County. The RC&D Council has made two loans from the Revolving Loan Fund one each to Belmont and Washington counties. There is \$60,000 left to loan. The fund has a very low loan rate of 4%, for business expansion and job creation and/or equipment. The RC&D assisted the "Friends of Lower Muskingum River" watershed group with a grant to do non-native invasive species control work targeting areas of Meigs Creek. There will be funding in October for projects in Ohio for the Clean Ohio Funding. The District 18 NRAC Committee will be sending out information for projects in the eight county areas. The Ohio Mine Land Partnership Fall Conference is set for October 21st and 22nd, in St. Clairsville, Belmont County. The Focus will be on soil types and land use of reclaimed mine lands. A discussion was held concerning reclaimed mine spoil issues. Mine spoil has many problems including, acidity, stability, no soil structure, toxicity, etc. Some of this ground is now being sold or used for purposes that cannot be sustained. RC&D is working on getting info out to Soil Water and Conservation Districts, etc., to recognize where these areas are located. RC&D is working on getting funds committed to do a Beekeeping project in our region.

Jerry Gibson, Spy Glass, explained Spy Glass is a Telecommunications Expense Management company. They audit an organization's local, long distance, cell phone and internet billings to help lower expenses. They are vendor independent. Mr. Gibson noted they have 600 clients, of which most of them are in Ohio. There are three types of recommendations: Billing inaccuracy, Elimination opportunities, and General Cost Reduction. On average the company saves organizations 24%. In order to get started they would need two months of bills, copy of any contracts, and a letter of authorization. The analytical work may take up to six to eight weeks to discover any recommendations. There is neither a start up fee nor an assessment fee. The only cost to the county would depend on which recommendations the Commissioners implemented. On any billing inaccuracies the split would be 50/50, for any elimination opportunities or any general cost reduction the fee would be determined by the amount found times 12. Commissioners thanked Mr. Gibson for coming in and said they would like more time to discuss this.

08-377 Motion by Mr. Rick Shriver and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$22.00 from 112-0112-5302-00 State Asst. (Capital Replacement) into 112-0112-5303-00 Misc. Asst. (Capital Replacement); and \$178.00 from 112-0112-5301-00 Federal Asst. (Capital Replacement) into 112-0112-5303-00 Misc. Asst. (Capital Replacement), as requested by Traci Kidd, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

08-378 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Rick Shriver to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$4000.00 into 063-0063-5309-00 Other Expenses, as requested by Terry McGrew, Health Department.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted meeting requests for Kim Reed and Candi Drake to "Quarterly Round Table Meeting", on September 9th, in Zanesville.

08-379 Motion by Mr. Rick Shriver and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to untable the bid received by Morgan County OSU Extension for Community Development Travel and Tourism program and the bid

received by Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office for Workforce Development program, as requested by Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

08-380 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Rick Shriver to award the Community Development Travel and Tourism program to Morgan County OSU Extension and award Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office for the Workforce Development program, as requested by Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Shannon Wells and Traci Kidd, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, discussed the contract between her office and Job and Family Services involving TANF money.

08-381 Motion by Mr. Rick Shriver and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to untable the cost estimates received from Jim Eppley in the amount of \$4560.00, Ridgewind in the amount of \$7825.00 and Pierce Electric in the amount of \$15030.88 for the Community Development Block Grant, Formula '07, Opera House Project; also table the alternate cost estimates received for the upstairs projector room of the Opera House from Jim Eppley in the amount of \$2528.00, Ridgewind in the amount of \$5550.00, and Pierce Electric in the amount of \$7116.62, for further review by Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

08-382 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Rick Shriver to award the Community Development Block Grant, Formula '07, Opera House Project and including the upstairs projector room of the Opera House to Jim Eppley in the amount of \$7088.00, as requested by Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

08-383 Motion by Mr. Rick Shriver and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to re-enroll in the County Commissioners Association for the 2009 Worker's Compensation Group Rating Program.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

08-384 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Rick Shriver to approve the following:

**DECLARING THE AMOUNT OF TAXES THAT MAY BE RAISED BY LEVY AT THE
MAXIMUM RATE AUTHORIZED BY LAW WITHOUT A VOTE OF ELECTORS TO BE
INSUFFICIENT AND DECLARING THE NECESSITY TO A LEVY IN EXCESS OF SUCH
RATE.**

Be it resolved by the Morgan County Board of Commissioners, Morgan County, Ohio all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION I. That the amount of taxes that may be raised by the levy of taxes at the minimum rate authorized by O.R.C. 5705.19 on the taxable property in said County will be insufficient to provide adequate amount of necessary requirements of said County, and it is necessary for the purpose of providing additional funds for ambulance service for Morgan County for a period of five years at a rate in excess of the maximum rate authorized by O.R.C. 5705.19.

SECTION II. That it will be necessary to pass the levy for taxes for tax years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, being a renewal of tax of .50 mills on each dollar of tax valuation for five (5) years (which amounts to five (.05) cents for each One Hundred Dollars (\$100 of valuation), of the taxable property within Morgan County in excess of the rate authorized by O.R.C. 5705.19.

SECTION III. Be it further resolved that said levy be placed upon the tax list of the current year after the February settlement next preceding the election, if a majority of electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

SECTION IV. That the clerk be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Morgan County Board of Elections in order that the said board of Elections may make the necessary arrangements of submission of such questions to the electors of Morgan County at the General Election on November 4, 2008.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

08-385 Motion by Mr. Rick Shriver and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve the following:

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SECTION II. That it will be necessary to pass the levy for taxes for tax years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, being a additional tax of 1.00 mills on each dollar of tax valuation for five (5) years (which amounts to ten (10) cents for each One Hundred Dollars (\$100 of valuation), of the taxable property within Morgan County in excess of the rate authorized by O.R.C. 5705.19.

SECTION III. Be it further resolved that said levy be placed upon the tax list of the current year after the February settlement next preceding the election, if a majority of electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

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After discussion, the Commissioners agreed that the best plan of action is to place this levy on the ballot and let the voters of Morgan County decide on the tax.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Jim Greer, Melinda Jeffers, and James Smith, Medical Mutual of Ohio, Gary Woodward, Auditor, discussed the renewal for the county health insurance.

John Parker, Gardner Parker Insurance, discussed wanting to quote health insurance for the county. Commissioner Shriver informed Mr. Parker the difficulty in obtaining quotes due to the county's "rich" benefits and claims history. Mr. Parker understands the position the county is in. Commissioners mentioned there are 4 labor unions, in which one contract the health benefits cannot change. Commissioner Cain noted

county employees don't make a lot of money but they have great benefits. Employees are not willing to make changes in the health benefits. Commissioners agreed to contact Mr. Parker if they decide to seek other quotes.

Tammy Ray, Dog Warden, submitted mileage sheets for the previous week, which showed her traveling 298 miles responding to dog calls.

08-386 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve the following invoices:

VENDOR NAME	DEPARTMENT	CODE	FUND	AMOUNT
Morgan Local School District	Auditor's Office	080	080	\$1,641.65
Corrections Commission	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$23,077.00
Corrections Commission	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$21,714.00
C.N.B.	Auditor's Office	Payroll	Medicare	\$2,664.92
Tyler-CLT	Auditor's Office	014	REA	\$2,975.00
Morgan County Herald	Transit	113	113	\$125.00
Delille Oxygen	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$432.79
Shriver's Pharmacy	Job and Family Services	006	254-518001	\$3,501.59
Shriver's Pharmacy	Job and Family Services	006	254-51801	\$1,215.00
Brock's Automotive	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$97.90
T & K Auto Parts	MRDD	017	Travel	\$146.51
Business Equipment	Health Department	077	Homemaker-supplies	\$80.97
Business Equipment	Treasurer	001	Supplies	\$327.59
Poynter's Business Products	Job and Family Services	006	010-529205	\$2,943.00
AEP	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$301.52
AEP	MRDD	017	Utilities	\$725.81
AEP	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$108.33
Mar-Zane	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$11,650.50
Mar-Zane	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$19,244.70
Southeastern Equipment	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$798.70
BP Oil Company	Job and Family Services	006	030-501001	\$39.39
PERS	Auditor's Office	Payroll	Retirement	\$62,768.98
Bragg's	Health Department	077	Homemaker- travel	\$761.57
Goss Supply	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$31.96
Morgan County Court	County Court	001	General	\$45.01
Treasurer, State of Ohio	Health Department	064	G- food	\$28.00
Ohio Bureau of Crim. Ident.	Job and Family Services	006	285-518001, 224-518001	\$176.00
Barrett Bros.	Probate	001	Probate	\$373.00
Barrett Bros.	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$28.00
Ohio Department of Health	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$3,707.05
John Kitts	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$65.60
John Wells	Indigent Defense	001	Indigent Defense	\$141.42
Quill Supplies	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$362.75
Alma Tennent	County Court	001	General	\$31.95
Career Development Center	Job and Family Services	006	020-529205	\$420.00

Morgan County Treasurer	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$195.14
BWC	Auditor's Office	272	WC	\$72,535.80
Mason Truck	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$259.40
Washington Morgan County Community Action Program	Auditor's Office	080	080	\$53.01
Staples	Probate	001	Probate	\$128.24
Morgan County Chrysler Dodge Jeep, Inc.	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$465.99
Vision Service Plan	MRDD	017	Insurance	\$167.50
Malta Tire Shop	Transit	113	113	\$528.00
Malta Tire Shop	MRDD	017	Travel	\$256.00
Amerigas- Zanesville	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$298.00
Credit Bureau of Morgan County	Job and Family Services	006	010-529205	\$95.00
Stark County Treasurer	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$2,048.84
Morgan County Job and Family Services	Job and Family Services	090	010-529205	\$7,126.04
Lawson Products	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$702.67
GBS	Clerk of Courts	342	Legal Research	\$3,800.00
Galls	Felony Care and Custody	023	Felony Care/Custody	\$950.35
Janet Oliver	Job and Family Services	006	254-518001	\$310.00
Xerox	Health Department	063	E12	\$21.00
Reliable Office	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$161.84
Reliable Office	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$36.36
Dave's Landscaping	Auditor's Office	110	Distress	\$4,996.90
Morgan Hardware	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$25.40
Muskingum Co. Juvenile Detention Center	Felony Care and Custody	023	Felony Care/Custody	\$2,800.00
Greuey's Fuel & Farm Supply	Job and Family Services	006	850-518001	\$15.00
Quick 60	Transit	113	113	\$81.16
First Communications	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$19.98
First Communications	MRDD	017	Utilities	\$14.42
Dell	EMA & OHS	009	Equipment	\$26.09
Misty DellaMaggiore	MRDD	017	Supplies	\$73.43
Zane State College	Job and Family Services	349	AF8-529204	\$36.00
Treasurer, State of Ohio	Job and Family Services	006	020-529205	\$293.44
Laser Works	Probate	001	Probate	\$437.00
Washington Co. Board of MRDD	MRDD	017	Contract Services	\$695.26
Shelly Material	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$8,839.06
Clemens Nelson	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$232.50
Core Comm	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$59.95
Timmy V's	Job and Family Services	006	850-518001	\$290.00
Timmy V's	Job and Family Services	006	850-518001	\$55.00
Timmy V's	Job and Family Services	006	531-518001	\$45.00
Timmy V's	Job and Family	349	IP7-529204	\$25.00

Services				
Terminix	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$32.00
Terminix	Auditor's Office	274	Riecker	\$50.00
Ohio University Zanesville	Job and Family Services	349	AF8-529204	\$2,197.50
Qwest	Dog and Kennel	005	D & K	\$4.82
Trident Marketing	Clerk of Courts	336	Computerization	\$117.00
Evergreen Child Dev. Ctr.	Job and Family Services	006	321-518001	\$371.00
DDTI	Auditor's Office	014	REA	\$1,250.00
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Advanced Business	Health Department	076	BCMh- other	\$279.83
AT&T	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$1,191.65
Stay In Play	Job and Family Services	006	321-518001, 312-518001, 322-518001, 324-518001	\$5,837.60
Dawn Hosom	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$121.50
Dawn Hosom	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$64.00
Kyra McMillen	MRDD	017	Contract Services	\$204.00
Dollar General	Health Department	077	Homemaker-supplies	\$72.35
Clarence Bywater	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$100.00
Ohio Public Defender	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$100.00
Mart Copley	Job and Family Services	006	254-518001	\$300.00
COMDOC, Inc.	Clerk of Courts	336	Computerization	\$124.00
Shirley Stewart	Health Department	063	E12	\$70.00
Paula Finley	Job and Family Services	349	AF8-529204	\$30.00
Wolfe, Wilson, Phillips	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$20,700.00
Deb Lamneck	Indigent Defense	001	Indigent Defense	\$509.00
Amanda Massie	Job and Family Services	349	AF8-529204	\$45.00
Marietta Office Supply	Job and Family Services	349	IP7-529204, OP7-529204	\$15.98
Marietta Office Supply	Job and Family Services	349	WF8-529204	\$7.99
Marietta Office Supply	Job and Family Services	349	AF8-529204	\$7.99
Dollar General	Job and Family Services	006	254-518001	\$4,156.33
Dollar General	Job and Family Services	050	845-515003	\$89.50
Warren's IGA Express	Job and Family Services	006	531-518001	\$25.00
Warren's IGA Express	Job and Family Services	006	850-518001	\$145.00
Warren's IGA Express	Job and Family Services	349	IP7-529204	\$125.00
Flower's Gifts & More	Health Department	063	E12	\$51.36
The Braun Corporation	Transit	112	112	\$25,638.00
The Braun Corporation	Transit	112	112	\$3,205.00
The Braun Corporation	Transit	112	112	\$3,427.00
Muskingum Valley Health	Job and Family	006	020-529204	\$262.00

Center	Services			
Muskingum Valley Health Center	Job and Family Services	349	IP7-529204	\$100.00
General Electric	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$388.15
Amanda North	MRDD	018	Family Resource Assist. Program	\$48.51
Northside Pharmacy	Health Department	063	Vaccines	\$115.88
Melissa Curtis	Health Department	063	E12	\$624.00
Mary Whitehouse	Auditor's Office	304	Und. Gen.	\$352.18
Chase Cardmember Services	EMA & OHS	009	Other Expenses	\$50.83
Alvina Webb	MRDD	018	Family Resource Assist. Program	\$59.40
Bloom Twp.	Auditor's Office	702	Gas Tax	\$31,745.14
Bloom Twp.	Auditor's Office	702	2nd 1/2 Dereg. Stlmt	\$41,183.20
Malta Corp.	Auditor's Office	332	2nd 1/2 Dereg. Stlmt	\$14,268.00
Malta Corp.	Auditor's Office	332	July M.V.	\$2,600.29
Bloom Twp.	Auditor's Office	702	July M.V. & P.T.	\$14,482.40
			TOTAL	\$450,148.31

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

08-387 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Rick Shriver- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Commissioners,

Dean Cain, President

Don Reynolds, Vice-President

Rick Shriver, Member

Andrea Plummer, Clerk