

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, November 2, 2009 with the following members present:

Dean Cain, President
Don Reynolds, Vice-President
Mike Reed, Member

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The minutes of the October 26, 2009 meeting were read and approved.

09-515 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve the minutes from October 26, 2009.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Commissioners are in receipt of the Morgan County Jail usage for the month of October 2009 to reduce costs at the Southeastern Ohio Regional Joint Jail. The total bed days for month of August were 156. This count is prisoners held here for at least one day each and other prisoners were also brought for court and returned are in addition to these figures. On October 15, 2009, inmate Clark escaped and was returned on October 22, 2009. He is now in the Southeastern Ohio Regional Joint Jail on Escape Charges.

A request was submitted by American Electric Power, to span over County Road 2, located in Malta Township, Section No. 13, Morgan County, Ohio, for an electric line. Construction of this project will begin on or about November, 2009. Permission granted upon approval by the Morgan County Engineer.

Stevan Hook, Engineer, asked Commissioners if they had any questions/concerns for him. Commissioners stated they had none.

Jim Greer, Greer Insurance, discussed removing the \$5000.00 cap on ambulance service within the county's health insurance policy with Medical Mutual. Mr. Greer provided new rates for Commissioners approval if cap is removed. Commissioner Cain stated he would hate to see someone refuse to use Med Flight because they cannot afford the bill. Commissioner Reed stated the employees need to be urged to read their copy of the county's health insurance policy. Commissioner Reynolds declared he doesn't see how we can remove the cap at this time. Commissioners informed Mr. Greer they will not be making any changes to the county's health insurance policy nor remove any caps at this time. Gary Woodward, Auditor, was also in attendance.

Commissioner Reed discussed Extension Funds with Gary Woodward, Auditor. Mr. Woodward stated he worked on receipts over the weekend. The following four funds in question are: Human Services, Real Estate Assessment, Felony Care & Custody and the Revolving Loan Fund. A discussion was held concerning Transit's Salary Line Item.

Bill Maghes submitted an Animal Claim, Form 955-A to Commissioners for the death of two calves on January 05, 2009; which occurred on Center Bend Road in Center Township.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, reported traveling 181.2 miles responding to dog calls. Mrs. Thompson stated twelve dogs were picked up, two dogs were found outside of pound in cage, one dog was sold, and eight dogs were euthanized.

Gary Woodward, Auditor, inquired on a bill received from CompManagement Inc., for five Drug Free Workplace Training sessions for county employees. Commissioners agreed there was five D.F.W.P training sessions. One was held at the Highway Department and two were held on two separate days at the Reicker Building.

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted a form to declare limited funds for WIA Adult Program.

Commissioners signed a letter of support for the Muskingum Valley Health Center.

09-516 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$50,000.00 from the Gas and Motor Vehicle Fund, and place the full amount into Materials Account (k-12) 004-0004-330.00, as requested by Stevan Hook, Engineer.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

A bid opening was held in the Commissioners Office for McConnellsville Pump Station/Labor at 11:00am. One bid was received from J.R. Mason, Inc., located in Plain City, Ohio, in the amount of \$48,650.00, Material A totaled \$25,120.00 and Material B totaled \$23,530.00.

09-517 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to table the bid received for the McConnellsville Pump Station/Labor from J.R. Mason, Inc., located in Plain City, Ohio, in the amount of \$48,650.00.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Commissioner Cain left the Commissioner's meeting to attend the Joint Solid Waste Management meeting at 11:10am.

Commissioners discussed the OSU Extension carryover money with representatives from the County Commissioners Association of Ohio and OSU Extension. Larry Long of the CCAO asked if there was any dispute over the programs provided by Extension. Commissioner Reed responded the only dispute is who should get to invest the carryover for the earned interest. He followed; he felt the county being in dire financial situation that there was a possibility to earn \$4000.00 dollars in interest. The county needs this a lot more than OSU. Pam Montgomery stated the carryover would be spent faster now because Amy Grove was being funded by a grant that has now expired and she will be fully funded thru Extension. She stated the carryover as of June 30, 2009 was \$275,833.99 and as of September 30, 2009 it was \$220,120. Mrs. Montgomery stated Extension likes to keep several months worth of operating money in case of severance packages. Commissioner Reed said if the county is holding the carryover all OSU had to do was request it. Commissioner Reed restated even though OSU Extension is not in violation of the ORC the county should be the holding agent for the carryover money.

09-518 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$5000.00 to Supplies, Account #001-0601-5303.00 from Supplies-Gasoline, Account #001-0601-5303.01, as requested by Thomas C. Jenkins, Sr., Sheriff.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

09-519 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to approve the following transfer of funds, as requested by Katy Chapin, Chief Deputy Auditor:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
\$2389.00	Rentals 001-0402-5310.00	Contracts 001-0402-5306.00
\$577.00	Other Exp. 001-0402-5309.00	Contracts 001-0402-5306.00
\$2000.00	Salaries 001-0402-5102.00	Contracts 001-0402-5306.00
\$8.88	Medicare 001-0402-5368.00	Supplies 001-0402-5303.00

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

09-520 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$4000.00 into Other Expenses 005-0005nses and to approve the following transfer of funds, as requested by Katy Chapin, Chief Deputy Auditor:

<u>Amount:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
\$357.00	Salary 005-0005-5102.01	PERS 005-0005-5367.00
\$31.80	Workers Comp. 005-0005-5369.00	Supplies 005-0005-5303.00
\$20.00	Workers Comp. 005-0005-5369.00	Medicare 005-0005-5368.00

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, discussed the Senior Citizens Door/Concrete Slab project. Quotes were received from Unique Designs and Marketeers for clothing and hats for Transit drivers. The following quotes were received for Richard Webb's septic system project: McGrew Excavating in the amount of \$5100.00 and Apperson Enterprises in the amount of \$5100. The following quotes were received for Terry Smith's septic system project: Apperson Enterprises in the amount of \$3890.00, McGrew Excavating in the amount of \$5300.00, and Newberry Excavating in the amount of \$4600.00. The following quotes were received for Bill Sheppard's septic system project: Newberry Excavating in the amount of \$3800.00, McGrew Excavating in the amount of \$5800.00, and Apperson Enterprises in the amount of \$3900.00.

09-521 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to award the Senior Citizens Door/Concrete slab project to McCreary Construction in the amount of \$3795.00.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

09-522 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to award the clothing quote to Unique Designs and the hat quote to Marketeers.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

09-523 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to award Richard Webb's septic system project to McGrew Excavating in the amount of \$5100.00.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

09-524 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to award Terry Smith’s septic system project to Apperson Enterprises in the amount of \$3890.00.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

09-525 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to award Bill Sheppard’s septic system project to Newberry Excavating in the amount of \$3800.00.

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- absent. Motion Carried

09-526 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM

Vote Don Reynolds- yea, Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea. Motion Carried

Commissioners,

Dean Cain, President

Don Reynolds, Vice-President

Mike Reed, Member

Andrea Plummer, Clerk