

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, December 28, 2009 with the following members present:

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 December 21, 2009 meeting were read and approved.

09-624 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve the minutes from December 21, 2009.

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

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, reported traveling 105.9 miles responding to dog calls. Mrs. Thompson stated one dog was impounded.

Pam Montgomery, OSU Extension, stated Chris Penrose will be providing a program, Annie's Project, to help farm women develop their management and decision-making skills in the complex dynamic world of agriculture. The project includes six different classes. Classes begin January 25th. Any interested individuals are urged to contact the Extension Office to register. Morgan County Cattlemen's Ladies Appreciation Night is scheduled for Tuesday, February 2nd. Thirteen packets have been mailed or handed out to potential new 4-H advisors for 2010. Interviews and training begin in January. Achievement Record Workday is scheduled for December 30th from 10:00am until 3:00pm. Ohio Volunteer Conference is scheduled for March 13th in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Montgomery will be presenting on Behavior Management for the 4-H Club Advisor. Elaine Lindimore, FNP program assistant, started nutrition education programming at MCUM. The 2010 calendar for Helping Children Cope with Divorce and Co-Parenting for Never Married Co-Parents programs has been finalized and individuals that need to schedule one of the programs can call the Extension Office to register. Mrs. Montgomery encouraged the Commissioners to visit the Extension Office and staff to learn more about their programs. The Extension Advisory meeting dates for 2010 have been finalized; Commissioners are encouraged to attend. The first meeting is scheduled for January 12th.

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted meeting requests for Cheryl Bailey and Jody Murray to Athens, on January 5th for "MEPA/IEPA, Which way do we go?" training; and herself to Guernsey County for Directors meeting on January 5th. Ms. Quesinberry stated November's unemployment was 15.5% for Morgan County.

Commissioners are in receipt of a letter from The Addis Group, Risk Management Consultants and Insurance Brokers, regarding a renewal notice for Ohio Oil Gathering Corp's Overweight License Bond for the term February 1, 2010 to February 1, 2011.

Della Bratton telephoned Commissioners to discuss the status of ABC Manufacturing.

Ron Moore, Learning Center, and Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, submitted a lease agreement.

09-625 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to approve the following lease agreement with the Learning Center:

LEASE AGREEMENT

This Lease Agreement dated this 28th day of December 2009, between "The Morgan County Commissioners", a unit of local government, hereafter the Lessor and "The Morgan County Learning Center of Morgan County, Ohio," hereafter "Lessee":

Witnesseth:

That in consideration of the mutual covenants and benefits set forth herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1) **Description of the Property** - The Lessee does hereby lease the use of specific areas of the back half on the first floor only of the County owned building, located at 4277 N. St. Rt. 376 NW, McConnelsville, OH 43756 as follows:
- 2) **The Term of the Lease** shall be from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010. Either party has the right to at any time during the lease to cancel this lease upon either party giving the other party 60 days written notice of its intention to cancel the lease and at the expiration of the 60 days, will be canceled with no further effect.
- 3) **Rental Amount** - Lessee agrees to pay the Lessor the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00) per month for the use of the space outlined above, which amount may be re-negotiated annually. A letter of amendment signed by both parties may modify the amount to be paid.
- 4) **Lease Expiration** - Lessee agrees that at the expiration of the lease, it shall surrender the premises in good condition, except for normal wear and tear. Lessee agrees to provide routine cleaning to the leased premises.
- 5) **Indemnification**- Lessee agrees to save the Lessor harmless during the term of the Lease, when the Lessee is in actual use of the premises from any and all claims of any kind, nature or description resulting from injury to any person or persons or property and agree to promptly defend any actions which may be brought as a result there of at its own cost and expense.
- 6) **Insurance** - Lessee shall provide written proof of liability insurance coverage indemnifying the County against any claims as a result of Lessee occupying the facility, as currently available and acceptable to the Lessor, with said coverage to remain in effect during the term of said Lease.
- 7) The parties hereto agree that this lease shall not be assigned or sublet without the express written consent of both parties hereto.

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

A bid opening was held in the Commissioners Office at 11:00am for Ambulance Service for Morgan County excluding Homer Township and Ambulance Service for Homer Township. Those in attendance were Don Reynolds, Commissioner, Mike Reed, Commissioner, Andrea Plummer, Commissioners' Clerk, Gary Woodward, M&M Fire Department, and a representative from Community Ambulance. Two bids were received for Ambulance Service in Morgan County excluding Homer Township: M&M Fire Department in the amount of \$36,334.00 monthly and Community Ambulance located in Zanesville, in the amount of \$600,000 a year. No bids were received for Homer Township. Bids for Ambulance Service, for Homer Township is not required because the disbursement of money is under \$25,000.00.

09-626 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to table the bids received for Ambulance Service in Morgan County excluding Homer Township: M&M Fire Department in the amount of \$36,334.00 monthly and Community Ambulance located in Zanesville, in the amount of \$600,000 a year, for further review.

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

09-627 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to enter into an agreement between Southeast Ohio Emergency Medical Services District and the Board of County Commissioners of Morgan for emergency medical services, covering Homer Township, for calendar year 2010.

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

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, stated there are a total of 24 septic systems and 10 are in the ground. Commissioner Reynolds inquired on the November 1st deadline. Mrs. Wells informed the Commissioners the deadline was extended to spring due to the allowance of more septic systems to be completed. The Muskingum Valley Health Center was awarded a \$200,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Development. A discussion was held concerning the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). Commissioners would like to see a notice put in the Morgan County Herald informing local contractors of projects for the NSP.

09-628 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Don Reynolds to appoint Timothy W. Scholl to a three year term to the Board of the Morgan County Regional Airport Authority.

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

Linda Sheets, Office on Aging, discussed wages for employees. Mrs. Sheets asked about closing the Senior Center on Thursday, December 31st, 2009, at 2:00pm. Commissioners do not have a problem with Linda closing her office.

Darel Kuntz, Trustee for Morgan Township, discussed the 209 project.

09-629 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>Amount:</u>	<u>To:</u>
\$26.60	001-0601-5305.00	\$1.00	001-0601-5101.00
		\$25.60	001-0601-5102.00

\$1034.17	001-0601-5368.00	\$1034.17	001-0601-5102.00
\$10,159.60	001-0601-5309.00	\$10,159.60	001-0601-5102.00
\$2914.85	001-0601-5309.00	\$2914.85	001-0601-5367.00
\$8112.00	001-0601-5309.00	\$8112.00	001-0601-5369.01

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

09-630 Motion by Mr. Don Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM

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

Commissioners,

Dean Cain, President

Don Reynolds, Vice-President

Mike Reed, Member

Andrea Plummer, Clerk