

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, January 3, 2011 with the following members present:

Mike Reed, President
Dean Cain, Member
Tim Vanhorn, Member

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. The minutes of the December 30, 2010 meeting were read and approved.

11-01 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the minutes from December 30, 2010.

Vote Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- abstain. Motion Carried

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, reported traveling 141.2 miles responding to dog calls. Mrs. Thompson stated 7 dogs were impounded, 1 dog was redeemed, 1 dog was sold, and SPOT took 5 dogs.

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted a meeting request for herself to Canton District Directors meeting on January 4th, 2011.

Commissioners are in receipt of a letter from Barbara Zonin, Assistant Account Manager, The Addis Group, regarding Ohio Oil Gathering Corp, Franchise Bond #LPM8776364. This was a renewal notice for the Overweight License Bond for the term February 1, 2011 to February 1, 2012.

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, stated she submitted the Septic System Grant; the amount requested was increased to \$150,000. Last Thursday, a scheduling software demonstration was presented to Transit; Shannon plans on scheduling a couple more to broaden their choices. Mrs. Wells provided an update on ABC Manufacturing and the restructuring of the loan with the Ohio Department of Development. ODOD denied interest only payment for December 2010; however, the Commissioners had already approved interest only payments for December-February and encouraged Shannon to get with ABC Manufacturing to get the proper paperwork so we can do all we can for ABC. Currently ABC owes the remaining balance for December 2010 and January 2011. Shannon inquired if Commissioners had seen the CHIP '08 program final report. Commissioners stated they have not seen it yet. Shannon mentioned Transit was awarded the full amount that was requested; in the next couple of weeks hiring additional full-time employees may be recommended. Shannon mentioned last Wednesday, a demonstration for new scheduling software was presented to Transit; Shannon stated she plans on scheduling a couple more to broaden their choices. Mrs. Wells plans to contact ABC Manufacturing concerning the restructuring the loan with the Ohio Department of Development; financial documentation is still needed. Shannon informed the Commissioners the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Grant that is due in February, will not pay for the removal of the bats located in the attic of the Courthouse. The grant is strictly for Parks and Recreation. A 3% wage increase was requested for the Grant Writer and Assistant Grant Writer as well as all Transit employees: including Supervisors, Dispatchers and Drivers. A discussion was held concerning the wage increase. Shannon submitted a list of grants her office has been awarded; a total of \$5,716,380.00

11-02 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim Vanhorn to approve a 3% wage increase to all Transit employees: Supervisors, Dispatchers and Drivers; and a 3% wage increase for the Grant Writer and the Assistant Grant Writer.

Vote Mike Reed- no, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- yea. Motion Carried

Commissioners spoke with Mary Ann Chamberlain, Superintendent, Morgan County Board of Developmental Disabilities, concerning a phone call received in the Commissioner's Office. A concerned family member reported the unhappiness and the anxiety about a family member's health for work contracted between the Board of DD and Ohio Valley Construction Company. A telephone call was made to the family member for clarification. It was stated the work to be completed was to raise the house 4 inches to level, the work was never completed, the house was left in dismay, and nothing has been done since May 2010. The homeowner stated a family member with developmental disabilities was living in the house but due to the condition in which the house was left, the individual had to be moved in with another family member. It was also mentioned the Attorney General's Office was contacted and their advice was for them to contact the Commissioner's Office. Commissioner Reed asked Mary Ann what she knew of the situation. Ms. Chamberlain stated she was unfamiliar with it; however, she mentioned she would check into it.

Mary Ann Chamberlain, Superintendent, Morgan County Board of Developmental Disabilities, submitted a letter to follow up with the issue concerning a phone call received in the Commissioner's Office. The Board of DD is one of eighteen county boards who share membership in a council of governments created under the authority of Chapter 167 of the Ohio Revised Code, called Mid-East Ohio Regional Council (MEORC). The MEORC serves as a third-party to contract with providers for services needed by eligible individuals. Because they handle those arrangements under a contract relationship with us, I was unaware of the details of this situation. Upon speaking with one of her staff, Ms. Chamberlain was informed that an arrangement with an independent contractor was sent to the house to review the work when they were made aware of the homeowner's unhappiness. The independent contractor's report was attached; stating the work that was to be completed was fulfilled.

Mark Howdyshell, Morgan County Prosecutor, met with Commissioners to discuss an inquiry he received regarding two of the Commissioners' wives working for Job and Family Services. Commissioner Reed mentioned he sent an inquiry to the Ethics Commission concerning the same thing and the concern of the county continuing business with Timmy V's gas station. Commissioner Reed is still awaiting a response. Mr. Howdyshell stated the Commissioners spouses were already in their positions, one is in the union and one is not in the union, also the Director of Job and Family Services is between them. Prosecutor Howdyshell advised the Commissioners if they have any questions or doubts to contact the Ethics Commission. Commissioner Reed noted before he took office as Commissioner he checked with the Ethics Commission regarding his wife working for Workforce Development and was informed he could legally sign documents relating to Workforce; however, Mike chooses to abstain from anything pertaining to Workforce.

Larry Albert met with Commissioners and set up a meeting to meet the Dog Warden at the Dog Pound. Mr. Albert inquired on the status of his public records request to obtain copies of the Dog Warden's travel/impound sheets. His Public Records request was ready for him to pick up. Larry commented on Murray city and sewage being flushed into the river; a newspaper article was provided.

Carma Harlow-Johnson, Clerk of Courts, asked Commissioners to supply a letter to the Ohio Clerk of Courts Association, stating there is no money available to pay the dues for the years: 2010 and 2011; due to budgetary hardships. A discussion was held concerning the employees being put back to 40 hours per week. There is a concern from her employees of being reduced back to 32 hours in the future. Commissioners replied they do not anticipate that happening at the present time. Mrs. Harlow-Johnson inquired if her staff could remain on 32 hours a week, but stagger the staff so the office is covered 5 days a week. Commissioners have no problem with Carma's inquiry; their main concern is that the office remains open 5 days a week.

Linda Sheets, Office on Aging, thanked Commissioners for allowing Andrea Plummer, Commissioner's Clerk, for assisting at the senior's luncheon. Mrs. Sheets stated she was short staffed and was grateful for the additional help. Linda inquired on a 3% pay raise for her employees. Commissioners approved Linda to offer a 25-cent raise to her staff.

Judge Mike Lowe, County Court, asked Commissioners to appoint Kelly Williams as Interim Clerk for County Court. Judge Lowe informed the Commissioners Mrs. Tennent, previous County Court Clerk, accepted a position in Muskingum County.

11-03 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim Vanhorn to appoint Kelly Williams as Interim Clerk for County Court.

Vote Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- yea. Motion Carried

11-04 Motion by Mr. Tim Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a Then and Now Resolution to pay the following invoice from Kelly Architectural Services, Inc. in the amount of \$750.00; as requested by Traci Baker, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office.

Vote Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- yea. Motion Carried

11-05 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim Vanhorn to approve a Then and Now Resolution to pay the following invoices from the Morgan County Transit 113 Fund, as requested by Traci Baker, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office:

Staples Credit Plan	\$2077.49
DJH Computers, LLC	\$1984.92
Citizens National Bank	\$ 285.36
Personnel Concepts	\$ 87.85
Morgan County Sheriff's Office	\$ 60.00
UniFirst	\$ 29.00

Vote Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- yea. Motion Carried

11-06 Motion by Mr. Tim Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a Then and Now Resolution to cover the following invoices, as requested by Stevan Hook, Engineer:

Iddings Trucking	\$ 305.50	004-0004-330.00
FNB	\$6885.84	004-0004-304.01
Morgan Meigs Water	\$ 37.50	004-0004-309.00
Fire Extinguisher	\$ 299.75	004-0004-309.02

Eppley Electric	\$ 387.95	004-0004-309.02
Randall Duskey	\$ 85.00	004-0004-309.02
Tom McCoy	\$ 85.00	004-0004-309.02

Vote Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- yea. Motion Carried

11-07 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the following invoices:

VENDOR NAME	DEPARTMENT	CODE	FUND	AMOUNT
Gary Woodward	Auditor's Office	001	Gen. Reimbursement	\$ 125.00
MVG	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 82.67
MVG	Auditor's Office	274	CR	\$ 145.93
MVG	Auditor's Office	274	CR	\$ 329.62
Morris Hardware	County Court	001	General	\$ 71.08
Morris Hardware	Senior Citizens	028	Senior Citizens	\$ 35.97
M&M Fire Dept.	Auditor's Office	327	Amb.	\$ 51,250.00
Morgan Co. Herald	Probate	001	General	\$ 32.90
T&K Auto	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 20.70
Morgan Vet. Services	Dog and Kennel	005	D & K	\$ 28.50
AEP	EMA	009	Contracts	\$ 163.20
AEP	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$ 29.18
AEP	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 4,619.06
AEP	Auditor's Office	274	Riecker	\$ 8,009.07
Morgan Meigs	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$ 37.50
CenturyLink	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 1,067.85
CenturyLink	Auditor's Office	274	CR	\$ 852.62
CenturyLink	Dog and Kennel	005	D & K	\$ 62.21
Columbia Gas	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 660.49
Columbia Gas	EMA/OHS	009	General	\$ 175.00
Columbia Gas	Auditor's Office	274	CR	\$ 66.80
FNB	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$ 6,885.84
BA Disposal	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 21.00
Morgan Behavioral	Auditor's Office	278	CTF	\$ 7,500.00
Morgan Co. Engineer	Felony Care & Custody	023	Felony Care/Custody	\$ 271.28
Galen Finley	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$ 100.00
Transitions	Auditor's Office	051	ML/DD	\$ 2,913.00
Morgan County Court	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 38.95
Auditor of State	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$ 194.05
Morgan County Commissioners	Dog and Kennel	005	D & K	\$ 738.50
County Auditor's Association	Auditor's Office	014	REA	\$ 2,103.00
American Legion	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$ 400.00
Ohio Judicial College	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$ 50.00
John Wells	County Court	001	General	\$ 450.88
Ohio Association of Probate Judges	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$ 350.00
Robert Christie	County Court	001	General	\$ 426.93
AFSCME Care	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$ 240.00
Staples	County Court	001	General	\$ 132.39

Family Dollar	Senior Citizens	028	Senior Citizens	\$	67.35
Morgan Co. Sheriff's Office	Transit	113	113	\$	60.00
Crystal Spring Water	County Court	001	General	\$	8.00
Sharon Stone	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$	222.61
The American Light Co.	Auditor's Office	274	CR	\$	129.28
Sanitary Linen	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	193.26
Debbie Valentine	Senior Citizens	028	Senior Citizens	\$	35.60
Ohio Association of Domestic Relations Judges	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$	110.00
Morgan Co. EMA/OHS	LEPC	029	LEPC	\$	10,000.00
Corrections Commission	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	35,751.00
Robert McInturf	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$	100.00
Kelly Architectural Services, Inc.	Auditor's Office	099	099	\$	750.00
McConnelsville Village	Auditor's Office	274	CR	\$	223.00
McConnelsville Village	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	316.12
McConnelsville Village	EMA/OHS	009	Contracts	\$	20.00
Tom McCoy	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$	85.00
OSU Veterinary Medicine	Dog and Kennel	005	D & K	\$	335.10
OSACVSO	Veteran's Service Office	001	General	\$	70.00
First Communications	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	29.99
First Communications	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	161.18
Fire Extinguisher	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$	299.75
Susan Alderman	Senior Citizens	028	Senior Citizens	\$	22.80
Lexis Nexis	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$	362.98
Lexis Nexis	Probate	001	General	\$	148.46
Citizens National Bank	Transit	113	113	\$	285.36
Iddings Trucking	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$	305.50
Pros. Atty FOJ	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	15,000.00
DJH Computers	Auditor's Office	014	REA	\$	49.99
DJH Computers	Transit	113	113	\$	1,984.92
Intercourt Conference	Felony Care & Custody	023	Felony Care/Custody	\$	150.00
Sheriff's FOJ	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	24,000.00
Randall Duskey	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$	85.00
DDTI	Auditor's Office	010	911	\$	3,810.00
DDTI	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$	500.00
DDTI	Auditor's Office	014	REA	\$	1,250.00
DDTI	Auditor's Office	014	REA	\$	2,099.97
Eppley Electric	Engineer's Office	004	G & M	\$	387.95
Cardmember	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$	460.00
The OSU Extension	Auditor's Office	701	Ext.	\$	38,200.00
Dollar General	Auditor's Office	274	CR	\$	25.00
Morgan Co. Dev. Office	Auditor's Office	110	CDBG	\$	2,400.00
Pitney Bowes	County Court	001	General	\$	44.98
Derrick Moorehead	County Court	001	General	\$	175.00
Staples	Transit	113	113	\$	2,077.49
Time Warner	LEPC	020	Contracts	\$	81.41
Becky Thompson	Dog and Kennel	005	D & K	\$	108.24
Becky Thompson	Dog and Kennel	005	D & K	\$	59.88

Lexur	Auditor's Office	014	REA	\$	5,336.13
The Charles Ritter Company	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$	148.65
Personnel Concepts	Transit	113	113	\$	87.85
Consumer's Gas	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	10.00
Dolbey & Company Inc.	Common Pleas	001	Common Pleas	\$	140.00
UniFirst	Transit	113	113	\$	29.00
Big "O Refuse	Auditor's Office	001	General	\$	73.59
Connie Jean King	Auditor's Office	001	Refund VL	\$	25.00
			TOTAL	\$	239,573.56

Vote Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- yea. Motion Carried

11-08 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Mike Reed to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM.

Vote Mike Reed- yea, Dean Cain- yea, Tim Vanhorn- yea. Motion Carried

Commissioners,

Mike Reed, President

Dean Cain, Member

Tim Vanhorn, Member

Andrea Plummer, Clerk

**** Commissioners were notified Wednesday, January 5th, 2011, at the end of the business day by Missy Fisher, Director, Board of Elections, that Tim Vanhorn's Certificate of Elections was not processed and officially he could not take office until this was completed by Morgan County's Board of Elections.**