

MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RIECKER BUILDING

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, April 18, 2011 with the following members present:

Mike Reed, President
Dean Cain, Vice-President
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 April 11, 2011 meeting were read and approved.

11-154 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the minutes from April 11, 2011.

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

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, reported traveling 91.3 miles responding to dog calls. Mrs. Thompson stated 4 dogs were impounded.

Della Bratton telephoned Commissioners to discuss a news report concerning misuse of federal public funds.

Pam Montgomery, OSU Extension Office, provided an update on Agricultural and Natural Resources: Chris Penrose held an Oil and Gas Presentation at M&M Rotary Farmers Day, taught two programs at the Morgan County Livestock Environmental Assurance Program on April 8th and submitted a \$66,000 Grazing Grant; two Master Gardener meetings (one was a clean-up of Embree Park in Pennsville); a Sheep and Goat program was held on March 29th on parasite control; the Morgan County Cattleman's Association met on April 4th; Farmer's Market opens on April 29th from 4-6pm; and the Community Garden Committee has met twice. Pam updated on 4-H: Camp Counselors have had three training sessions; Junior Leaders have had four meetings in 2011; the next training session for 4-H Volunteers will be held on April 21st, from 6:30pm-8:30pm, at the High School; 527 youth have enrolled in 4-H clubs this year; the last date for 4-h members and FFA members to attend Quality Assurance in the county will be held on May 12th, from 6-8pm, at the High School; the first training session for Counselors in Training will be held on April 28th in room 325 of the Riecker Building, from 6:30pm-8pm. An update was provided on Community Development: the new Convention and Visitor's Bureau website should launch within the month; the CVB has awarded six promotional assistance grants for a total in 2011 of \$4000.00; CVB representatives will be attending the Paddle Palooza, Ohio's Outdoor Expo Show in Columbus, April 22nd and 23rd; the CVB will also attend and exhibit at the Finley Fire Equipment Open House on May 15th; there is t-shirts, hats and key chains with the Front Porch to the Great Outdoors brand on sale at MoCo Artworks; plans are underway to resume the 3rd Saturday on the Square event beginning in May and continuing through October; the Boondocks BBQ and Grill segment filmed for the Food Network's Diner's, Drive-Ins and Dives with Guy Fieri will air in May; the Chamber of Commerce will meet on Wednesday, April 20th. Mrs. Montgomery provided a Family and Consumer Science update: three programs were held at DJFS with a total of 18 attending a program on Healthy Food Choices; eight programs were held at Morgan County United Ministries with a total of 22 attending a program on Healthy Food Choices; two programs were held for Women Infant and Children.

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted meeting requests for Vicki Quesinberry to Belmont CDJFS on May 3rd, for “Canton Directors Association” meeting; Kari Schaad to “Critical Links: The Birth Parent/Foster Parent Relationship” training, on June 3rd, in Athens; Kari Schaad to “Fostering... The Difference” training, on May 12th, in Athens; Kari Schaad to “Preparing Children for Adoption” training, on May 3rd, in Athens. A request for procurement for 3 part NCR Relief order was submitted: Weingart Printing in the amount of \$315.00 and Hyde Brothers Printing in the amount of \$235.00. Vicki mentioned the union is working with extension until April 30, 2011.

11-155 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$20,000.00 from 050-0050-5301.00 SCPA and place into 050-0050-5303.00 Misc. Expenses; as requested by Heidi Burns, Fiscal Supervisor, Job and Family Services.

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

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners’ Development Office, informed the Commissioners Transit is receiving 2 new vans, replacing 2 Board of DD vehicles. A discussion was held concerning a local business. Commissioners also discussed last week’s Broadband meeting with Horizon with Shannon. Shannon informed Commissioners she will not know how much Morgan County will be awarded for the 2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) until late June. There is an expected 7-62% cut in funding which will affect the Microenterprise, Neighborhood Revitalization, Revolving Loan Fund and CDBG monies. Mrs. Wells stated three quotes were received for the Marion Township 2010 Formula Culvert project from: Carter Lumber, ADS Culvert and Baltimore Builders Supply & Millwork, Inc. Carter Lumber was the lowest quote.

11-156 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to award the Marion Township 2010 Formula Culvert project to Carter Lumber, as recommended by Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners’ Development Office.

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

11-157 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, Vice-President

Tim VanHorn, Member

Andrea Plummer, Clerk