

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, May 16, 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 May 2 and 9, 2011 meeting were read and approved.

**11-179** Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the minutes from May 2, 2011.

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

**11-180** Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the minutes from May 9, 2011.

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

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, reported traveling 239.1 miles responding to dog calls. Mrs. Thompson stated 6 dogs were impounded, 3 dogs were euthanized and SPOT took 1 dog.

Heidi Burns, Job and Family Services, submitted two transfers of funds.

**11-181** Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following transfer of funds as requested by Heidi Burns, Fiscal Supervisor, Job and Family Services:

FROM:	TO:	AMOUNT:
050-0050-5301.00 SCPA	050-0050-5303.00 Misc. Expenses	\$30,000.00
050-0050-5304.00 Admin/Training	050-0050-5303.00 Misc. Expenses	\$ 1,000.00

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

**11-182** Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following transfer of funds as requested by Heidi Burns, Fiscal Supervisor, Job and Family Services:

FROM:	TO:	AMOUNT:
349-0349-5305.00 Rapid Response	349-0349-5303.00 Dislocated Worker	\$30,000.00

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

Stevan Hook, Engineer met with Commissioners to submit a utility application and requested permission to purchase salt from the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Commissioners are in receipt of an application submitted by Gatherco, Inc. to bore under County Roads 4, 40, 47, 25, 74, 24 and 51, located in Malta and Deerfield Townships, multiple section nos., Morgan County, Ohio to be for an eight inch diameter natural gas line. The construction of this project will be completed by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

**11-183 Motion** by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to authorize Stevan Hook, Engineer, to purchase salt from the Ohio Department of Transportation.

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

Gary Woodward, Auditor, expressed concerns with Transit sponsoring a softball team in Stockport by purchasing t-shirts. Commissioners stated they were aware of Transit sponsoring a team and mentioned this was a way for Transit to advertise in an area that does not utilize Transit as much as Malta/McConnelsville. Mr. Woodward also mentioned the resent pay raises at the Health Department. Commissioners stated they were unaware of the pay increases.

Pam Montgomery, OSU Extension, updated Commissioners on Agricultural and Natural Resources: Chris Penrose participated in the following meetings in the past month: High School Career Day, Senior Fair Board and Master Gardeners. Chris taught ATV Safety at East Elementary. Traps are set out in the county to monitor new insects that can pose problems; this is part of a state-wide study. Mr. Penrose taught Oil & Gas meetings in the area; the next one will be held at the S.E. Regional Office in Belle Valley on June 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm. Interested individuals should call the Guernsey County Office at 740-489-5300 for reservations. Mrs. Montgomery updated Commissioners on 4-H: Camp Counselors has had five training sessions and one workday; Junior Leaders requested to clean-up the flower bed and plant annuals on June 1<sup>st</sup> as part of their community service in front of the Riecker Building. Commissioners granted them permission. Older Youth in Training members have been busy planning Cloverbud Camp; the last Quality Assurance in the county was May 12<sup>th</sup>; Skilathon kits will be set up at three different locations for youth enrolled in livestock projects to practice; CARTEENS presented a brief overview of the program to Family and Children First Council on May 13<sup>th</sup>. An update was provided for Family and Consumer Sciences: numerous programs were held at the Department of Job and Family Services, Morgan County United Ministries and for the Women Infant and Children Program by Elaine Lindimore.

Amy Grove, OSU Extension, submitted copies of the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)/Governors Office of Appalachia (GOA) map rollout titled "Civil War: The Home Front". Amy requested permission for a quilt show to be held in the Courthouse Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> during the Civil War Reenactment; for the most part it will be held during normal business hours. Commissioner Cain stated the Commissioners would need to confer with Judge Favreau. Amy inquired on the proper procedure for interested individuals who would like to put signs/banners at the Grove/Commons area. Commissioners informed Amy, interested individuals need to request permission to put up banners/signs from the Commissioner's Office. Mrs. Grove provided an update on the Community Garden. A discussion was held concerning where the county can purchase new county flags: Amy mentioned the county purchased them before from: The Flag Lady Inc., located in Columbus.

Missy Fisher, Director, Board of Elections, inquired on reimbursement for a bill she paid to their attorney in the amount of \$1605.96; McTigue & McGinnis LLC Attorney's at Law. Commissioner Reed informed Missy the transfer would be done by the end of the day. Missy also mentioned her office is \$700 short in paying for batteries for the voting machines they ordered. Commissioner Reed requested Missy hold off until next week to transfer money within their line items and submit their bill. Commissioners will make arrangements at that time for the shortfall in funds for the batteries.

Kelly Caldwell, Humane Agent, informed Commissioners of a situation she investigated concerning livestock at large.

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, informed Commissioners of the quotes received for four laptop computers, software etc. for the Multi-genealogical Society Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) project. Quotes were received from: Best Buy, Staples and DJH Computers. The Multi-genealogical Society was awarded \$4800 in RLF funds; DJH was the low-bid in the amount of \$4868.00. The Multi-genealogical Society has agreed to pay the amount above what they were awarded. Commissioners discussed Transit sponsoring a softball team in Stockport. Shannon responded this was a way for Transit to advertise in a more rural area which does not utilize Transit.

**11-184 Motion** by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to award the Multi-genealogical Society Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) project to DJH Computers in the amount of \$4868.00, for four laptop computers, software etc.

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

Morgan County Commissioners attended a public viewing of Township Road 644 (Rodeback Lane) in Manchester Township at 11:00am, for the purpose of vacating a portion of this road. Township Road 644 is located in Section 33 in Manchester Township. Commencing at the present day intersection of Township Road 644 (Rodeback Lane) and Township Road 237 (Blackburn Creek Road), thence along the centerline of Township Road 644, Rodeback Lane, 733 feet (0.14 mile) to the place of beginning, continuing along the centerline of Township Road 644, 0.352 mile to the terminus of this vacation. It is intended to vacate all of Township Road 644 save and except the first 0.14 mile.

A public hearing was held in the Commissioner's Office at 1:30pm for the purpose of vacating a portion of Township Road 644 (Rodeback Lane) in Manchester Township. Those in attendance were: Commissioner Reed, Commissioner Cain, Commissioner VanHorn, Commissioner's Clerk, Andrea Plummer, and Eugene Robinson, landowner. With no objections, Commissioners approved the following resolution.

**11-185 Motion** by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to vacate a portion of Township Road 644 (Rodeback Lane) in Manchester Township. Township Road 644 is located in Section 33 in Manchester Township. Commencing at the present day intersection of Township Road 644 (Rodeback Lane) and Township Road 237 (Blackburn Creek Road), thence along the centerline of Township Road 644, Rodeback Lane, 733 feet (0.14 mile) to the place of beginning, continuing along the centerline of Township Road 644, 0.352 mile to the terminus of this vacation. It is intended to vacate all of Township Road 644 save and except the first 0.14 mile.

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

**11-186 Motion** by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$2500.00 out of Large Equipment Account (k-13) 004-0004-304.01 and place into Small Equipment Account (k-4) 004-0004-304.00; as requested by Stevan Hook, Engineer.

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

**11-187 Motion** by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the following:

A transfer of funds in the amount of \$797.00 from Commissioner’s Legal Counsel 001-0101-5311 and place into Board of Election’s Repairs 001-0301-5305.

A transfer of funds in the amount of \$808.96 from Commissioner’s Legal Counsel 001-0101-5311 and place into Board of Election’s Other 001-0301-5309.

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

Dawn Rauch, Washington-Morgan Community Action, submitted a response to monitoring report B-C-08-1CA-1 and B-C-08-1CA-2 for Commissioners signature.

Commissioners attended a tour of the new Muskingum Valley Health Center facility in Malta at 3:00pm.

**11-188** Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the following invoices as attached to the minutes.

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

**11-189** 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,**

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**Mike Reed, President**

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**Dean Cain, Vice-President**

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**Tim VanHorn, Member**

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**Andrea Plummer, Clerk**