

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, August 22, 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 August 15, 2011 meeting were read and approved.

11-316 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the minutes from August 15, 2011.

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

Jim Konkoly, Morgan County Herald, inquired on the final bill for the Commissioner's Attorney regarding the Board of Elections lawsuit.

Commissioners are in receipt of a request submitted by Crystal Moler for the Chip-N-Dip 4-H Club to use the plastic recycling bottles during the week of the Morgan County Fair, September 4th -10th, 2011; in an effort to promote and aid in recycling. The bottles will be cleaned and returned to the Riecker building after the fair. Commissioners approved the request.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, reported traveling 194.2 miles responding to dog calls. Mrs. Thompson stated 9 dogs were impounded, 1 dog was found in outside cage and 4 dogs were euthanized.

Mark Jenkins, EMA Director, brought up all the files he could locate regarding the Demolition Project located at 3410 East State Route 266, Stockport Ohio 43787 for the Repetitive Flood Claims Program (RFC) FY 2007.

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted the contract with The Callos Companies, for payroll services for Workforce Investment NEG Dislocated Employees for Commissioner's signatures.

Gary Woodward, Auditor, informed Commissioners of additional illegal dumping and mentioned concerns with the gate at the Yard Waste Facility. Commissioners stated they would notify Rob Reiter, Southeastern Ohio Joint Solid Waste Management District, and would speak to Engineer Hook about the gate.

A public hearing was held in the Commissioner's Office at 10:00am for the purpose of the Morgan County Commissioners applying to the Ohio Department of Transportation for an operating and capital assistance grant under U.S.C. Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Laws, as codified, and the Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program. The operating grant will provide financial assistance for public transportation service for the residents of Morgan County during CY 2012. The capital grant will provide financial assistance for capitalized maintenance and the purchase of one modified mini-van and two light transit narrow body vans for the Morgan County Public Transit system during CY 2012. Those in attendance were: Commissioner Reed, Commissioner Cain, Commissioner VanHorn, Andrea Plummer,

Commissioner's Clerk, and Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office. There were no public comments.

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, submitted the Agreement for the 2010 Malta Neighborhood Revitalization Program for the Phase I Sewer Separation with Zemba Brothers Inc. for Commissioners signature. The new Transit Policy and Procedure Manual was submitted for Commissioners review. Shannon made the Commissioners aware the Prosecutor mailed letters to the Murray's regarding the lien on their property located at 1800 Broadway Street in Stockport Ohio. Shannon stated she is still waiting on the new loan agreement to be drawn up by the Prosecutor for a local manufacturing facility. A discussion was held concerning only one local contractor signed up to perform work through the CHIP Program; outside contractors will have to be used. Commissioner Reed stated he can not imagine any local contractor that can afford to turn down work. Shannon acknowledged the Morgan County Community Improvement Corporation can not apply for the \$848,000 purchase/demo/reclaim State Route 60 project due to the entity is not eligible to apply. Shannon affirmed the pre-application is ready and she plans on asking Bloom Township if they would be interested.

11-317 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$50,000 into REA Contracts, 014-0014-5306.00; as requested by Gary Woodward, Auditor.

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

11-318 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$2209.71 from 030-0030-5309.00 and place \$2178.13 into 030-0030-5102.00 and \$31.58 into 030-0030-5368.00; as requested by Rebecca Foster, Treasurer.

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

11-319 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$1000.00 from 068-2011-5309.00 Other Expenses and place into 068-2011-5304.00 Equipment; as requested by Terry McGrew, Health Department.

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

Peggy Barnes, Recorder, held a conversation with Commissioners regarding the influx of oil companies and the need for more help in her office. Gary Woodward, Auditor, was in attendance. Peggy stated if she hires two part-time employees the office will charge \$2.00 per copy and the Recorder's Office will make the copies. This increase in revenue from the copies will for the most part pay for the two part-time employees. Commissioner Reed suggested having split shifts for the part-time employees, as to eliminate a paid lunch. A discussion was held concerning the difference between a contract worker and a part time employee. Commissioners requested to see a report on the amount of copies made per day from last year to current.

Commissioners held a discussion with Peggy Barnes, Recorder, concerning the report she submitted for copies made in the Recorder's Office. After reviewing the report, Commissioners passed the following resolution.

11-320 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to allow Peggy Barnes, Recorder, to hire two part-time employees, 4 hours each per day (8am-12pm; 12pm-4pm), through December 31, 2011. Commissioners will revisit this in December.

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

Heidi Burns and DeeAnn Vandine, Job and Family Services, discussed Worker's Comp for PWRE clients; who is responsible for choosing a 3rd party to represent JFS. Gary Woodward, Auditor, was also in attendance. Heidi stated JFS has never chosen a 3rd party in the past. Commissioners affirmed they do not know whose responsibility it falls on. The Commissioners acknowledge they have never dealt with this before either. Heidi and Dee mentioned a Workers Comp claim with a PWRE client and confirmed they will follow up with the Prosecutor regarding this.

Azcal Wilson, Bailey Wilson, Louise Pennock and Missy Fisher, Board of Elections, inquired on the status of vouchers that was submitted for their office.

11-321 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$400.00 from Employees Salary 001-0301-5102.00 and place into Contract Services 001-0301-5309.00; as requested by Missy Fisher, Board of Elections.

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

Marilyn Jane Barnett and Faye Black, FAJA LLC, updated Commissioners on relocating their Beverly office for a Curves facility to the available office space located within the Riecker building. Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, was also in attendance. Marilyn mentioned finally Curves approved their request to relocate into Morgan County; however, they asked the Commissioners for a couple months of free rent until they get up and running. They intend on moving into the Riecker building October, 2011. It was mentioned, they still have a lease in Beverly throughout the remainder of this year they will have to pay out. Commissioners stated they will need time to discuss their request and will have an answer for them on Monday, August 29, 2011. Marilyn noted they will have a booth at the Morgan County Fair again this year and will advertise their new location. Marilyn and Faye thanked the Commissioners for their consideration and for being patient with them on the lengthy process with Curves. It was brought to the Commissioners attention of the minor repairs that need done in the available office space in the Riecker building. Commissioners stated they will check into it.

Linda Sheets, Office on Aging, requested the Commissioners appoint one of them as a contact person regarding any discrimination complaints. Commissioners passed the following resolution as provided by Linda.

11-322 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following:

The Morgan County commissioner are committed to equal employment opportunities for all applicants, participants and employees in all facets of its operation; and where deficiencies are noted to take affirmative action to correct such deficiencies. In addition, it is our policy to recruit, hire and promote in all job classifications without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex (except where sex is a bonafide occupational qualification), ancestry, age, political affiliation for beliefs, or handicap (provided physical limitation does not prevent job performance).

It is our policy to take affirmative action to ensure that all training programs and all personnel actions

such as a rate of compensation, benefits, transfers, promotions, layoff, and termination's are administered without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, political affiliation, handicap or beliefs.

Linda Sheets, Program Director, will have the overall responsibility of administering the program. If a Program participant of applicant feels he/she has been discriminated against in employment, seeking employment and/or training with this agency, he/she should immediately contact Tim VanHorn to pursue the proper discrimination complaint procedure.

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

A public meeting was held in the Commissioner's Office at 3:00pm in order to appoint members to the Ohio Public Works, Issue 1, County Sub-Committee Board. Members will be chosen to represent each of the following: Board of Commissioners, the Mayors of the County, and the County Engineer's Office. These members will be responsible for determining the priority of Round #26, Morgan County Issue 1 projects. Those in attendance were: Commissioner Cain, Commissioner VanHorn, Andrea Plummer, Commissioner's Clerk, and Stevan Hook, Engineer.

The committee is a 5 member group from the following government entities: 1 member from the Commissioners' office, 1 member from the Mayor's office, 1 member from the Township Trustees', 1 member from the County Engineer's office, and the 5th member to be chosen by the other four to represent the general public.

11-323 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to appoint Dean Cain as the representative and Tim VanHorn as the alternate representative to the County Sub-Committee of the Issue I for Round #26.

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

No one from any of the Mayor's Offices was present to participate. The Mayors will have to address this issue at a later time.

The County Engineer's office appointed Mr. Steve Hook as their representative and Mr. Jeff McInturf as the alternate to represent the Engineers' office on the County Sub-Committee.

The Township Trustees will hold their meeting later tonight to name their representative and alternate to the Board.

The 5th member will be chosen at a subsequent meeting, by the other four members, to represent the general public. Anyone interested in representing the general public should contact one of the Board Representatives. John McCort is interested in this position.

Sharon Rolf, Mitigation Specialist, Ohio Emergency Management Agency, met with Commissioners and went through all the files that could be located regarding the Demolition Project located at 3410 East State Route 266, Stockport Ohio 43787 for the Repetitive Flood Claims Program (RFC) FY 2007. Commissioner Cain and Commissioner VanHorn traveled with Ms. Rolf to the property in order for her to complete an assessment on the demolition that took place.

11-324 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

11-325 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. VanHorn to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM.

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

Commissioners,

Mike Reed, President

Dean Cain, Vice-President

Tim VanHorn, Member

Andrea Plummer, Clerk