

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, September 19, 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.

Freda VanHorn, Workforce Development, introduced Keith Nelson as Program Coordinator and Jody Woodward as Supervisor for the Workforce Investment NEG Dislocated Employees Flood Grant program to clean debris from local streams and creeks. Currently there are 2-3 projects; Keith will be working to obtain more projects. Commissioners provided a quote for leasing a county vehicle for use in transportation of employees for the Flood Grant program.

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, noted the rehabilitation to Transit's facility started today. Shannon mentioned the Development Office will be closed on Wednesday, September 21, 2011; due to Drug and Alcohol Training in Columbus. Mrs. Wells submitted a resolution for the Commissioners to act upon concerning the FY11 Microenterprise.

11-372 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following:

The Morgan County Board of Commissioners does hereby resolve to apply to the Ohio Department of Development for \$60,000 in FY2011 Community Development Block Grant Discretionary Funds and do hereby authorize Mike Reed, President, to sign all necessary application materials.

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

11-373 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to award the contract for County Road 2 and County Road 3 for slip repair to RC Wilson, for the low quote as recommended by Stevan Hook, Engineer.

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

11-374 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to award the contract for County Road 2A for drill piling to Shelly and Sands Inc.; as recommended by Stevan Hook, Engineer.

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

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, reported traveling 137.8 miles responding to dog calls. Mrs. Thompson stated 13 dogs were impounded and SPOT took 13 dogs.

Pam Montgomery, OSU Extension, provided Agricultural and Natural Resources updates: Cliff Little and Chris Penrose taught an Oil and Gas meeting at the High School, over 220 attended the meeting. OSU Extension was a co-sponsor for the Farm Trauma program at the fairgrounds on August 29th (80 people

attended). The Master Gardeners are wrapping up the first season of the Morgan Community Garden. The Farmer's Market continues through the last Friday in October. Pam updated Commissioners on 4-H: 18 clubs put up booth displays plus those from Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Shooting Sports, FFA, Cloverbuds and OSU Misc. in the Junior Fair Building. Junior Fair Wrap up meeting was held on September 15th. CARTEENS has a program scheduled for October 25th from 6:30-8:30pm. Older Youth letters for 4-H members 14 years old or older as of January 1st, 2012 will go out in mid-November as OSU begins the process for a new 4-H year. Individuals interested in being a 4-H Advisor for 2012 can call the office and leave their name, phone number and address. Packets for potential new advisors will go out in middle to late October 2011. 4-H Advisor Committee will meet September 26th from 7-8:30pm. Mrs. Montgomery reported for Community Development the Chesterhill Produce Auction is going very well and sales numbers are up from 2010. For several weeks they have been running two auctions simultaneously, one for the large lots and other for the small ones. This system will continue through the 2011 season. The Convention and Visitors Bureau are planning to attend Wildzfest at the Wilds on October 1st. The Wilds is estimating attendance at approximately 5000 giving the CVB and other vendors the opportunity to interact with many folks from outside the county and promote Morgan County. Deana Clark and Amy Grove are planning to attend the Division of Tourism Town Hall meeting in Athens on September 27th. Upcoming CVB events: Burr Oak Autumn Fest on September 24th and 25th, Harvest Festival in Chesterhill on October 1st, and the Hickory Ridge Festival on Hickory Ridge on October 1st. A Family and Consumer Science update was provided: Co-Parenting for Never Married Co-Parents is scheduled for October 18th from 6:30pm-8:30pm. Individuals who want to register for the class can call the Extension Office at 740-962-4854. Elaine Lindimore has been holding programs for the Family Nutrition Program for Department of Job and Family Services, Morgan County United Ministries, Morgan County Office on Aging, Farmers Market, The Kids Shop and Women Infant and Children. Elaine Lindimore and Pam Montgomery attended the State Food and Nutrition Business meeting in Columbus, September 1st for the new grant cycle that starts October 1st. The next Extension Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for October 10th.

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted a meeting request for Cheryl Bailey to Athens on November 3rd and 4th for "Investigating Child Sexual Abuse Cases".

Gary Woodward, Auditor, held a conversation with the Commissioners concerning the Program Coordinator position for the Workforce Investment NEG Dislocated Employees Flood Grant program.

Jim Konkoly met with Commissioners to inform them he was no longer employed as Reporter for the Morgan County Herald.

Angelo Kallipolitis and Rick Cox, Sands Decker CPS LLC, met with Commissioners to introduce themselves and stated Sands Decker CPS LLC is an established Ohio based engineering and surveying firm, providing civil engineering and land surveying services for a variety of state, municipal, educational and private clients from our offices in Logan, Columbus, and Zanesville, Ohio. They have been working with Morgan Local Schools, M&M Fire Department, and other local agencies. Mr. Kallipolitis and Mr. Cox submitted their business cards should the Commissioners want to speak with them concerning a future project, whether it be specific site or infrastructure design, wastewater systems, water treatment, storm water management, transportation and traffic design, or land surveying. Commissioners thanked the gentlemen for coming in and speaking with them.

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, submitted a resolution for Commissioners to act upon to authorize the submittal of a proposal with the Ohio Department of Transportation for grants through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

11-375 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following, as requested by Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office:

A resolution authorizing the submittal of (a) proposal(s) with the Ohio Department of Transportation for grants through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as authorized under Federal Transit Laws, as codified, 49 USC Section 5311, Financial Assistance for other than urbanized areas and funds available from the Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program and executing a contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation upon grant proposal acceptance.

WHEREAS, the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants for a public transportation program;

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the proposer, including the provision by it of the local share of the project costs in the program;

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of a proposal for assistance under 49 USC Section 5311 the proposer give an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the Proposer that disadvantaged business enterprise be used to the fullest extent possible in connection with this/these project(s), and that definite procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that disadvantaged businesses shall have the maximum construction contracts, supplies, equipment contracts, or consultant and other services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
(Governing Body of Proposer)

1. That the President is authorized to execute and submit (a) proposal(s) on behalf of the MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS with the Ohio Department of Transportation to aid in the financing of capital and operating assistance projects pursuant to 49 USC Section 5311 and the Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program.
2. The PRESIDENT is authorized to execute and file with such proposal and assurance or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
3. That the PRESIDENT is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Ohio Department of Transportation may require in connection with the proposal for the program of projects submitted to FTA.
4. That the PRESIDENT is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative disadvantaged business policies in connection to any procurement made as part of the project.
5. That the PRESIDENT is authorized to execute grant agreements on behalf of the MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS with the Ohio Department of Transportation for aid in the financing of operating and capital assistance projects.

The undersigned duly qualified and acting PRESIDENT of the MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS held on SEPTEMBER 19, 2011.

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

Mike Workman, Morgan County Community Improvement Corporation, and Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, met with Commissioners to discuss the county applying to the State of Ohio Emergency Management Agency – Hazard Mitigation Program for the acquisition/demolition of property near Smithville. Bloom Township was not interested in applying. A discussion was held regarding the concern with the county taking on the responsibility of maintaining the property. A suggestion was mentioned the county could lease the property to the Friends of the Lower Muskingum River to maintain. Commissioners agreed to submit the pre-application for the State of Ohio Emergency Management Agency – Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for federally declared FEMA DR-4002-OH.

11-376 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to renew the contract with the Auditor of State's Office for three years in the amount of \$8750.00 to perform the following services and agree to the terms and conditions, as submitted by Gary Woodward, Auditor:

Using the Auditor of State's conversion software and information provided by the County, the local Government Services Section of the Office of the Auditor of State (LGS) will compile the basic financial statements for Morgan County for the years ending December 31, 2011, December 31, 2012, and December 31, 2013, based upon an "Other Comprehensive Basis of Accounting." For Morgan County, the financial statements will be based on the cash basis of accounting.

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

11-377 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$6000.00 from 063-0063-5102.00 Salaries and place into 063-0063-5309.05 Vaccine; as requested by Terry McGrew, Health Department.

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

11-378 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the following transfer of funds: \$179.21 from Worker's Comp. 005-0005-5369.00 and place into PERS 005-0005-5367.00; \$15.00 from Worker's Comp. 005-0005-5369.00 and place into Medicare 005-0005-5368.00; and to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$2000.00 into Other Expenses 005-0005-5309.00; as requested by Katy Chapin, Chief Deputy Auditor.

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

John Murphy and Jason Townsend met with Commissioners. Becky Thompson, Dog Warden, was also present. Commissioners offered the Dog Warden position to John Murphy and the Deputy Dog Warden position to Jason Townsend; both accepted the positions. Becky stated she is willing to stay and train the new Dog Wardens until Monday, September 26th, 2011.

11-379 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to appoint John Murphy as Dog Warden and Jason Townsend as Deputy Dog Warden, effective Monday, September 19, 2011.

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

11-380 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

11-381 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