

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Tuesday, October 11, 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 October 3, 2011 meeting were read and approved.

11-406 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the minutes from October 3, 2011.

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

John Murphy, Dog Warden, reported traveling 153.5 miles responding to dog calls. Mr. Murphy stated 5 dogs were impounded, 3 dogs were euthanized and 1 dog was adopted.

Jason Townsend, Deputy Dog Warden, reported traveling 85.4 miles and 6 hours assisting the Dog Warden.

Commissioners met with Sheriff Jenkins, Sr. concerning the carport located behind the Sheriff's Department. Commissioners discussed main supports caving in due to possible termites. Commissioners agreed unanimously to seek the cost to repair or replace the carport.

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, submitted meeting requests for Laura Kloh and Dee Vandine to "OCDA Fall Training Conference" on October 19th through 21st, in Dublin; Jan Snouffer to "Investigating Child Sexual Abuse Cases" on November 3rd and 4th, in Athens.

Shannon Wells, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office, mentioned she attended a meeting last Friday at Burr Oak Lodge with Mike Workman, Morgan County Community Improvement Corp., David Payne, Chief Ohio State Parks, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, also Kathy Smedley, Burr Oak employee. Shannon noted another meeting has been scheduled for this Thursday, October 13th. Shannon provided an update on a local manufacturing company. A discussion was held concerning Transit payroll and comp time. Commissioners approved and signed the Loan Modification Agreement with ABC Manufacturing, Inc.

Gary Woodward, Auditor, informed the Commissioners of the Southeastern Ohio Regional Joint Jail bills: \$31,070 this month and \$36,272 next month. Gary mentioned the shortfall in the Riecker fund for Contracts. It was stated the county will not reach its' anticipated receipts.

Jim Caldwell, President of Caldwell Holdings LLC, located in Marietta, Ohio and owner of Marcellus Utica Frac Water, spoke with Commissioners concerning buying bulk water. This opportunity could be extended to private landowners, all County, Village and City Governments, including School Districts and Townships within Morgan County. Mr. Caldwell stated his company brokers water for use in the oil and

gas industry. They in turn will use the water for drilling and fracking operations in the Marcellus and Utica wells. This water comes from both private and public sources. Each of the deep wells may require up to 10 million gallons of water to drill or frack. The sources of water Jim's company brokers for are: untreated water, treated water, surplus treated water, lake and pond water, treated water from sewage treatment plants and river water. Mr. Caldwell proposal: grant an easement to access the River for the sole purpose of withdrawing water on any locations the Commissioners wish and own. Commissioners stated they would need to speak with the Prosecutor before engaging into an agreement.

Alex Collins, Aspen Energy Corp., met with Commissioners and updated them on the county's aggregation on electric.

11-407 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$15,000.00 for 085 Revolving Loan Fund in Micro Enterprise Loan Disbursements; as requested by Traci Baker, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office.

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

11-408 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$2794.05 from 001-1501-5309.00 and place into 001-0108-5315.00 in order to pay 2010 financial audit costs, as requested by Gary Woodward, Auditor.

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

11-409 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$143.94 from 082-0082-5309.00 and place into 082-0082-5307.00; as requested by Terry McGrew, Health Department.

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

11-410 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$10,000 from 113-0113-5305.00 Maintenance and Repair and place into 113-0113-5307.00 Travel; as requested by Traci Baker, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office.

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

11-411 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

11-412 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