

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, October 24, 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 17, 2011 meeting were read and approved.

11-430 Motion by Mr. Mike Reed and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve the minutes from October 17, 2011.

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

Commissioners met with Mark Howdysshell, Prosecutor, concerning the county entering into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for an upgrade to Monastery Road (Township Road 209). The Commissioners have an apprehension with Section III of the agreement which states: The County does hereby propose to assume and contribute the entire cost and expense of the improvement, less the amount of Federal Aid Funds set aside by the Director of Transportation for financing this improvement from funds allocated by the Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, and further, the County agrees to bear one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of the following items: all costs for added construction items generating extra work contracts under Ohio laws, unless performance is approved by the State of Ohio and Federal Highway Administration before work is authorized. Prosecutor Howdysshell stated by signing this agreement, the county will be liable for all costs over the budgeted amount. In addition, the Commissioners would need to set aside monies in case there were overages. The county's financial concerns were acknowledged.

Commissioners held a telephone conference with Steve Williams, Ohio Department of Transportation, concerning an upgrade to Monastery Road (Township Road 209). Commissioners' main concern is the county being held financially responsible for the overages to the project. Commissioners made it clear the county is barely making ends meet. Steve stated he will not award a contract if the bids are over budget and assured the Commissioners he will personally be involved in this project and if it appears the project will go over budget he will shut it down. If the contract isn't signed today, the project will be pushed off for at least another year. Commissioners are confident in Mr. Williams; for that reason, the following resolution was passed.

11-431 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the described project:

Upgrade Monastery Road (Township Road 209) to improve the horizontal and vertical alignments. Begin work 0.70 miles north of the State Route 60 and end work 0.44 miles north of the intersection with McGovern Land (Township Road 696). Work includes the reconstruction of 0.06 miles of McGovern Lane (Township Road 696). Total length of work is approximately 0.58 miles.

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

Commissioners entered into an Agreement to Provide Professional Consulting Services with MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc. for the development of a central services cost allocation plan which identifies the various costs incurred by the County to support and administer Federal programs for the base year 2011, 2012 and 2013.

John Murphy, Dog Warden, reported traveling 176.2 miles responding to dog calls. Mr. Murphy stated 5 dogs were impounded and SPOT took 3 dogs.

Lori Lowe, Superintendent, Morgan Local School District, and Richard Murray, Superintendent, Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center, met with Commissioners to request a letter of support for the Southeast Ohio Shared Service Pilot Project to be submitted to the Ohio Department of Education. This project involves all school districts in Coshocton, Morgan and Muskingum Counties. The shared services model for transportation would include purchasing fuel, tires, etc. Between all the school districts in the three counties: the combined 272 busses drive 3.4 million miles a year; in addition, 7.5 million dollars are spent on school busses each year. A concern was discussed how this would effect local businesses. Mrs. Lowe made it clear if she can keep business local, she intends to.

11-432 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to support the Southeast Ohio Shared Service Pilot Project to be submitted to the Ohio Department of Education by the Southeast Ohio Collaborative involving all school districts within Coshocton, Morgan and Muskingum Counties.

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

Vicki Quesinberry, Director, Job and Family Services, informed the Commissioners the Council of Governments meeting will be held on Thursday, October 27th in Monroe County. Commissioner Reed mentioned the Commissioners received an email this morning stating this meeting has been cancelled.

Katy Chapin, Chief Deputy Auditor, updated Commissioners on an employee on salary continuation for a Worker's Comp claim.

Linda Sheets, Office on Aging, informed Commissioners the seniors will be taking a trip to Longaberger on Wednesday, November 2nd.

11-433 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following transfers, as requested by Traci Baker, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office:

- \$1260.00 from 112-0112-5301.00 Federal Asst. (Capital Replacement) and place into 112-0112-5303.00 Miscellaneous Asst. (Capital Replacement)
- \$52,363.00 from 112-0112-5301.00 Federal Asst. (Capital Replacement) and place into 112-0112-5309.00 Building Miscellaneous Expenses

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

11-434 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$50.00 from 085-0085-5102.00 Salary and place into 085-0085-5369.00 Workers' Comp., as requested by Traci Baker, Morgan County Commissioners' Development Office.

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

11-435 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$500.00 from 001-0904-5102.00 and place into 001-0903-5303.00; as requested by Pamela Morrow, Morgan County Veterans Service Office.

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

11-436 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following transfers of funds, as requested by Mike Totman, Court Administrator & Chief Probation Officer:

| <u>Amount:</u> | <u>From:</u> | <u>To:</u> |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| \$1496.70 | 001-0203-5310.00 | 001-0203-5119.00 |
| \$2177.50 | 001-0203-5310.00 | 001-0203-5367.00 |
| \$106.30 | 001-0203-5310.00 | 001-0203-5368.00 |
| \$1219.50 | 001-0203-5310.00 | 001-0203-5309.00 |

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

11-437 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$425.00 from 001-0207-5102.00 Salary and place into 001-0207-5323.00 Foreign Judge; as requested by Kelly Williams, Interim Clerk, County Court.

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

11-438 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a Then and Now Resolution in order to cover the following invoice from Center Township in the amount of \$3140.00 from 004-0004-316.00; as requested by Stevan Hook, Engineer.

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

11-439 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$5925.21 from 001-1501-5309.00 and place into 001-1501-5328.00 in order to pay indigent defense costs; as requested by Gary Woodward, Auditor.

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

11-440 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve the following transfer of funds, as requested by Di Cline, Morgan County Board of DD:

| <u>Amount:</u> | <u>From:</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| \$ 3,000.00 | 017-0017-5304.00 Equipment |
| \$11,000.00 | 017-0017-5307.00 Travel |
| \$ 7,688.00 | 017-0017-5309.00 Other Expense |
| \$ 7,887.00 | 017-0017-5369.00 Worker's Comp. |
| \$ 2,500.00 | 017-0017-5370.00 Unemployment |
| \$48,000.00 | 017-0017-5371.00 Insurance |

****And place amounts into 017-0017-5373.00 Saved Match_**

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

11-441 Motion by Mr. Tim VanHorn and seconded by Mr. Dean Cain to approve a transfer of funds in the amount of \$3500.00 from 001-0905-5375.00 and place into Commissioners Legal Counsel 001-0101-5311.00.

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

11-442 Motion by Mr. Dean Cain and seconded by Mr. Tim VanHorn to approve a Then and Now Resolution in order to pay the following invoice to Tara Payne in the amount of \$70.00 for Parent Rep stipend for attending Family and Children First meetings out of account 083-0083-5306.00; as requested by Andrea Plummer, Coordinator, Family and Children First.

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

11-443 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

11-444 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