

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, October 15, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.  
The minutes of October 9, 2012 were read and approved.

Mike Reed, President  
Tim Vanhorn, Vice President  
Dean Cain, Member

**12-395-** Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Cain to approve the minutes of October 9, 2012.  
**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**\* Pam Montgomery**

Family Nutrition Program—Elaine Lindimore

- A weekly program of Six County Counseling Center with the focus on reading food labels
- Traveled to Malta and Chesterhill to present programs to Morgan County United Ministries (Food Pantry) on making your own oatmeal packets.
- The months' newsletter distributed to Morgan County United Ministries spotlight on creative ways to utilize potatoes in this newsletter they will discover;
  1. Ingredient swaps such as 1 clove of fresh garlic can be swapped for 1/8 teaspoon of garlic powder.
  2. Instant mashed potatoes can be used to chicken soups, breading for meats and what herbs and seasoning pairs well with potatoes.
  3. Tips for preparing—use as a binder in ground meat dishes or top shepherd's pie with mashed potatoes.
  4. Inside nutrition covers ways to reduce fat when preparing potatoes, what type of nutrients and where most of the nutrients are found in potatoes.
- Programs for the remainder of October is set for Malta and Chesterhill sites for Morgan County United Ministries (Food Pantry)
- Two programs are set for Head Start in November one in the Malta site and one at Chesterhill with the focus on the NEW My Plate and how to create a healthy snack and breakfast stations.
- The Six County Counseling Centers weekly program will continue to focus on food label reading.
- Three Programs are set in October and November for Developmental Disability with the focus on the importance of hand washing.

Ag/Community Development/4-H—Amy Grove

- The Master Gardeners are in the process of closing the garden for the season.
- I have been working with the few remaining farmers market vendors on ways to increase the both the number of vendors and the number of customers for the 2013 season or to determine if the market should continue. The vendors there the past two weeks were very disappointed that the Commons had not been mowed.
- I continue on the Chesterhill Produce Auction advisory. The last regularly scheduled auction will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup>.
- I attended the Civic Tourism Conference on October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> in Shawnee. Sponsored by the Humanities Council % Ohio's Hill Country Heritage Area. The conference focused on long-term, sustainable tourism through the enhancement of a community's unique and authentic assets.
- I continue to serve as a county representative to the Buckeye Hills RC&D. We are fortunate to have our council survive the complete elimination of federal funding. The Council continues to operate its revolving loan fund and has money to lend for small business expansion.
- The Muskingum River Advisory Board will meet at the Twin City Opera House at 1:00pm today, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Agriculture and Natural Resources—Chris Penrose

- Worked Shale Energy and Forge booths at the Farm Science Review.
- I resourced two area drought Emergency Management meeting for farmers; one in Zanesville and one in Nelsonville.
- I taught at three oil and Gas programs, one in Malta; I will be a resource person at a regional Shale Energy Workshop on 11/10 in Cambridge, people can call the Extension Office for more information.
- I have three ATV Safety programs for youth scheduled in the next month in the county.
- Finishing up a research project at Eastern Agricultural Research Farm in Belle Valley on forage use and biomass production from sorghum.
- Completed a project in the county as a part of a national effort to monitor stick bugs on vegetables that can devastate fruit and vegetable crops.
- Finishing up a Fact Sheet on Morgan County's Forest Economy.

I. 4-H Update—Pam Montgomery

- a. 4-H Clubs were very creative with their booth displays and themes for 2012. I hope you took some time to visit the Junior Fair Building during the fair.
- b. Junior Fair Board held their wrap up for the 2012 Junior Fair on September 13, 2012 along with the Junior Fair Livestock Sale Committee and the 4-H Horse Committee.
- c. We began working on the 2013 4-H Calendar on October 10<sup>th</sup>.
- d. 2012 Camp Counselor wrap up is scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:30-6:30pm
- e. Junior Leaders worked the second Recycle Day with Amy Grove on Saturday September 15<sup>th</sup>. The following club participating ChipN'Dip, Country Kids, Do-Little's, Hoopole Ridge, Lighthouses, LuckyBucks, Triple Nickel Hikers, Pure Pleasure, Twin City Treasures, Wolf Creek Critters and Wrangler Dudes. The groups collected a total 11,072 pounds an increase of 152 pounds over 2011. The following clubs placed 1<sup>st</sup> Country Kids, 2<sup>nd</sup> DoLittles and 3<sup>rd</sup> Triple Nickel Hikers.
- f. The 4-H Advisory Committee wants to thank all the pie bakers and the buyers for another successful Pie Auction Thursday night of the fair.

II. FCS Update—Pam Montgomery

- i. Co-Parenting for Never Married Co-Parents scheduled for October 29, 2012 from 6:30-8:30pm  
Individuals interested in registering can call the office at 962-4854.

**\*Vicki Quesinberry, Job and Family Services**

**12-396-** Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Cain to approve the following supplemental appropriation in the PCSA Account:

Expenditures: 050-00505303.00 Misc Expenses \$20,373.12

Revenues: 050-0050-4004.00 Admin/Training \$20,373.12

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

-Mandated share for State Fiscal Year 2013 for month of October is \$3,236.50.

**\*Shannon Wells, Development Office**

-Presented an idea to the commissioners to offer a revolving loan grant funds for students to enter a class with a goal that the students would have more skills to seek employment locally. The commissioners had a great deal of controversy on this topic. The commissioners could not decide on the amount of fund to give each student as well as how many classes this offer should be extended to. The proposal is still up for debate.

-Enter Executive at 11:00am pursuant to ORC 121.22 SECTION (G) (1) Employment, Personnel

-Exit Executive at 11:25am pursuant to ORC 121.22 SECTION (G) (1) Employment, Personnel

**\*Gretchen Blazer, Government Office**

- Talked with the commissioners on saving money on their bills. The commissioners stated they were already using DTE.

**12-397-** Motion by Mr. Cain and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to appoint Mike Workman and Shannon Wells to the EODA Board.

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**\*Terry McGrew, Health Department**

- Trying to get a Commercial Plumbing Lease Program started at the Health Department. A new employee will be hired. Terry was concerned if the new hire would receive benefits. The commissioners confirmed the employee's benefits.

**\*Veteran's Service Commission**

-Members of the commission wanted to hold a budget meeting. They are concerned they will have to start laying off or reducing hours to keep the budget in tack. One member from the commission said they hope they don't have to decrease services further. Commissioner Reed stated that insurance rates will be increasing by 61%. He said their will be a meeting held on October 22, 2012 to discuss renewal issues concerning insurance. Mr. Reed encouraged them participate in the meeting.

**\*Linda Sheets, Senior Center**

-submitted bills

**\*Becky Thompson, Dog Warden**

-Submitted dog report

**12-398-** Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Cain to approve the following transfer:

<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>	<b>AMOUNT:</b>
Salaries 001-0301-5102.00	Insurance 001-1401-5365-01	\$700.00

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**12-399-** Motion by Mr. Cain and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn allow American Electric Power permission from the Morgan County Commissioners span over County Road 4, located in Township of Homer, Section No. 5, Morgan County Ohio.

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**12-400-** Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Cain to approve the following transfers:

<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>	<b>AMOUNT:</b>
Legal Counsel 001-0101-5311-.00	C.H Maintenance 001-0402-5306.00	\$3580.48
Unemployment 001-0101-5369-.01	C.H Maintenance 001-0402-5306.00	\$1125.00
Worker's Comp. 001-0101-5369-.01	C.H Maintenance 001-0402-5306.00	\$1050.33
		Total: 5755.81

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**12-401-** Motion by Mr. Cain and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to approve the following transfers:

<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>	<b>AMOUNT:</b>
Secure Detention 023-2012-5302.00	Salary Prog. Admin. 023-2012-5102-.00	\$100.00
Secure Detention 023-2012-5302.00	Salary Prob. 023-2012-5102-02	\$159.98
Secure Detention 023-2012-5302.00	Insurance 023-2012-5365.00	\$1031.01
Secure Detention 023-2012-5302.00	PERS Comm. Service 023-2012-5367-01	\$207.23
Secure Detention 023-2012-5302.00	PERS Prob. 023-2012-5367.02	\$625.91
Secure Detention 023-2012-5302.00	Medicare Prob. 023-2012-5368.02	\$2.32
		Total: \$2126.45

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**12-402-** Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and second by Mr. Cain to approve the following transfer:

<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>	<b>AMOUNT:</b>
Mandated Share 001-0905-5375.00	C.H Maintenance 001-0402-5306-00	\$6692.52

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**12-403-** Motion by Mr. Cain and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to adjourn the Commissioners Meeting at 4:00pm.

**Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Cain yea Motion Carried**

**Commissioners,**

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**Mike Reed, President**

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**Tim VanHorn, Vice President**

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**Dean Cain, Member**

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**Sheila Welch, Clerk**