

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of the Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Monday, April 1, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.  
The minutes of March 25, 2013 were read and approved.

Tim Vanhorn, President  
Mike Reed, Vice President  
Adam Shriver, Member

**13-106-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the minutes from March 25, 2013.

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

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

-Vicki Quesinberry to Cambridge, Ohio on April 2, 2013 for Canton Director's Meeting.  
-Still waiting on decision from State of reduction to Workforce budget.

***Becky Thompson, Dog Warden-***

-submitted report

**13-107-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed for County Department to have 90% accountability for worker's comp increases

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

**13-108-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to support efforts to maintain the tax exempt status of municipal bonds.

COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION

Approved this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of April, 2013 by

Morgan County, Ohio

SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN THE TAX-EXEMPT  
STATUS OF MUNICIPAL BONDS

WHEREAS, the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds is nearly a century old and is vital to funding local infrastructure and economic development, and

WHEREAS, of the \$1.65 trillion of local infrastructure investment over the last decade using tax-exempt bonds, nearly all of it was in six categories: \$514 billion for primary and secondary schools; \$288 billion for hospitals; \$258 billion for water and sewer facilities; \$178 billion for roads, highways and streets; \$147 billion for public power projects; and \$106 billion for mass transit.

WHEREAS, any move to change the current tax treatment of local government bonds would lead to higher borrowing costs for local governments; and

WHEREAS, without tax-exempt financing much needed infrastructure improvements would likely be delayed; and

WHEREAS, tax-exempt bonds are a critical tool for Ohio counties to facilitate budgeting and financing of long-term investments in the infrastructure and facilities necessary to meet public demand for government services; and,

WHEREAS, at a time when infrastructure demands are great, increasing the cost of local government borrowing could have serious impacts on the national, state and local economics; and

WHEREAS, without the tax-exemption, the effectiveness of the bond market would be significantly dampened, creating higher borrowing costs for county governments, less investment in infrastructure, and fewer jobs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Morgan County does hereby support maintaining the current tax-exempt status of municipal bonds.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Shriver, yea Motion Carried**

***Shannon Wells, Development Office-***

**13-109-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to accept the Hazard Mitigation Plan for the year 2013.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Shriver, yea Motion Carried**

- Ms. Wells reported on her visit to Burr Oak Lodge. She has concerns with the up keeping of Lodge. The commissioners noted that the situation will be looked into further.  
-Submitted bills

***Dennis Lowe & Tracie Baker***

<b>BID OPENINGS FOR DEMOLITION PROJECT</b>	
<b><u>Bidders Name</u></b>	<b><u>Demolition Bid</u></b>
King's Future Builders	\$153,000
Raz's International	\$97,800
M&M Excavating	\$105,100

**13-110-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to table all bids.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Shriver, yea Motion Carried**

**13-111-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed award Chesterhill Fire Department 2013 Polaris 6x6 vehicle for \$12,755.80 to Don Wood in Athens and Finley Fire Equipment in the amount of \$744.20 for fire conversion.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Shriver, yea Motion Carried**

**13-112-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to request a supplemental appropriation of \$28,362.89 from the Gas and Motor Vehicle Fund.

Please place the amounts in the following accounts:

\$6123.25	Labors Account	004-0004-102.01
\$21,073.02	Large Equipment Account	004-0004-316.00
\$755.93	Material Account	004-0004-330.00
\$410.69	Office Salary	004-0004-102.00

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

**13-113-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to adjourn commissioners meeting at 4:00pm.

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

**Commissioners,**

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**Tim Vanhorn, President**

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**Mike Reed, Vice President**

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**Adam Shriver, Member**

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**Sheila Welch, Clerk**