

## **MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices on Tuesday, March 24, 2014.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.  
The minutes of March 17, 2014 were read and approved.

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

**14-103-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to approve the minutes of March 17, 2014.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea, Motion Carried**

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

**14-104-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to enter into executive session at 9:30am pursuant to ORC 121.22 section (G)(1) Employment, Personnel.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea, Motion Carried**

**14-105-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to exit executive session at 9:35am pursuant to ORC 121.22 section (G)(1) Employment, Personnel.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea, Motion Carried**

\*Commissioner Vanhorn welcomed Mark Faulhaber and Gabe Hartl of the Morgan County Herald. He said the commissioners wanted to discuss the article that appeared in last week's Herald about the commissioners enacting the license fee. Commissioners Vanhorn and Shriver spoke about how the fee will affect issue I money and how issue I Points System works. With the fee Morgan County will get 10 additional points for county projects. With the competitiveness of Southeastern Regional Projects lack of the points has cost Morgan County over one point six million dollars in project monies. Commissioner Reed commented that the Commissioners wanted the resolution to be unanimous and that he was not in favor of the increase unless the money generated went into a special fund to be used for the Memorial Bridge. It has been estimated that anything done to the bridge will cost at minimum one million dollars. Whether we paint the bridge or tear it down, that is a million dollars we do not have. The county still owes 1.6 million on the Riecker Building and trying to come up with another one million could be impossible. However with this license fee the county could generate between 60 and 70 thousand dollars a year. Commissioner Vanhorn added that some of the money will go to townships and villages to help their budgets. Commissioner Shriver asked what would be the best way to communicate with the Herald...send a news release or a copy of Monday's Agenda to make sure we keep an open line of communication. The commissioners want to ensure the public is informed about the issues the county faces.

### *Shannon Wells, Development Office*

- Mrs. Wells and the commissioners held a public meeting concerning CDBG. Mrs. Wells gave an update on different grants she has been applying for and how the state has been reacting. More grants have been awarded than have not been awarded. It all seems to be about timing and relationship building.
- Discussed how good projects can be made from the limited funding that is currently available.
- Mrs. Wells also spoke with the commissioners in great length on whether or not the commissioners should subordinate a particular loan that was brought to her.

**14-106-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to accept a quote from OP Aquatics in the amount of \$10,112.02 for a diving board and stand as recommended by the village council.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea, Motion Carried**

**14-107-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve Dwayne King's estimate in the amount of \$9,217.46 for the project of the roof at the fairgrounds as recommended by Morgan County Agricultural Society.  
**Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea, Motion Carried**

**14-108-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer the following line items:

\$800.00 from line item 001-0207-5102.00 (salary) to line item 001-0207-5304.00 (Equipment).

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

**14-109-** Motion by Mr. Shriver to approve the following transfers:

transfer \$25,000 from the 113-0113-5307-00 travel line item into the 113-0113-5310-00 debit payment line item.

transfer \$8,000 from the 113-0113-5102-01 driver salary line item into the 113-0113-5309-00 miscellaneous expense line item.

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

***Linda Sheets, Senior Center***

-Submitted bills

***Becky Thompson, Dog Warden***

- submitted dog report

***Kim Reed Jodi Woodward, Flood Grant***

Discussed the NEG and spoke about the progress of the flood grant. An inventory must be done of all tools including vehicles. If the number come under \$5,000, we are allowed to donate items to other government entities. The number is expected to be under \$5,000.

***Tim Lopra, Independent Auditor***

The scoring and bidding process was explained in detail. Mr. Lopra has been doing this kind of work since 1992. The estimated time frame is 30 days after filing for the audit. The bill is a flat fee and is not billed until the audit is completed.

***Steve Hook, Engineer***

**14-110-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the following:

**Urging Ohio Voters to Support Issue 1, Renewal of the  
State Capital Improvements Program, on the May 6, 2014 ballot**

**WHEREAS,** Ohio local communities are in continuing need of support for vital road, bridge, sewer, water and other infrastructure projects, and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio has a place in a state program of support for local communities which not only helps to infrastructure projects, but also creates large numbers of construction and allied jobs, and

**WHEREAS,** the Ohio State Capital Improvements Program has successfully provided support for more than 11,500 such projects and resulting job creation since its inception in 1987, and

**WHEREAS,** Issue 1 on the May 6, 2014 statewide ballot provides Ohio voters with the opportunity to renew the program by authorizing issuance of \$1.875 billion in capital improvement bonds, and

**WHEREAS,** no new taxes are required to fund repayment of the bonds;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name or Body of Organization)

declares its support for state Issue 1, and urges Ohio voters to cast their votes in support of continuing the infrastructure improvement and job creation Issue 1 will foster.

**ATTEST:**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. Nr. \_\_\_\_\_

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

**14-111-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed approve Casey Fritz permission from the Morgan County Commissioners to bore under County Road 54, located in the Township of York, Section No.33 Morgan County Ohio.

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

**14-112-** Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to adjourn the commissioners meeting at 4:00pm

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

**Tim Vanhorn, President**

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**Adam Shriver, Vice-President**

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**Mike Reed, Member**

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**Sheila Welch, Clerk**

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