

MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RIECKER BUILDING

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices Monday, February 17, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
The minutes of February 9, 2015 were read and approved.

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

15-084- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the minutes of February 9, 2015.
Mr. Vanhorn yea, Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea, Motion Carried

Mark Howdysell, Prosecutor

-Spoke about getting together for another Records Retention Meeting to possibly destroy home health records.

*The commissioners conducted interviews for the new IT position.

Gary Woodward, Steve Hook and commissioners

-Discussed pay scale of the new IT position

Vicki Quesinberry, Job and Family Services

-Submitted bills

Pam Montgomery, OSU Extension

Agriculture and Natural Resources

Chris Penrose

- OSU Extension, Morgan County co-hosted the Morgan County Farm Bill meeting with the Farm Service Agency, Morgan Soil and Water Conservation Service and Natural Resource Conservation Service.
- OSU Extension, Morgan County is a host sight for the Ohio Beef School. Two programs have been presented so far, January 27th and February 10th and the final session is scheduled for February 24th.
- Provided a Shale Energy update to M&M Rotary.
- Provided a pesticide recertification for Morgan County producers on February 9th and have assisted in Meigs, Perry, Muskingum and Washington counties.
- Published an AG newsletter, weekly press releases for the *Morgan County Herald*, co-author on *Social and Environmental Impacts of Natural Gas Pipelines* (Ohio State University Technical Report), co-authored a paper (*Sorghum Sudangrass for Feed and Fuel*) for the American Forage and Grassland Council and submitted and article for the *Progressive Cattleman's Magazine*.

Amy Grove

- Master Gardener's meet this month to plan their programs and trainings for 2015.
- She will be attending the 2015 Farm-to-School Conference on March 5th and has invited local school personnel to attend also to learn more about adding local produce to school meals.

Community Development
Amy Grove

- Convention & Visitors Bureau: annual meeting scheduled for February 26th in the Riecker Building All commissioners are invited to attend. New Visitors Guide will be released at the meeting.

Family and Consumer Sciences

- The next Successful Co Parenting in Scheduled for February 19th from 6:30-9:00pm. Individuals can call the Extension Office at 740-962-4854 to register for the class.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program Education Report - SNAP Ed -- Amy Kirkbride

- Programs scheduled with Kate Love Simpson Library preschool story time, Morgan Metro Housing, West Elementary, Play and Learn and Six County

4-H Youth Development

- Camp Counselors had their first training of the year on February 11th
- Junior Leaders worked with 4-H volunteers to man 4-H information tables at parent/teacher conferences at the elementary schools at Morgan Junior High as part of the annual 4-H promotion activities.
- Amy Grove is going to work with Junior Leaders to do some additional school promotion activities in grades K-2.
- A number of individuals have picked up a new volunteer packets and 3 individuals attended an orientation/training program and two plan on completing the training in June so they can become volunteers for the 4-H Riding Therapy Program. It is too late to complete the process to be a 4-H Club Volunteer for 2015 but individuals could complete the process early by attending the training in June with individuals interested in 4-H Riding Therapy and 4-H Shooting Sports and be ready to go for the 2016 4-H Year.
- The Junior Fair Board second meeting of the year 2/17/15. (Cancelled)
- 4-H Advisory Committee reorganized for 2015 on January 26th.
- Older Youth in Training is underway for 2015 membership reminds low so 4-H members 13 years old (no older) as of January 1, 2015 are invited to attend the next meeting scheduled for March 10th from 6:30-8:00pm. That is the last opportunity to become a part of the program.

Shannon Wells, Development Office

- Submitted bills
- Metal Axis success story in the making
- On the 26th of February there will be a CBBG meeting
- Spoke about transit concerning the running of operations
- Discussed improving the Development Office to a more private area called The Riecker Conference Center

Dayle Silvis, Concerned Citizen

- Inquired about employment

Steve Hook, Engineer

- Reported on his finding from the elected officials concerning the potential IT hire

Gary Woodward, Auditor

Went over the expenses for the past year dealing with computers to figure out how to fund the new potential IT hire

Wendy Gorrell, MCDD

-The commissioners discussed with Mrs. Gorrell the aspect of combining forces to share the potential IT hire's talents.

Linda Sheets, Senior Citizens

-Submitted bills

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

-Submitted Report

15-085- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to transfer funds \$3,000.00 appropriated to Soil Conservation for 2015 and we would like to have the entire amount transferred at this time.

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

15-086- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

15-087- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to convene the commissioners meeting at Friday at 9:00am.

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

15-088- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to re-convene the commissioners meeting on Friday, February 20, 2015 at 9:00.

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

*The commissioners conducted 2nd interviews for the final two candidates for the IT position.

15-089- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to adjourn the commissioners meeting Friday, February 20, 2015 at 11:10am.

Tim Vanhorn, President

Adam Shriver, Vice-President

Mike Reed, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk
