

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices Monday, March 6, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
The minutes of February 27, 2017 were read and approved.

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

17-112- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017.
Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Vanhorn yea Motion Carried

Heidi Burns, Job and Family Services

-Submitted bills

Rob Reiter, Southeastern Solid Waste

-The commissioners asked Mr. Reiter if he had applied for the tire collection grant for 2017. Mr. Reiter assured the commissioners the grant has already been applied for and the tire collection is looking to be scheduled sometime after July 1, 2017.

-Discussed potentially moving the recycling trailers if MCCDD building is sold another entity. For residents, tire collection will be free of charge. For businesses, there will be a fee.

-Discussed a potential litter program that would be funded through ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation). The commissioners are very much in favor of this program. This program would include inmates or individuals that need to work off community time. They will meet with Sheriff McGrath and Prosecutor Howdyshell to begin the process without assistance from Joint Solid Waste.

Shannon Wells, Development Office

-Mrs. Wells discussed a plan to move forward with the litter program.

-Discussed enterprise zone meetings that need to be completed by the end of March 2017.

-Discussed public meeting concerning the proposed roundabouts in Malta and McConnelsville. Also a discussion about downtown revitalization grant for 2017-2018.

17-113- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to approve the following:

Keeping America's Promise to Our Retired Coal Miners and Widows

Whereas, in 1946, faced with the prospect of a long strike that could hamper post-war economic recovery, President Harry Truman issued an Executive Order directing the Secretary of the Interior to take possession of all bituminous coal miners in the United States and to Negotiate with the United Mine Workers of America "appropriate changes in the terms and conditions of employment; and

Whereas, after a week of negotiations, the historic Krug-Lewis Agreement was announced and signed in the White House with Truman as a Witness; and

Whereas, the Agreement created a welfare and retirement fund that guaranteed lifetime payments to miners and their dependents and survivors in cases of sickness , permanent disability, death or retirement; and

Whereas, the Agreement also created a separate medical and hospital fund; and

Whereas, in 1947, the government returned control of the mines back to their owners and a new collective bargaining agreement was reached with the companies that guaranteed retirement benefits miners and their dependents and survivors for life; and

Whereas, for the next 70 years miners bargained for money to be dedicated to their health care and retirement, because they knew when they retired they would be sicker than the average senior citizen, with more nagging injuries than a greater risk of black lung or some other cardio-pulmonary disease; and

Whereas, the federal government has repeatedly confirmed its role in guaranteeing retirement benefits for coal miners; and

Whereas, in 1992 Congress passed and President George H. W. Bush signed into law the Coal Act, which established an industry-funded mechanism for paying for the health care for retirees whose companies had gone out of business; and

Whereas, in 2006, Congress and President George W. Bush amended the Coal Act to expand the financial resources available to the Fund; and

Whereas, a depression resigns in America's coalfields today, with tens of thousands of jobs eliminated; and

Whereas, multiple companies have filed for bankruptcy, and received approval from bankruptcy courts to shed their retiree obligations, leaving more than 26,000 retirees confronting the loss of their health care benefits; and

Whereas, the many other multiemployer pension funds, the UMWA 1974 Pension Fund lost a significant portion of its value in the 2008-09 recession and due to the devastation of the coal industry will not receive enough contributions from the employers to make up the shortfall, leading the Fund to likely become insolvent by 2022; and

Whereas, on December 9, 2016 Congress passed a Continuing Resolution (C.R.) to continue funding for federal programs and services until April 28, 2017, including a provision providing \$45 million for continued health care benefits for these retirees and their families until April 30, 2017; and

Whereas, Senators Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) have introduced legislation , S.175, the Minors Protection Act, co-sponsored by Senator Rob Portman (R-OH). Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH) and other Republican and Democrats that would amend the Coal Act to allow retirees from recently bankrupt companies to get health coverage from the UMWA Health and Retirement Funds and would repurpose the balance of an existing appropriation to provide funding to shore up the Pension Plan; and

Whereas, Rep. David McKinley (R-WV) has introduced the Miners Protection Act in the House as H.R 179, co-sponsored by both Republicans and Democrats; and

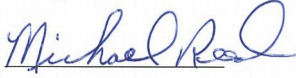
Whereas, America's coal miners have sacrificed much for our nation, with more than 105,000 killed on the job in the last century and more than 100,000 having died from coal workers' pneumoconiosis or Black Lung; and

Whereas, knowing those risks, miners have continued to go to work every day to provide for their families, build a secure future for themselves and produce the fuel that has allowed America to become the most powerful nation on earth;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that America has an obligation to our retired coal miners for the sacrifices they have made for our nation; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Morgan County Commissioners urges the United States Congress to pass the Miners Protection Plan Act as soon as possible and provide the full measure of benefits these retirees were promised and have earned.

Sincerely,



Mike Reed, President



Adam Shriver, Vice President



Tim Vanhorn Member

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

John Wilt, EMA

- Continuing Review and Revision of County EOP continues.
- Visited radio tower sites on SR 607 with Dave Bailey to inspect prior to State visit.
- Checked out radio equipment at Sheriff's Office for State visit.
- Hosted law enforcement training class for Sheriff Office and McConnelsville Police department on Tuesday, 2/28.
- Went into monitoring mode for severe weather/flooding beginning evening of 2/28. Utilized Facebook and Code Red to keep citizens updated as to warning and other issues.
- On 3/1 the Sheriff and I discussed road closures due to flooding and I posted information on Facebook regarding same. I received a call from State Watch Office regarding possible issue with Tom Jenkins Dam at Burr Oak. I contacted the Army Corp and was advised that the level was rising, but was not at a critical level and was not expected to be a problem. The dam is actually in Athens County and it is on Hocking River. Our biggest issue from this would be areal flooding of roads in the area.
- Monitoring visit with State went better than I thought it would. I will receive a follow-up letter in 30 days notifying me of the results. There are several areas that need addressed: Written County Procurement policy, Written Employee Reimbursement Policy, Written County Records Retention Policy, Meeting/Conference & Training procedures and polices, ID stickers are required on all equipment purchased with Homeland Security money, Inventory of all equipment purchased with Homeland Security money, of all equipment purchased with Homeland Security must be performed every two years-we are definitely due. I am going to send requests to all agencies that have received HS funded equipment and have them report on status on their equipment.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

Terry Sunday, Concerned Citizen

-Wanted to check the progress on recovering his lost records in Common Pleas Court. The commissioners communicated to Mr. Sunday that Mr. Babcock (County IT Administrator) has located the records and Common Pleas Court are getting them organized and ready to pick up.

Krysti Morrow, Vicki Hickerson, Chani Hopkins Soil & Water

-Introduced a new employee to assist the office with paperwork.

-Noted they would appreciate a letter of support for a grant proposal they would like to apply for.

Brief Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) Proposal Summary

Morgan, Guernsey, Muskingum and Noble Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) tackling 1,200-2,400 acres of Spotted Knapweed and other invasive species. We will be applying for just under \$500,000 cost share assistance for the project to be allocated in all four counties. Partners of the project will assist with financial and in-kind contributions. Other partners each district is reaching out to their counties include Farm Bureau, OSU Extension, Cattleman's, Engineer's, Township Associations, Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), American Electric Power (AEP) ReCreation Land, and many others.

Morgan SWCD will plan educational field days and mailings, newsletter and newspaper articles, fair booth displays and various other outreach for the project. All will be counted as in-kind contribution for the project, the SWCD will receive no administrative money.

Morgan SWCD would like to purchase a 3 point hitch sprayer, RTV and sprayer with a wand and broom for the use of the project. Many producers in Morgan County who have spotted knapweed don't have a sprayer large enough to be efficient while they take care of the problem. These pieces of equipment would be available to producers in the program for free-what would be a typical rent would be counted as in-kind from the district toward the project-and then rented like other district equipment when the program is over.

Bids will be put out to numerous companies for RTV and Sprayers (with and without booms). A backpack sprayer is economically feasible for most producers and is not our highest priority but would be used through the program.

Morgan SWCD Price Estimates for Equipment

RTV, Sprayer, and Boom	\$13,000
3 Point Hitch Sprayer with Boom	\$ 3,000
Backpack Sprayer	\$ 80.00

OFFICE UPDATE:

***The SWCD Office has been assisting NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) with EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program) projects and paperwork.**

(2017 Total EQIP Dollars in Morgan County \$1,223,367.00. With \$578,223 in Conservation Enhancement in Morgan County.)

***Fish Sale is going on now!** This is a great opportunity for Morgan County landowners to improve their ponds, by purchasing fish for clearing unwanted vegetation and to improve future fishing endeavors.

Tree Sale is going on now! Thousands of trees are growing in Morgan County due the SWCD Tree seedling sale!!! This year there is a variety of 20 trees available for purchase. This is a great opportunity to purchase trees for windbreaks, prevent erosion, add protection for wildlife and beautify the surroundings. Customer can order in quantities of 5, 25 or 100.

***Youth Education!** Our spring field days are scheduled and we are working hard to provide the students of Morgan County with hands on conservation education and teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources.

4th GRADE FIELD DAY-at the Morgan County Fairgrounds-Tuesday, May 9th 10:00 to 1:00

This field day gives the 4th graders of Morgan County an opportunity to learn the importance of farming in our area. We will have farm animals both big and small on hand for each age group.

17-114- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve the following:

Resolution of Support for the Application Regional Commission (ARC)

Whereas, Morgan County is served by the Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District (BH-HVRDD) as its Local Development District for the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC);

Whereas, the ARC is a model for federal economic programs and has assisted the Buckeye Hills region to improve the social and economic climate and improve critical infrastructure;


Whereas, the ARC provides funding for business development, education and job training, telecommunications, infrastructure, community development, housing, and systems; increasing workforce readiness; expanding access to health care; assisting local communities with strategic planning; and providing technical and managerial assistance to emerging businesses;


Whereas, without the ARC and its ability to consider a county or community's current assets and ability to "match" funding, many projects would go unfunded because counties simply do not have local funds to complete the projects; and

Whereas, in 2016, Ohio's LDDs administered 50 projects totaling \$61,653,671 in total project costs and resulting in 748 new jobs and another 1,782 jobs retained in the region with funding provided by the Appalachian Regional Commission and Ohio Development Services Agency Appalachian Assistance Fund.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County hereby supports funding the Appalachian Regional Commission at a minimum of \$146 million (the Federal FY2016 level) in both Federal FY'2017 and FY'2018, and supports Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District as its ARC Local Development District.

Morgan County Commissioners


Mike Reed, President


Adam Shriver


Tim VanHorn

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

17-115- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the following:

Whereas, Morgan County is served by the Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District (BH-HVRDD) as its Local Development District for the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC);

Whereas, the ARC is the model for federal economic development programs and had assisted the Buckeye Hills region to improve the social and economic climate and improve critical infrastructure;

Whereas, the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) Appalachian Assistance Fund provides much needed economic development project funding in the region and also assists communities to improve the social and economic climate and improve critical infrastructure;

Whereas, Ohio is the ONLY state in the 13-state ARC region that matches federal project funding with state funding to ensure the monies go even farther toward serving the region;

Whereas, the ODSA Appalachian Assistance Fund provide funding for business development, education, and job training, telecommunications, infrastructure, community development, housing, and transportation projects creating new jobs; improvements to local water and sewer systems; increasing workforce readiness; expanding access to health care; assisting local communities with strategic planning; and providing technical and managerial assistance to emerging businesses;

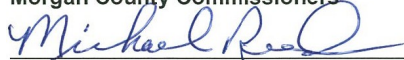
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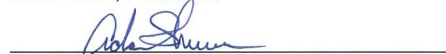
Whereas, in 2016, Ohio LDDs administered 50 ARC and ODSA Appalachian Assistance Fund Projects totaling over \$61,653,671 in total project costs and resulting in 748 new jobs and another 1,782 jobs retained in the region with funding provided from these sources.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County hereby supports Governor John Kasich's State Biennium Budget request to continue funding of the ODSA Appalachian Assistance Fund Line Item as follows:

Line Item #	Name	Actual	Estimated	Recommended	
		FY2016	FY2017	FY1018	FY2019
GRF 195455	Appalachian Asst.	\$5,748,749	\$5,748,749	\$5,748,749	\$5,748,749

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Tim VanHorn

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

17-116- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve the following:

Resolution of Support for the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Whereas, Morgan County is served by the Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District (BH-HVRDD) as its Economic Development District for the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA);

Whereas, EDA's investments in planning, technical assistance, infrastructure and capacity building support business start-up and expansion to enable towns and cities all across the county to build strong , durable and resilient local economies that produce good wages for American workers;

Whereas, instead of Washington-knows-best approach, EDA works hand-in-hand with local economic development partners to advance their locally-developed projects which are linked to the region's longer-term, sustainable economic development strategy;


Whereas, from grants that help build rail lines, improve wastewater treatment facilities, or construct business incubators and roads, EDA invests in the critical infrastructure needed by businesses to locate to expand the U.S. generating thousands of middle-class jobs in areas of the country that needed them the most;

Whereas, EDA also makes strategic investments that equip American workers with the skills new or expanding businesses need to be successful;


Whereas, through its network of regionally-based staff and a portfolio of flexible investment mechanisms, EDA helps hundreds of communities, especially those suffering economic distress, take control of their future.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County hereby supports funding the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration at a minimum of \$261 million (the Federal FY 2016 level) in both Federal FY2017 and FY 2018, and supports the Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Regional Development District as its EDA Economic Development District.

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Mike Reed, President



Adam Shriver



Tim VanHorn

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



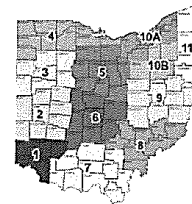
Bottom Up, Not Top Down Ohio's Area Agencies on Aging

Ohio's Area Agencies on Aging are the perfect "bottom up, not top down" strategy for holistically and cost-effectively addressing the needs of Ohio's older adults in their communities.

Since the 1970s, the Area Agencies on Aging were established as the "on the ground" organizations charged with helping vulnerable older adults live with independence and dignity in their homes and communities.

Local Solutions:

Area Agencies on Aging ensure that community needs are taken into consideration and that the resulting delivery system is tailored to the community.

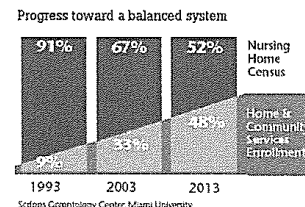


- AAAs are embedded in our communities and are able to leverage many different resources to provide a holistic approach – PASSPORT is one of the key resources integrated into the AAAs delivery system.
- Ohio is not one size fits all. Urban, rural and suburban areas all have different issues. AAAs are nimble and able to meet the needs of our individual communities. Rural areas have special challenges that haven't responded well to HMOs in the past. Community ties are strong. AAAs are in the community and expertly manage local community networks and resources to ensure that older Ohioans have access to home and community based services, especially in rural areas with small provider networks and more limited resources.
- As times change, the AAAs change, too. The AAA network is involved a number of innovative approaches to meeting the needs of the community, such as working with local health systems to explore new models for improving health care outcomes and exploring value-based payments.
- AAAs' commitment to local communities includes investments in local office buildings and other improvements, and employment of over 2000 people.

What Works:

The AAAs have been managing PASSPORT for over 30 years, and have been the driving force to moving the needle from mostly nursing home care to empowering people to age with dignity in their homes.

- From 1995 to 2011, as a result of PASSPORT, well before managed care was introduced, the use of Medicaid-funded nursing homes by Ohioans age 60 and older dropped by 14.5% despite a 15% increase in the aging population. The rate of people receiving nursing facility care compared to in home care decreased from more than 90% in 1992 to 52% in 2013.





- Older Ohioans overwhelmingly have praised the PASSPORT program. Customer satisfaction consistently rates PASSPORT at 95% or higher.
- Area Agencies on Aging keep general administrative costs down to the bare minimum, averaging at 2-3% of their PASSPORT budgets.
- When faced with a state budget crisis, Area Agencies on Aging were effective in lowering PASSPORT care plan costs without harm to consumers.

Former Medicaid Director John McCarthy has said publicly at state and national events that **including Ohio's Area Agencies on Aging in the MyCare Ohio demonstration program was one of the best decisions he has made.**

PASSPORT is Already Well-Coordinated Care

- State policy decisions should be made based on evidence that the policy changes will improve the lives of Ohioans, not just fiscal expediency or administrative convenience.
- Moving long term services and supports into managed care "to extend the benefits of care coordination" to all remaining populations ignores the fact that PASSPORT services are already well-coordinated by the Area Agencies on Aging.
- From the Office of Health Transformation: The combined impact of implementing MLTSS and timing changes in the Medicaid managed care program will have *no impact on state funds*.
- Long term services and supports such as home care services are not health care services. Care coordination in Medicaid managed long term services and supports means coordinating long term services and supports, for the majority of individuals it does not mean coordinating health care.

What we know (and don't know):

- MyCare Ohio is in year 3 of a 5 year experiment in managed care for long term services and supports with coordination of health care through Medicare, in 29 counties in Ohio.
- The learning curve for managed care has been very steep in MyCare Ohio and the resulting upheaval for consumers has not been easy. Provider payments, access to services, transportation, delays in prior authorization, enrollment and assignment, and system issues are all issues that have risen to the surface.
- We do not yet know whether MyCare Ohio is a better way to provide long term services and supports for older Ohioans. There is no evaluation that is measuring the impact on consumers or costs, compared to PASSPORT.
- MyCare Ohio managed care plans' have a target Medical Loss Ratio of 85%, which requires them to spend that much on medical care and care management; which means the remaining 15% is for other expenditures, such as administration.



Advocacy Action Answers on Aging

Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging

Say NO to Proposed Expansion of MLTSS in Ohio

MLTSS won't save money, and we don't have evidence that such a move is good for older Ohioans and good for the state budget.

What is the MLTSS Proposal?

- In January 2017, the Governor's Office of Health Transformation released policy documents outlining the Administration's Medicaid priorities for the next biennium, including expanding managed long term services and supports statewide.
- MLTSS only currently exists in Ohio within a federally defined demonstration program in 29 mostly urban counties (MyCare Ohio), which integrates Medicare and Medicaid.
- The Governor's Office of Health Transformation is proposing to create a new MLTSS program for all 88 counties, many of which are rural or Appalachian.
- The new MLTSS program would shift responsibilities for PASSPORT, the Assisted Living waiver, PACE, Medicaid Buy-In for Individuals with Disabilities, and nursing facility care to managed care insurance companies.
- Consumers in those programs would be required to receive their daily and weekly in-home services from the managed care insurance companies.
- The proposal is expected to be implemented by July 2018 after approval from CMS and seeking requests for proposals for three managed care plans statewide.
- The proposal excludes Medicaid waivers for those who have developmental disabilities. Those individuals may choose to participate voluntarily.

What is MyCare Ohio?

- In year 3 of 5-year demonstration to integrate Medicaid (long-term care) and Medicare (health care) for people dually eligible into managed care
- Serving 100,000+ Ohioans age 18 and over, in 29 mostly urban counties
- Includes people who were on the PASSPORT and Assisted Living waivers, Ohio Home Care waivers and in nursing homes
- 5 managed care plans in 7 regions
- Managed care plans contracted with Area Agencies on Aging to provide "waiver service coordination," and in some cases, full case management functions. These roles are different, and in most cases much more limited than their role in the PASSPORT program but provide continuity and access to local community based services.
- **What we know (and don't know):** The learning curve for managed care has been very steep in MyCare Ohio and the resulting upheaval for consumers and small businesses has not been easy. Provider payments, access to services, transportation, delays in prior authorization, enrollment and assignment, and system issues are all issues that have risen to the surface.

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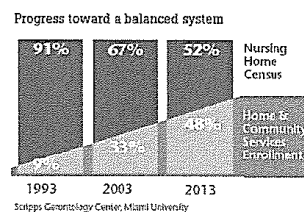
The Role of Area Agencies on Aging

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- The AAA network is involved a number of innovative approaches to meeting the needs of the community, such as working with local health systems to explore new models for improving health care outcomes and exploring value-based payments and mobility management.
- AAAs' commitment to local communities includes investments in local office buildings and other improvements, and employment of over 2000 people. Removing PASSPORT would devastate these agencies and remove the local connection.

What Works: The AAAs have been managing PASSPORT for over 30 years, and have been the driving force to moving the needle from mostly nursing home care to empowering people to age with dignity in their homes.

- From 1995 to 2011, as a result of PASSPORT, well before managed care was introduced, the use of Medicaid-funded nursing homes by Ohioans age 60 and older dropped by 14.5% despite a 15% increase in the aging population. The rate of people receiving nursing facility care compared to in home care decreased from more than 90% in 1992 to 52% in 2013.
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*The Morgan County Commissioners are applying to the Ohio Department of Transportation for the capital assistance discretionary grant 5339b under 49 U.S.C., Section 5311, of the Federal Transit Laws, as codified, and Ohio Public Transportation Grant Program.

The capital grant will provide financial assistance for the purchase of two modified minivans for the Morgan County Public Transit system during CY2017.

17-117- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to enter executive session at 2:45pm with Sheriff McGrath pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(6) contract negotiations .

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

17-118- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to exit executive session at 3:30pm with Sheriff McGrath pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(6) contract negotiations .

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

-Discussed getting Sheriff McGrath involved in helping to get the litter program up and running. The commissioners are going to apply for a grant through ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation).

Jeff Babcock, Network Administrator

The IT Director continued to transition the offices in the Riecker Building over to the new Internet connection and onto a more secure firewall setup at the same time. With most of the smaller networks and “one-off” users having been moved over, the only offices remaining are the ones that require coordination with an outside company or are too busy to be taken offline for up to 30 minutes. While moving the various offices over to the new Internet connection, the IT Director is also using this time to clean up the wiring in the network operations center (NOC) and the wiring closets throughout the Riecker Building.

The Spectrum wireless hotspot was moved from the network operations center, where it was not doing any good, to the foyer of the Riecker Building, just outside the community room. While it would be a security issue to give out Wifi access point passwords to non-employees, the Spectrum hotspot is different. Anyone that is a Spectrum Internet customer can use the hotspot free of charge. While it is not free Wifi for all customers of the Riecker Building, it is a step in the right direction.

The IT Director drafted a general fire evacuation plan for the Riecker Building for inclusion in any policy related documents that require a written fire evacuation plan.

With regards to the water leaking into the basement, the Commissioners thought that maybe it was leaking where the new building connected to the old building.

TRANSFERS, THEN & NOWS AND SUPPLEMENTAL APROPRIATIONS

17-119- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to request the transfer of funds to their account. Our records show a total of \$3000.00 appropriated to Soil and Water Conservation for 2017 and we would like to have the entire amount transferred at this time

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

17-120- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to establish line items for Salary, PERS, Medicare and Workman's Comp in the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Officer Training 033 account.

\$3,700.00 Salary

\$ 675.00 PERS

\$ 125.00 Medicare

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

17-121- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

17-122- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Reed to adjourn the commissioners meeting at 4:00pm

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

Mike Reed, President

Adam Shriver, Vice-President

Tim Vanhorn , Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk
