

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices Monday, December 10, 2018.
The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

18-455- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the minutes of December 3, 2018.
Mr. Reed yea Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Vanhorn yea Motion Carried

-Commissioner Elect-Tom Bragg sat in on the Commissioner meeting from 8:00am-4:00pm.

Heidi Burns, Job & Family Services

-Submitted bills

-The mandated share for the State Fiscal Year 2019 is \$41,864.00. The present bill is for \$3,488.67.

Bert Tooms, Ohio Department of Transportation

-Discussed monitoring and ticketing dumping at the landfill. The 266 project as well as many others have been completed. The Morgan County C.R. 35 bridge should be completed July 31, 2019. A slip project

at Burroak for repair will be awarded in June. St. Rt.. 60 N. from Marietta Hill to County Line to be done in 2019.

John Wilt, EMA

- Continuing to work on inventory of grant purchases.
 - Working on purging old files, per advice from Monitoring visit.
 - Continue working with townships on Public Assistance grants
 - Received approved supplemental amendment for FY2017 EMPG (Emergency Management Performance Grant) in the amount of \$1203.16 for a total of \$17,136.16.
 - Spent 2 full days reviewing software for incident management usage for Region 8 Homeland Security grant. This will be used throughout the 10-county region and will also be able to be used just within the county.
 - Participated in statewide WEBEOC drill.
 - Delivered NOAA All-hazards receivers to Dean Wright with Morgan Local Schools.
 - Working on year end closeouts and preparing books for 2019.
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Tracie Wagner, Judy Ray, Cindy Tuttle BOE

-Discussed purchasing voting machines. Also, discussed making the BOE handicap accessible. The commissioners noted they would do their best to address their issues.

Tiffany McCabe, PJ Hinkle, Lori-Ryan Griffin, Morgan SWCD

2019 Program Goals

- Continue to put conservation of the land
- Continue to provide a District Office for the citizens of Morgan County
- Provide educational outreach field days to our Morgan County Schools and the community.
- Replace District Truck
- Full time staffing: At this time we have two part-time employees, one working 32 hours per week and the other working 24 hours per week; the RCPP full-time staffing or an additional employee is becoming a necessity.
- Office upgrades (Bathroom, electric, heat, office furniture, ect.)

What Do We Do

- NRCS Program Assistance: The office provides space for a NRCS employee so that producers may sign up in the county for Federal Programs.
- In FY2018 Morgan County was approved for \$483,860 worth of EQIP dollars to assist producers in putting conservation practices on their land
- Cover Crop Program: Provides assistance in obtaining a cost-share rate for seeding cover crops to improve soil health. Morgan County producers have shown increased interest in this program. In 2017, 1,645 acres were approved, and now in 2018 we have been approved for 1,692 acres. However, due to the weather only 781.54 we planted.
- Muskingum Watershed Livestock Exclusion and Stream Protection Fencing: Continuing to assist producers in getting cost-share funding from this program. Morgan County currently has two stream fencing and stream crossing projects approved for installation.
- CAUV: This past summer and fall we had the opportunity to assist the Morgan County Auditor's office on CAUV contracts.
- Equipment Rental: We currently keep a Brillion Seeder and a No-Till Drill available for our producers to rent throughout the year and sow their crops. This year we will be adding the John Deere 825 for producers participating in the RCPP S.T.O.P. program
 - o With usage through the year, the equipment does require maintenance and repair, which can be costly for the office.
- Plat Book Sales: The latest (2016) version of the Morgan County Plat Book is available for sale at the SWCD Office. We will be updating the Plat Books in 2019.

Education and Outreach

Conservation education helps people of all ages understand and appreciate our county's natural resources, and learn how to conserve those resources for future generations. Our educational programs target both adults and children through the following:

*4th grade Field Day

*Annual Tree Sale

*Hook Lake Field Day

*Annual Fish Sale

*Hay Day Field Demonstration

*District Newsletters

*Morgan County Cattleman's Meeting

*Educational Articles

*Morgan County Fair Booth

*Poster Contest

*Annual Meeting (2019 is the 75th Anniversary)

*Pond Clinic

*Annual ATV Farm Tour

What's New?

Beginning Farmer's Program

We have a big idea for our Beginning Farmer's Program. The program continues to grow and reach out to young farmers and their families to encourage them to put conservation on the land. We are currently in contact with nearly 60 new farmers throughout the county. We are striving to keep this group engaged and educated on new and innovated ideas to bring to the county.

RCPP S.T.O.P.

Regional Conservation Partnership Program

Spotted Knapweed Treatment for Ohio Producers

The project is underway!!! Finally, we have received the go ahead for this project. Our first signup ended on October 19th, 2018. We are the lead partner on this project along with, Muskingum, Guernsey and Noble counties. During our first signup, we received 44 applications, 40 of those 44 were from Morgan County.

With this project, Morgan County will be working with ODOT, the Morgan County Engineer and 8 Morgan County Townships (Bloom, Bristol, Deerfield, Homer, Malta, Marion, Morgan and Penn.)

Doug McGrath, Sheriff

2018 Accomplished Goals

Hiring/mentoring of 4 underprivileged youth for summer jobs

Secured a grant to pay for New Bullet proof vests

3 Drug Arrest on Marijuana Eradication

Fully Staffed (10 Deputies) by end of August

8 Cameras installed in the Office- improved security
Full set of professionally developed Policies and Procedures instituted in August (App Based), with Daily Training Bulletins.
Installed new holding cell for booking and “out to court” females
Another successful Fair -no issues- Vehicle accident with 3 pedestrians
Secured financing thru the commissioners and my own budget and purchased new mobiles, portables and base station radios
3 more Deputies trained in Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)
Switched the School Resource Officer position to Deputy West, which entailed him to get further certification in Active Shooter and SRO training. I have received nothing but positive feedback from the School System over Deputy Wests accomplishments.
Secured grant money to purchase a McGruff and Scruff Costume. Kids reacted beautifully.
Hosted a Prescription Drug Take Back Day and collected approx. 110lbs of pills
Launched a counter campaign to Issue #1 with Newspaper articles, Letter to the Editor, conversations at events. Bill was ultimately defeated.
Hosted another successful HOFNOD (Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs)- 351 kids participated.
Participated in “Career Days” at all Elementary schools.
Participated in the Pre-Teen Institute at the Junior High School.
Partnered with Morgan Behavioral Health, Allwell and various Pastors from the Religious community to form a QRT “Quick Response Team” mainly to battle our opioid/heroin crisis here but we also encompass any type of addiction problem. Attacking the problem at the source seems to have more positive results and in the end drives down the counties portion as far as incarceration costs.
Co-Sponsored a parent drug awareness seminar called “Operation Street Smart”.
Facilitated with School Superintendent and put into place armed teachers in each school. Teachers are trained in the “FASTER” Program, design for active shooters in schools.
I attended Leadership Development Training thru The NSA in Denver, Colorado. A very beneficial experience.
Hosted a “No Shave November”. Each Deputy was required to pay \$20 to participate and then follow-up with sponsorships from the community. This went very well, the community stepped up and we were able to raise \$1284.00 for MoCo Team Blue (Started by Retired Chief Woodburn to assist others in their battle with cancer).
Just recently coordinated a purchase of a new “LIVE SCAN” fingerprint machine. The old one broke in February. It was funded previously thru State Grant that has not been available for several years. This is a machine is a necessity to stay in compliance with State and Federal requirements of submitting fingerprints of general population inmates, indicted/convicted felons and crime of violence inmates from both County and Common Pleas Courts. This system was in the amount of \$15,000 but will last us another 10 to 15 years. It came with an added bonus of a mugshot program which will enhance the overall inmate booking process.

Shannon Wells, Development Office

-Transit-Advertisement for mechanic was in the Herald Dec.5th and will be in Dec12th. It is also listed in the job leads at Job and Family Services. Deadline for applications is Dec 19th.

- Updated commissioners on revolving loan fund.
- Chesterhill EPA WPCLF-Engineer had public meeting for EPA funds and 4 residents attended. Residents were concerned how they would pay for the hook up, but otherwise the topic was well received.
- Bristol Waterline- Project delayed due to weather, contractor backed up on another job. May start at the end of December. grant deadline is 12-28-18.
- CHIP-Housing Revolving Loan Fund Administration Agreement 1/1/19-12/31/21.
- Recycling-funding request submitted for 2019 for \$45,000.
- Malta 3rd street bid-Low spot in road. Was fixed by Shelly & Sands last Friday.
- Opera House-Project start date December 3, 2018.
- Roundabout-1st payment towards roundabout loan will be \$45,366.35. Will be able to process another request for close to the same amount in January.
- Septics-Wilkins Excavating contract complete. M&M Excavating open contract remains.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

- Submitted report-filed

David Bailey, 911

- Discussed new laws that have been passed regarding 911.

Linda Sheets, Senior Center

- Submitted bills
- Discussed a situation in which she had to let an employee go.

18-456- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reappoint Ms. Jenny Lindimore to the Kate Love Simpson Library Board term expiring December 21, 2025.

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

18-457- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to buy down 100 hours of comp time from both Board of Elections employees.

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

18-458- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reappoint Mr. Phil Lawrence to Morgan Meigsville Water Board expiring December 31, 2021.

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

TRANSFERS, THEN & NOWS, SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS & UTILITY APPLICATIONS

18-459- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to transfer the following:

- \$80.00 from line item 001-0207-5319.00 (Juror Fees) to line item 001-0207-5323.00 (Visiting Judge)
- \$80.00 from line item 001-0207-5320.00 (Wit Fees) to line item 001-0207-5323.00 (Visiting Judge)
- \$39.43 from line item 001-0207-5322.00 (Credit Card) to line item 001-0207-5323.00 (Visiting Judge)
- \$.63 from line item 001-0207-5304.00 (Equip) to line item 001-0010207-5323.00 (Visiting Judge)
- \$175.00 from line item 001-0207-5369.00 (Work Comp) to line item 001-0207-5307.00 (Travel)
- \$200.00 from line item 001-0207-5369.00 (Work Comp) to line item 001-0207-5367.00 (PERS)

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

18-460- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer the following:

- Transfer \$6,000.00 from the 113-0113-5310-00 debt line item into the 113-0113-5309-00 miscellaneous line item.
- Transfer \$100.76 from the 113-0113-5369-02 dispatcher worker's compensation to the 113-0113-5368-00 medicare line item.
- Transfer \$200.00 from the 113-0113-5369.01 driver workers compensation to the 113-0113-5368-00 medicare line item.
- Transfer \$100.00 from the 113-0113-5369-01 drivers workers compensation to the 113-0113-5368-02 dispatcher medicare line item.
- Transfer \$5,000.00 from the 113-0113-5310-00 debt line item into the 113-0113-5371-00 insurance line item.
- Transfer \$2,000.00 from the 113-0113-5310-00 debt line item into the 113-0113-5367-00 P.E.R.S. line item.
- Transfer \$22,000.00 from the 113-0113-5310-00 debt line item into the 113-0113-5102-00 salaries line item.
- Transfer \$10,000.00 from the 113-0113-5310-00 debt line item into the 113-0113-5307-00 travel line item.

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

18-461- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to transfer the following:

- Transfer \$2,000.00 from PERS account 004-0004-5367.01 and place into roundabout expense account 004-0004-5370.00.
- Transfer \$400.00 from bridge account 004-0004-5330-01 and place into roundabout expense account 004-0004-5370.00.
- Transfer \$600.00 from other expense account (k24) 004-0004-5309.00 and place into PERS county portion account 004-0004-5367.00.
- Transfer \$4,500 from contract services account (k15) 004-0004-5305.01 and place in group insurance account (k11b) 004-0004-5365.00.

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

18-462- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve a supplemental appropriation from the treasurers dretac fund in the amount of \$2,220.00. This amount should be appropriated into the following funds:

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| other expenses | 060-0060-5309.00 | \$ 500.00 |
| dretac salary | 060-0060-5102.00 | \$1,425.00 |

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| dretac medicare | 060-0060-5368.00 | \$ 25.00 |
| dretac workers comp | 060-0060-5369.00 | \$ 45.00 |
| dretac PERS | 060-0060-5367.00 | \$ 225.00 |

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

18-463- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to request a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$2,182.36 in sheriffs other expenses 001-0601-5309.00 to pay for the repairs. This is money that was paid into sheriffs claims 001-0601-4002.00.

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

18-464- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to transfer \$2,758.00 from contract services line item 001-0301-5306.00 to employee salaries line item 001-0301-5102.00.

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

18-465- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer \$6,396.00 from sheriffs salaries employees 001-0601-5102.00 as follows:

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| PERS | 001-0601-5367.00 | \$6,072.00 |
| Medicare | 001--601-5368.00 | \$ 324.00 |

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

18-466- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to request the following supplemental appropriations for fund 085 Revolving Loan Fund: other expense: 085-0085-5309-00 \$27,406.00

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

18-467- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer \$2,500.00 from sheriff's supplies -gasoline 001-0601-5303.01 into sheriff's other expenses 001-0601-5309.00.

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

18-468- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer \$200.00 from PERS account # 001-0602-5367.00 to employee salary account #001-0602-5102.00.

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

18-469- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to request the following supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$10,717.49.

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

18-470- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Vanhorn to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

18-471- Motion by Mr. Vanhorn and second by Mr. Shriver 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
