

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices Monday, February 4, 2019.
The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Adam Shriver, President
Mike Reed, Vice- President
Tom Bragg, Member

19-054-- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the minutes of January 28, 2019.
Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

*Commissioners are in receipt of January expense, revenue and statement of cash report from the Morgan County Auditor.

Vicki Quesinberry, Job and Family Services

19-055- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve the following then and now resolution:

Voucher	Amount	Vendor	Account #	PO Number
103770	\$23,423.08	M.C. Transit	006-0006-5340.00	19-24498

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

Vicki Quesinberry JFS: Submitted travel requests

-Tina Cooper to Caldwell, Ohio on 2-2-19 for training. "Hands on training for entering cases into OWCMS".

-Kari Schaad to Columbus, Ohio on 2-4-19 for training, "Child Care Monitor".

19-056- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve the IV-D Contract with Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Division.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

John Wilt, EMA

- Continuing to work on inventory of grant purchases – *will be doing actual physical inventory across the County over next few months.*
- Working on purging old files, per advice from Monitoring visit.
- Continue working with townships on Public Assistance grants
- Completed and submitted EMPG (Emergency Management Performance Grant) Q5 reimbursement request in amount of \$9557.32. This is a 50% reimbursement grant so anticipating payment of \$4778.66.
- Applied for HMEP (Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness grant) for LEPC to fund tabletop exercise. Received approval for grant of \$6000. This is an 80% reimbursement grant so LEPC maximum exposure is \$1800. Preparing RFPs for contractors.
- Attended kickoff for Region 8 Homeland Security Knowledge Center database. This is an interoperative tool for emergency and everyday management of resources/personnel. Will be holding training for designated partner stakeholders within a couple of months. Will be available to all townships, villages, law enforcement, fire departments, Health, Engineer, JFS, etc. This also requires a lot of data collection and input for the initial startup.
- Investigated erroneous data from McConnelsville streamgage and reported outage to US Geological Survey (they maintain the gages) and also to US Army Corps of Engineers and National Weather Service Hydrologic office. The gage freezes up anytime we have ice on the river and gives totally erroneous readings. This was part of the issue with the ice jam flooding last year as the Corps was releasing a lot of

water from Dillon and not seeing a rise on McConnelsville gage. The USGS data people will be addressing the issue.

- Working with Health Department on servicing BluMed trailer so it is in immediate deployable condition. Due to outside storage the battery will need replaced and the diesel generator/climate control system will need services.



January 14, 2019

Director
John Wilt
Morgan County EMA
60 South Fourth St.
McConnelsville, OH 43756

Dear Director:

The Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) each year conducts an extensive trapping program across Ohio to detect growing populations of the invasive species *Lymantria dispar*, better known as the Gypsy Moth. This insect does its damage by defoliating the tree during its caterpillar life stage. A couple of years of defoliation and other environmental stresses can cause the trees to die. With over 300 species of trees and shrubs that can be affected, it is considered one of the most destructive insect pests threatening our forest and ornamental plants in Ohio. If left unchecked, Gypsy Moth infestations can grow quite rapidly. Therefore, it is vital to eliminate growing populations as soon as possible.

ODA has recently completed an analysis of Gypsy Moth populations throughout Ohio. Based on rising moth captures and/or egg mass counts within your area, we have concluded that a treatment is needed. ODA, in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Forest Service / Forest Health Protection / Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread Program will be conducting a Gypsy Moth Treatment Project during the months of May and June in your area. Aerial treatment(s) of forested areas infested with the Gypsy Moth pest may begin in early to mid-May with a larvacide treatment and in mid-June, with a mating disruption treatment.

The purpose of this letter is to inform your department that this program will take place and supply you with informational material so that your staff is well informed to answer any questions from the public.

Treatments will be made with the following:

- A single application of the biological insecticide *B.t.k. (Bacillus thuringiensis, subspecies kurstaki*, known under the commercial name **Foray 48B**, to the tree canopy. This application(s) will occur in early to mid-May while the pest is in its early caterpillar stages. When ingested by the Gypsy Moth, toxins form in the stomach causing the caterpillar to stop eating, resulting in its death.
- A single application of mating disruption product, **Splat Gypsy Moth Organic**. The product contains a synthetic Gypsy Moth pheromone, *disparlure*. This application will occur in early to mid-June at the beginning of the mating season. When applied to the tree canopy, the pheromone disrupts the communication between the male and female moths, preventing them from finding each other and mating. This treatment does not kill the Gypsy Moth but reduces the population in the area for next year.

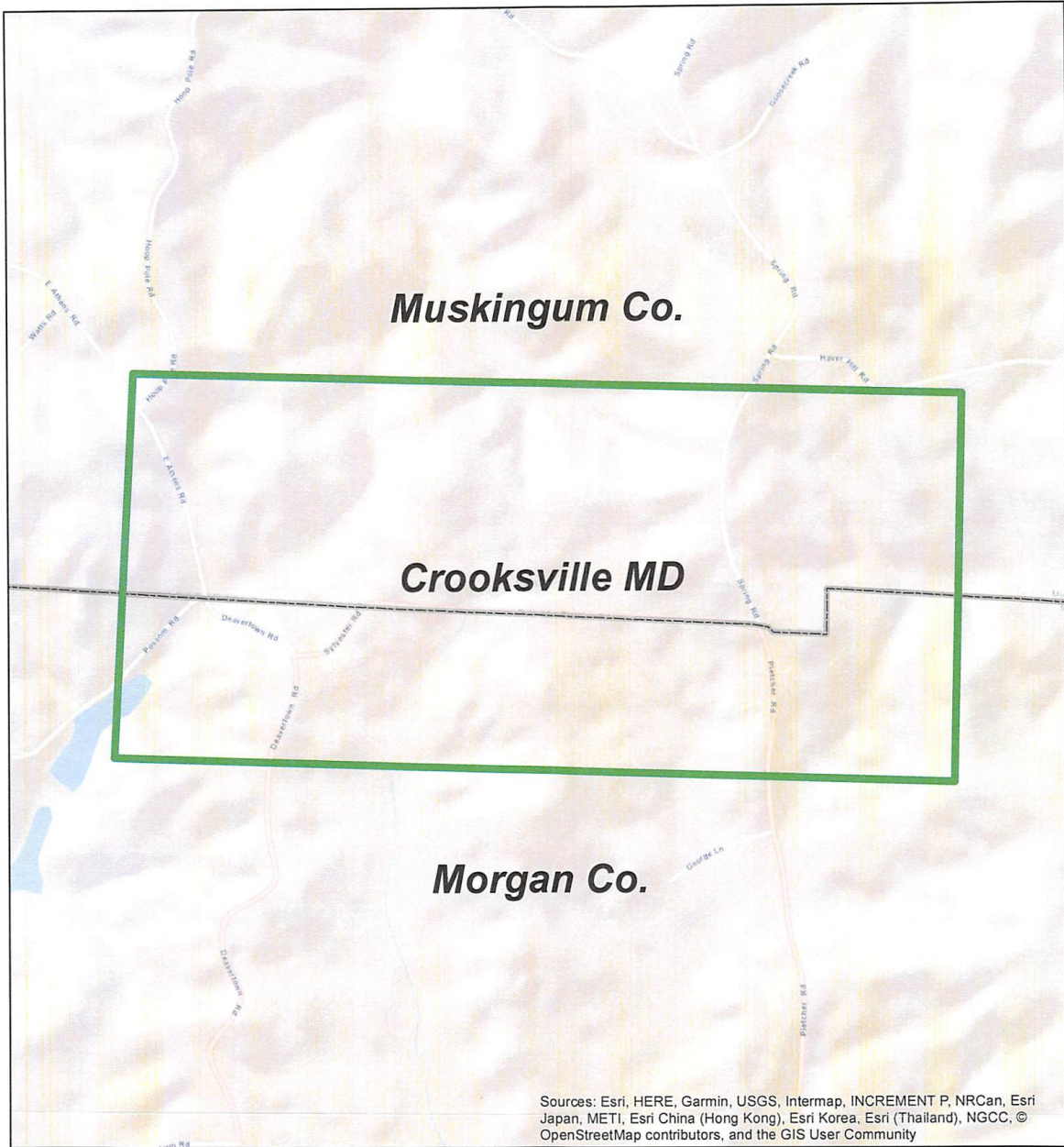
Even though scientific research shows the products used are not considered harmful to humans, residents with concerns may want to remain indoors during the treatments, but there is no requirement to do so.

All treatments will be applied from an aircraft flown approximately 50 to 100 feet above the tree tops. The exact time and date of treatment applications in your area cannot be determined in advance. The timing of treatments is dependent on insect development and environmental conditions. We will attempt to contact your department by phone or e-mail prior to the start of treatments in your area.

Information about the Gypsy Moth and the ODA Gypsy Moth Management Program is available on our website www.agri.ohio.gov, click on "Safeguarding Animals & Plants", then click on "Plant Health", and then click on "Gypsy Moth Program". Copies of the fact sheets, insecticide label, MSDS, and a map of the treatment area(s) are enclosed for your reference.

An Open House has been scheduled for the public from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on the following date: Wednesday, February 6, 2019, at the OSU Extension Office – Morgan County, 155 East Main

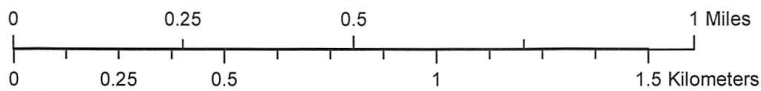




Block Name/Program: Crooksville MD / STS

Product/Rate/Acres: SPLAT / 6g / 527 acres

County/Notes: Muskingum, Morgan Co

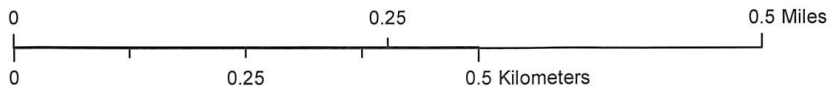


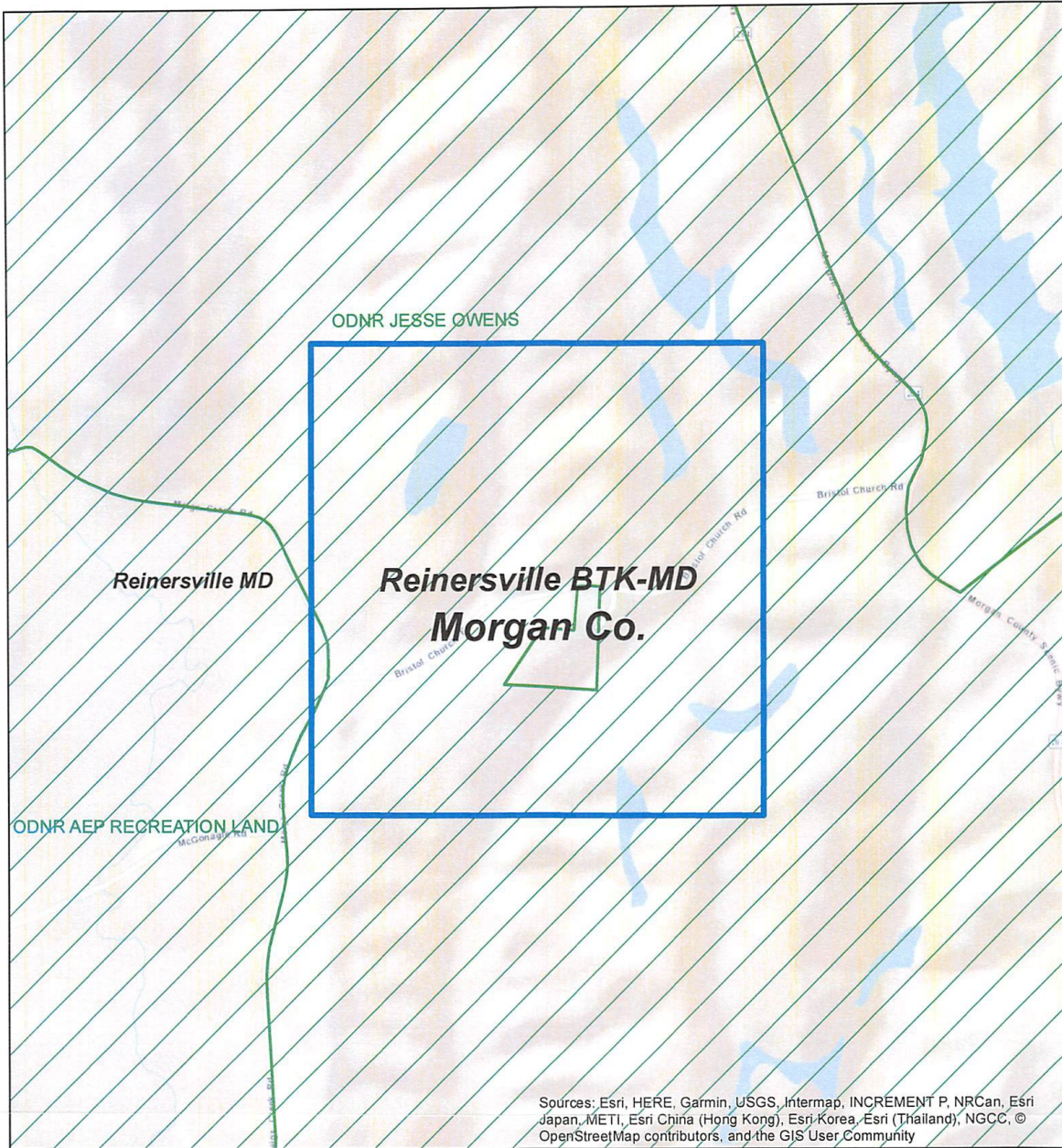


Block Name/Program: Deavertown MD / STS

Product/Rate/Acres: SPLAT / 15g / 165 acres

County/Notes: Morgan, Perry Co

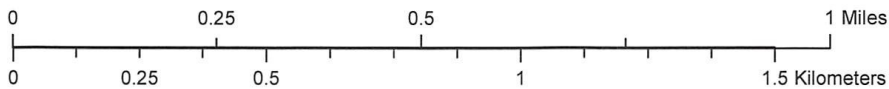


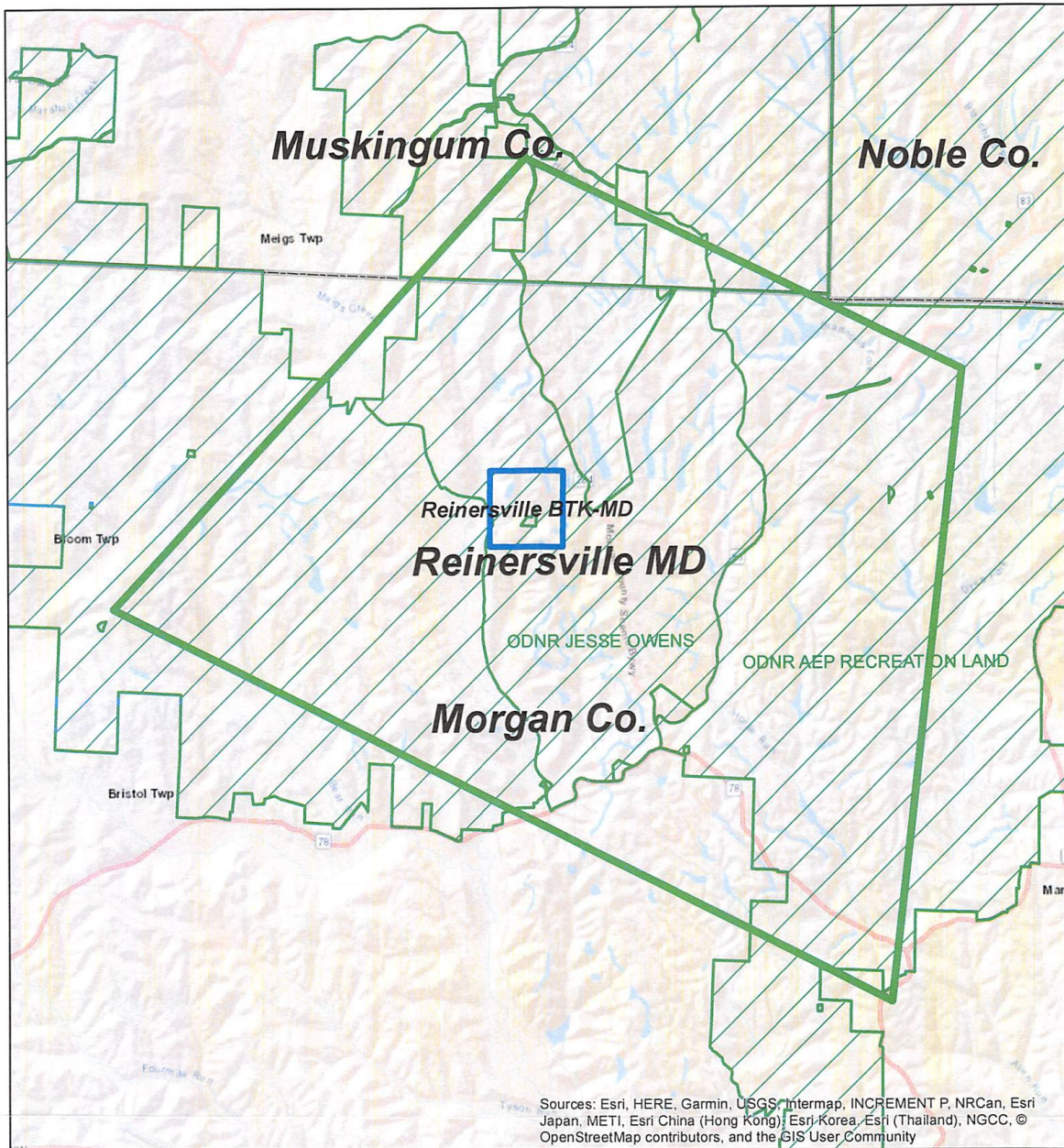


Block Name/Program: Reinersville BTK-MD / STS

Product/Rate/Acres: Valent 48B / 24BIUx1 / 242 acres

County/Notes: Morgan Co; Jesse Owens WA, AEP Rec land

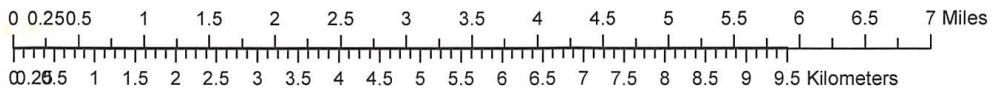




Block Name/Program: Reinersville MD / STS

Product/Rate/Acres: SPLAT / 6g / 17649 acres

County/Notes: Morgan, Muskingum Co; AEP Rec land, Jesse Owens WA



Steve Hook, Engineer

19-057- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Bragg to grant United Telephone of Ohio (DBA CenturyLink) permission from the Morgan County Commissioners to bury along County Road 3, located in Township of Deerfield, Morgan County, Ohio.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed abstain Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

19-058- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Shriver to grant permission to CenturyLink from the Morgan County Commissioners to bore under County Road 74, *along with* construction, located within Township of Deerfield, Morgan County, Ohio.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed abstain Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

*The commissioners attended a Council of Government (COG) meeting this afternoon with commissioners from Noble, Monroe and Washington counties; left at 10:15 and returned at 1:30pm.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

-Submitted report-filed

Steve Hook, Engineer

19-059- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to allow Engineer Hook to set up an escrow account at First National Bank of McConnelsville (1.65%) in the amount of Twenty-seven thousand five hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$27,500.00) to cover the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) PID: 101723.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

-Troubleshooting continues on the refurbished voicemail system in the Riecker Building. The issue of date and time not being recorded with messages has been resolved. The only outstanding issue is the lack of visual notifications on the handsets when voicemails are received.

The failed single-line interface board on the Riecker Building's phone switch has been replaced and all phones and fax machines on that card have been restored to operation.

Research has begun on security information and event management (SIEM) software that would be suitable for the County's network. The uses of SIEM software is likely going to be required by the Secretary of State as part of its effort to secure the Board of Elections network infrastructure. There does not appear to be a single all-in-one solution. Two pieces of software that seem viable at this time are OSSEC (a host intrusion detection system) and LOGalyze (event log manager). Research and testing are ongoing.

On 23 January 2019, the IT Director and Commissioner Mike Reed attended the Zanesville – Muskingum County Safety Council in Zanesville. The topic of this Safety Council was medical marijuana and BWC claims, presented by Scott Sinclair of the Bureau of Workers Compensation.

Countywide replacement of antivirus software on computers has begun. The software that was being used, Avast Free for Business, changed their business model to a pay service. Avast will be removed from computers and Comodo Internet Security will be installed. Comodo is free and highly rated, but lacks the centralized management and notifications that a paid business antivirus suite would offer.

Mrs. Becky Aber and Jeff Michaels Health Department

-The Health Department is planning on having a blood pressure screening in the lobby of the Riecker Building on February 14, 2019 from 9-11am.

-Mrs. Aber discussed with the commissioners the balance of the Health Department's general fund. Her general fund has been depleted due to employees leaving or retiring and other expenditures relating accreditation. This situation was discussed in great length between Ms. Aber and the commissioners.

Linda Sheets, Senior Center

-Concerned about sending her employees out on the road in bad weather. Mrs. Sheets requested permission to make a judgment call as to whether or not to send employees to homes if weather is bad or below 0.

TRANSFERS, THEN & NOWS, SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS & UTILITY APPLICATIONS

*None

19-060- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

19-061- Motion by Mr. Bragg and second by Mr. Reed to adjourn the commissioners meeting at 4:00pm.

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

Adam Shriver, President

Mike Reed, Vice-President

Tom Bragg, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk

