

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices Monday, April 22, 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

19-145- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the minutes of April 15, 2019.
Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

19-146- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve the following:

Whereas, The Ohio State Board of Housing held a duly authorized meeting on May 16, 1978, at which a resolution was adopted creating Morgan Metropolitan Housing Authority.

Now, Therefore, pursuant to provisions of said resolution and section 3735.37 (1078-30) of Baldwin's Ohio Revised Code, as amended and supplemented, and by virtue of the office of The County Commissioners of Morgan County,

Hereby appoint Lynn White as a member of the Morgan Metropolitan Housing Authority Board to serve for a period of five (5) years to commence on the
__18th__ day of May, 2019, and ending on the 18th day of May, 2024

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

Vicki Quesinberry, Job and Family Services

-submitted bills and no travel requests
-Council of Government (COG) meeting in Caldwell, Ohio May 6, 2019

19-146- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to enter executive session to with Ms. Quesinberry at 9:00am pursuant to ORC 121.22 section (G)(5) Confidential Matters.

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

19-147- - Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to exit executive session to with Ms. Quesinberry at 9:05am pursuant to ORC 121.22 section (G)(5) Confidential Matters.

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

Steve Hook, Engineer

-Wanted to check to see if the commissioners had any issues with the roads. Engineer Hook discussed projects that are currently in progress and the amount on funds being spent on them. Commissioners inquired about Lick Run Rd., County Rd. 3, and the lawn waste site.

Darel Kuntz, Morgan Township Trustee

-Discussed the slip by the high school--was informing commissioners about the Issue 1 work being done to township road 212 (Parmiter Rd.) A portion of it was being paved. The entire road needs work. Commissioners will continue to work on getting funding for both townships.

19-148- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to award all the installation of six (6) private water lines in Bristol and Maysville township residents to M&M Excavating in the amount of \$6,757.00. The lines are being installed as part of the CDBG Residential Public Infrastructure Grant, which is to assist low-income homes with connections to public water systems.

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

19-149- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the following:

Whereas, bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, contributing \$47 billion a year to the economies of communities that provide facilities for such tourists; and

Whereas, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various US Bicycle Routes.

Whereas, the Ohio Department of Transportation has designated a series of corridors crossing Ohio to be developed as various State Bicycle Routes.

Whereas, the Ohio Department of Transportation is supportive of AASHTO designated bicycle routes through Ohio, subject to ongoing collaboration with affected jurisdictions to inventory, analyze, and designate specific facilities the routes will traverse, and

Whereas, the Morgan County Commissioners, and the Adventure Cycling Association, with the cooperation of the Ohio Department of Transportation and other stakeholders, have proposed specific routes to be designated as various US and State Bike Routes, a map of which is herein incorporated into this resolution by reference, and

Whereas, we have investigated the proposed route and found it to be a suitable route, and desire that the route be designated so that it can be mapped and signed, thereby promoting bicycle tourism in our area,

Whereas, we acknowledge the route may change over time because new facilities are being constructed that are more suitable for bicyclists,

Therefore let it be Resolved, that the Morgan County Commissioners hereby express its approval and support for the development of various State and US Bike Routes, and requests that the appropriate officials see to it that the route is officially designated by AASHTO. Once the Route is approved by AASHTO, there may be efforts to publicize the route via internet maps, incorporating the Route on local maps, etc. Tourism agencies may be involved in these efforts.

Wendy Gorrell, MCDD

-Mrs. Gorrell was seeking clarification on Help Me Grow funds that were once in the Health Department funds and were moved to DD. The commissioners let her know that they have no control over those funds. The commissioners explained to Mrs. Gorrell issues they support the work being done by DD to assist families implemented by Help Me Grow.

Gene Watkins, RAJCO

-Rajco LLC is a company that can help clients save money on utility bills. Initially, Rajco will need two years worth of bills and a month worth of energy in order to audit them. The commissioners advised Mr. Watkins this could take some time. The phone bill is what the commissioners have chosen first to begin with since it doesn't require such an extensive amount of bills. Commissioners sent the contract with RAJCO to Prosecutor Howdyshell for review.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

Dog report-filed

Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

The problems with the Riecker Buildings HVAC system continue, despite an attempt to reset the individual air valve boxes in some of the affected offices. The building control unit (BCU) appears to be the source of the problem, though no solutions have been found at this time. To add to the problems, one of the compressors on air conditioning unit RTU-2 has failed. Advanced Heating and Cooling will return to get RTU-2 online again and continue troubleshooting the BCU issues.

There is a new round of malware making its way to the e-mail inboxes of County employees. Fortunately, the antivirus software is catching the malware prior to infection. However, there appears to be several files that attempt to install with this strain of malware and it causes the antivirus software to display 30 plus pop-up windows that the user will have to close individually.

Verizon reported high data usage on the CradlePoint wireless access points in use by Public Transit. Investigations into the high usage revealed that Transit employees were connecting their personal cell phones to the CradlePoints while at work. Steps to resolve this issue are in discussions.

While it was thought that the County's Amazon corporate line of credit had been removed from the County's Amazon account, it turns out that it will merely disappear if an item that cannot be purchased with a corporate line of credit is in the shopping cart. Once the offending item is removed from the cart, the line credit will return as a method of payment.

TRANSFERS, THEN & NOWS, SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS & UTILITY APPLICATIONS

19-150- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Shriver to grant permission to Century Link to bore under County Road 1028, Andrus Rd, located in Homer Township Morgan County Ohio Section No. 36.

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

19-151- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to Recess the Commissioner's meeting at 4:00pm.

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

19-152- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Shriver to re-adjoin the Commissioner's meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 10:45am.

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

Bryn Stepp, Lt, Governor's Office

-Ms. Stepp wanted to introduce herself to the commissioners and see what type of issues Morgan County is presently dealing with. The commissioners noted that the slip on state route 376 has been a huge issue in the past six to eight months. Due to the slip, a township road is being used as an alternate route and is now being destroyed. The commissioners requested she mention the slip to Representative Ron Hood in order to receive assistance for the townships. The commissioners also said they could use some help with agricultural runoff contaminating farm ponds. Ms. Stepp noted that some resources could potentially be available in July. She would like the commissioners to check back then. Also, they requested Local Government Funds be restored at 100%.

19-153- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

19-154- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Shriver to adjourn the Commissioners meeting at 11:10am.

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

Adam Shriver, President

Mike Reed, Vice-President

Tom Bragg, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk
