

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their offices Monday, May 20, 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

19-180- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the minutes of May 13, 2019.
Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

Vicki Quesinberry, JFS

Travel Requests

- Kari Schaad to Marietta, Ohio on May 14, 2019 for training, APS Financial Exploitation Symposium.
- Dee Vandine to Columbus, Ohio on June 12, 2019 for training, New scanner system for Child Support payments.

Steve Hook, Engineer

19-181- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to appoint Engineer Hook as Morgan County contact person for FEMA approved projects.

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

19-182- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the following:

The following Final Resolution enacted by the Board of County Commissioners, County of Morgan, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Legislative/Local Public Agency (LPA), in the matter of the stated described project. Whereas, on the 14th day of January, 2019 the LPA enacted legislation proposing cooperation with the Director of Transportation for the described project:

The project consists of constructing and replacing guardrail on South River Road SE/South Riverview Road (C.R.2), Brandeberry Road (C.R.47), Westland Road (C.R.39) and Poplar Ridge Road (C.R.56), including end treatments, lying within Morgan County.

Whereas, the LPA shall cooperate with the Director of Transportation in the above described project as follows:

The County agrees to assume and bear one hundred percent (100%) of the entire cost of the improvement, less the amount of Federal-Aid CEAO funds set aside by the Director of Transportation for the financing of this improvement from funds allocated by the federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

In the view of the fact that the LPA's share of the project is now estimated in the amount of Zero---00/100, (\$0.00), therefore, the County will not be required to deposit and funds at this time. The LPA's ultimate share of the cost will be determined when final actual costs and allocations are determined.

Whereas, The Director of Transportation has approved said legislation proposing cooperation and has caused to be made plans and specifications and an estimate of cost and expense for improving the above described highway and has transmitted copies of same to the legislative authority; and

Whereas, This legislative authority desires the Director of Transportation to proceed with the aforesaid highway improvement.

Now Therefore, be it resolved,

- I. That the LPA hereby requests the Director of Transportation to proceed with the aforesaid highway improvement.
- II. That the LPA enter into a contract with the State, and the County Engineer be, and is hereby authorized to execute said contract for improving the described project.
- III. That the LPA transmit to the Director of Transportation a fully executed copy of this Resolution.

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

Chris Penrose, OSU Extension

4-H Updates

- Camp Counselor/CIT camp is scheduled for June 4th and 5th 2019 at Camp Hervida.
- 4-H Camp Packets will be available May 28th for 4-H Members after 4-Hers get the opportunity to register non-4-Hers will have an opportunity to join us and their packets will be available on June 14th.
- Junior Fair board members a group OSU Extension works with and facilitates are selling t-shirts. If you are interested see a Junior Fair board member or Pam can ask a member to stop by and see you.
- Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors (includes 4-H members and FFA members) are in the process of completing their Quality Assurance requirement. May 4th Chris and Pam held two QA at Morgan High School. On May 7th young ages 12-18 had the opportunity to test out of QA and are pleased to say all seven youth that took the test passed. The final county session is May 23rd 6:30-8:30pm.
- New Volunteer training May 30th targeted to 4-H Riding therapy but individuals is being a traditional volunteer can participate they will just need to stay longer.
- 4-H non-livestock project judging is scheduled for July 9 and July 11 and we are working on getting the judging letter out to families.
- Junior Fair Livestock Exhibitors taking (feeder calves, dairy beef feeders, goat and sheep) have tag-in June 8th, 7am-1pm.
- Junior Fair Swine Exhibitors will have their animals tagged at their homes June 3rd and 4th.
- April 30th 4-H CARTEEN members presented the CARTEENS program to their peers that had traffic violations.

Successful Co-Parenting

- The next class is scheduled for August 27th 6:30-9:00pm.

Update on hiring 4-H Educator to share the 4-H Program with Pam Montgomery now that Amy Grove has retired and she is the Area Leader for Area 19 (Morgan, Muskingum, Perry and Washington counties)

- The position was posted, interviews held and it was offered but not accepted . We will be re-posting. Not sure of timing of that yet due to busy 4-H season.

SNAP Updates:

Amy is wrapping school programming this week. Continuing with AllWell cooking group on Wednesdays and MVHC wellness group every other Friday. Will be starting with summer food soon. Also doing programming with the library and a youth group at Morgan Metro housing this summer.

Agriculture Update:

Master Gardeners hosted a public meeting with author Debra Knapke. She provided a presentation on "Simplifying Your Garden" for the public at Kate Love Simpson Library, 50 were in attendance. The Master Gardeners are also sponsoring a Garden Tour here in town on Sunday June 30, 1-4pm.

Chris provided weekly press releases in the Morgan County Herald and an article in the Ohio Cattleman's magazine.

He is also in the process of attending each 4th grade class in the county providing ATV/UTV training. He also provided a Fertilizer Applicator Certification Training for farmers in the county.

Finally, the Farmers Market will start next Thursday, May 30th from 11am-1pm., Main Street Church of Christ parking lot.

Shannon Wells, Development Office

- Ad for part-time transit drivers added to Morgan County Public Transit Facebook page. Recommendation to add full-time driver position.
- Second public hearing June 3, 2019 at 10:00am in Commissioners Office for CDBG 2019 Community Development Program.
- Tax return for CVB filed and Statement of Continued Existence for non-profit filed with Ohio Secretary of State. Checking with Attorney General's Office to see if need to file charitable Registration.
- Septic change orders with LM Excavating that have been recommended by Morgan County Health Department-Contract 17-6C \$2,000 install curtain drain to divert ground water. Contract 18-1C install 10x12 concrete pad. He had to tear our old pad so he could tie in gray water drains to new septic system.

19-183- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve two change orders with LM Excavating for septic installs.

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

- Revolving Loan Fund balance as of 5/17/19-\$419,670.73. Committed RLF projects not yet spent \$108,509.59 include Roundabout, Malta 3rd street, Handicapped Buttons at Health Department and Grove Shelter project. Recommended projects for 2019-2020:

Health Department Foundation-\$51,000

Chesterhill Village Sidewalks-\$50,000

McConnelsville Walking Path-\$50,000

*Commissioners will discuss this further.

- Signature needed for final pay request for Malta 3rd street project completion-\$5,000. Asphalt completion 5/20/19.

19-184- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to adjust common pleas 2019 budget appropriation by \$10,000 to supplement loss of grant revenue.

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

19-185- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to adjust juvenile court 2019 budget appropriation by \$12,000 to supplement loss of grant revenue.

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

Doug McGrath, Sherriff, Sheriff

-Discussed an increase in budget. His request was denied for additional money. The commissioners told him to transfer the money from his salary line item. The sheriff agreed.

-Discussed the need to hire more deputies.

Gary Woodward, Auditor

-Discussed a structure fire that took place on Saturday. Both Reinersville and M&M fire Departments were called. Issues with adult protective services not responding was brought up. Commissioners will speak with JFS Director to find out more information.

19-186- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to place libraries 1 mil renewal levy on the November 2019 general election ballot.

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

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

Dog report-filed

Paul Brown, MAGNAM

-MAGNAM (Muskingum and Guernsey Noble and Morgan) is a research park feasibility study. Research park development is a strategy employed by regions seeking to grow technology-based economies. Research parks are real estate developments in which land and building are being used to house public and private research and development (R&D) facilities, high- technology and science-based companies , and support services. By providing a location in which researchers and companies operate in close proximity, research parks create an environment that

fosters collaboration and innovation and promotes the development, transfer, and commercialization of technology. The innovations, technology, and knowledge generated by the companies. Most research institutions lead to creation of new start-up companies. Most research parks are affiliated with one or more universities; however, research parks have also been developed in close proximity laboratories or other sources of technology and innovation.

Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

-No report

TRANSFERS, THEN & NOWS, SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS & UTILITY APPLICATIONS

19-187- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to grant permission to Century Link to bore under 6845 Miller Rd., Morgan County Ohio.

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

19-188- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to grant permission to Columbia Gas of Ohio -Construction Services to bore under County Rd. Conk/Palmer located in Township of Malta, Morgan County Ohio.

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

19-189- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to request a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$21,138.96 from the Engineers' FEMA Fund Account (07) Please place the full amount in our FEMA Federal Asst. Account (007-0007-5301.00)

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

19-190- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

19-191- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to adjourn commissioners meeting at 4:00pm.

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

Adam Shriver, President

Mike Reed, Vice-President

Tom Bragg, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk

