

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Monday, December 23, 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

19-467- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the minutes of December 16, 2019.

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

John Wilt, EMA

- Continue working with townships on Public Assistance grants from 2018, 2019.
- Working with contractor regarding mitigation plan update.
- Reviewed various materials from mitigation plan contractor. Researched and added information regarding public and private campgrounds in County. Drove to several areas to gather information. Will be checking on other information from State resources as the planning process continues.
- Was pleased to see that Pennsville VFD received grant funding for 10 new self-contained breathing apparatus. This was from an ODNR grant that I had notified all the County fire departments of. JR Wilson mentioned that in an article in the Herald. I regularly pass grant information to partner agencies such as the Sheriff's office, fire departments and villages.
- Working on cybersecurity emergency operations plan per Ohio EMA. Will meet with Jeff Babcock for final revisions.
- Met with Dave Bailey regarding plans for 9-1-1 that he will be presenting later.
- Moved Team Spirit (brand) trailer from M&M Fire lot to Health Department. This trailer was stripped of all tools, etc. prior to my hiring. There is a built-in generator and office area in the front of the trailer. I will be working on plans to repair the generator and redevelop the trailer as a mobile communications trailer to house various radio equipment (it has several pre-installed antennas. The Morgan Amateur Radio Club will be offering assistance and expertise for this.
- Performed "sand box" test of IPAWS system through Code Red. This is a test required monthly by FEMA to ensure that our interface is functioning properly. We send a test message to FEMA and can observe the results live online.
- Preparing grant ledgers and books for 2020.

Linda Sheets, Senior Citizens,

-Submitted bills

Shannon Wells, Development Office

-Mrs. Wells found the Rural Industrial Park Improvements grants through a webinar. It would go toward zoning and signage. A turn lane is also being considered being placed near Miba. A lot of discussion concerning this topic. A final decision has not yet been made as several funding sources must be explored.

-Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) Audit-Passed with no findings

David Bailey, 911

-Discussed the six counties that are involved in Generation 911 (Next-Gen.) Also talked about the grants he is applying for...texting 911 and continuing updates to 911 system.

19-468- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to allow Mr. Bailey to apply for the second grant for continuing updates to 911 in the amount of \$33,389.32.

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

Rick Carpenter, State Auditor

-Gave a pre-update on Fiscal year 2018 audit.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden ; Kelly Caldwell, Humane Agent

-Submitted report-filed

-Discussed the needs of the dog pound. Talked about making the pound more transparent in small steps.

-Discussed giving Nick Finley, Deputy Dog Warden more hours to make the pound more assessable to people. The commissioners believe opening the dog pound a few hours on three different days per week with one of the days being on Saturday.

Melanie Baldwin, Morgan County Herald

-Discussed an ad the commissioners plan to place promoting and supporting all local businesses.

Jeff Babcock, It Administrator

-On 18 December 2019, the IT Director attended the Zanesville – Muskingum Chamber of Commerce Safety Council meeting in Zanesville. The topic of discussion was the difference

between safety inspections and safety audits. Basically, audits are like inspections, but go deeper into the company's policies and procedures.

A long standing issue with the Internet connection at the Courthouse was identified and corrected over this past week. The Courthouse suffered from an issue where large files were not able to download and the network connection would reset every three or four minutes. The problem was with the perimeter firewall where the network interface for the LAN side was set to 100 Mbps instead of 1 Gbps. It is unclear how this setting was changed; all NICs used in the firewalls are gigabit. The firewall will be monitored for any other problems.

It would appear that CenturyLink changed the long distance PIC code on our T1 lines to the proper long distance provider; several offices reported being unable to dial long distance following the change. After calling First Communications, it was discovered that many of our numbers were not set up in their database. A list of numbers that need long distance access was sent to be configured and long distance service was restored.

The Commissioners requested that the IT Director create an e-mail account for the Deputy Dog Warden on the County's .gov e-mail domain.

Transfers, Then & Now's, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

19-469- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to transfer the following:

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
001-0207-5303.00 Supplies	001-0207-5304.00 Equipment	\$1,400.00

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

19-470- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

19-471-Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to adjourn the 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

