

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Monday, May 4, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

*Mr. Richard Welsh sat in on the commissioner meeting from 8:00am until 11:00am.

*Due to COVID-19, the commissioner's meetings are currently being streamed through Facebook's Morgan County Commissioner page.

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

20-176- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the minutes of April 27, 2020.

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

* The commissioners discussed among themselves the safety of phasing the Riecker Building to re-open and also discussed when this should happen.

Heidi Burns, Job and Family Services

-Reminder-Council of Government (COG) Virtual Meeting Monday, today at 12:00pm.

-Unemployment website for employers has a new tab "Report COVID-19 Work Refusals"-this is for employers that have employees that are refusing to come back to work.

-Dropbox installed and countertop installed?

-Mandated Share-May 2020 \$3,135.17 State Fiscal Year 2020 \$37,622.00

John Wilt, EMA

Conference Call

Jeff Michaels-Gave COVID-19 update which included information concerning Ohio as well as Morgan County. As of today there are 19,609 confirmed cases and 1,038 deaths. Governor DeWine will begin reopening business in phases. Discussed this year's graduation. Virtual graduation was encouraged.

Chris Penrose, OSU

-Gave an update to the commissioner's as to how their office has been managing since COVID-19. It was also noted that the Farmer's Market will open May 28, 2020.

Shannon Wells, Development Office

-Funds are being donated and collected for a small business relief fund in Morgan County. If the board agrees, the CIC will oversee the distribution of the funds.

-Sheriff's office eligible to apply for grant funds through office of criminal justice-no match required.

-Spectrum government affairs contact-follow up on future plans for expansion in Morgan County.

Transit continue to average between 40-50 trips per day. 2021 grant due May 27th. CARES contract signature needed.

-Tourism budget reviewed in conference call.

-ARC pre-apps waiting on estimates to submit Health Department.

*The commissioners attended a conference call with Council of Government from noon til 12:45 pm.

Bernie Beagle, EPA

-Conference call regarding the Morgan County landfill.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

-Submitted report-filed

Mark Howdyshell, Prosecutor

-The courthouse is currently looking for someone to clean the common areas of the courthouse.

John Wilt, EMA

-Discussion concerning when building will be opening. Passed out masks to each office (including the commissioners office) with will be used sparingly.

Jeff Babcock, It Administrator

-There were no IT-related problems with the 2020 Primary Election. However, the election results were late to be uploaded due to corrupt thumb drives in the machine that counted the absentee ballots. The ballots had to be recounted twice, to verify the count was accurate. There was also a story circulating on Facebook that in-person voting was going to happen on 28 April 2020 at the Riecker Building. People were allowed to vote in-person at the Riecker Building, but it only applies to people with disabilities.

The Ohio Criminal Justice System is offering a grant to assist with many aspects of the COVID-19 pandemic to include the purchase of safety equipment, cleaning supplies, and technology that

enables remote access by law enforcement and court officers. The IT Director is researching what items can be bought with this grant in the hopes of upgrading the network infrastructure at the Courthouse and Sheriff's Office.

Research continues on the best free remote access software suites. This week, remote collaboration and meeting software was tested. Cisco WebEx is the clear winner for Morgan County's needs. Cisco is offering a lot of premium services on their free version of WebEx for six months, maybe longer. Microsoft Teams and Google Hangouts was also tested. Microsoft Teams is free and a close second to Cisco WebEx, at least for the needs of Morgan County offices. If the premium features in the free version of WebEx ever get turned off, Microsoft Teams will be the way to go.

Transfers, Then & Now, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

20-177- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Shriver to adopt a then and now resolution to pay the following bill that accumulated before the purchase order date of January 24, 2020:

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| 12-17-2019 | Jeter Systems | \$427.78 |
| 01-07-20 | Government Forms & Supplies | \$1,623.58 |

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

20-178- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the following:

Please transfer \$292.52 from the Title-Supplies account, line item 037-0037-5303-00 (PO#20-28644 to title-contract services account, lin item-037-0037-5306.00 (PO#28646.) This needs to be effective as of today's date in order to pay the attached Ohio Clerk of Courts Association dues, invoice.

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

20-179- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve a then and now resolution to pay the following bill that accumulated before the purchase order date of January 24, 2020:

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| 01-09-2020 | Ritter's Office Outfitters | \$ 9.50 |
| 01-14-2020 | Ritter's Office Outfitters | \$ 17.95 |
| 01-22-2020 | Ritter's Office Outfitters | \$490.00 |
| 01-16-2020 | Central Ohio Office Products | \$ 49.50 |

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

20-180- Motion by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Bragg adopt a then and now resolution to pay the following bill that accumulated before the purchase order date of January 24, 2020:

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| 01-01-2020 | Xerox Corp. | \$211.46 |
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Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Reed yea, Mr. Bragg yea, Motion Carried

20-181- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to request to establish a line item in the 113 Morgan County Public Transit Account

113-0113-4011-00 Operating Reserve

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

20-182- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Reed to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

*Note: The commissioner meeting will continue in recess until further notice because of the Coronavirus.

Adam Shriver, President

Tom Bragg, Vice-President

Mike Reed, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk