

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Tuesday, January 19, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Adam Shriver, President
Tom Bragg, Vice-President
Richard Welsh, Member

21-034- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the minutes of January 11, 2021.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

John Wilt, EMA

Continue working with townships on Public Assistance grants from 2019.

- Ohio Public Assistance grants approved by Governor- relayed information to Engineer and Center Township.
- Mitigation plan submitted to State for initial approval.
- Mitigation Plan quarterly update submitted to State.
- Ohio Emergency Operations Center coordination calls T-TH at 1300 hours.
- Continue updating Morgan County Resource Guide.
- Picked up trailer for Health Department from Rock's Trailers in Grove City.
- Continuing retrieval of stock of PPE from MCHD and added to stock at EMA as needed.
- Meeting with MCHD on regular basis.
- Developing new ID cards for M&M EMS that will be NIMS credentialing compliant.
- Ordered to isolation on 1/11/21 for 10 days. Notified MCHD since I had dropped off trailer but wasn't there long enough to meet quarantine criteria.
- Continued working from home- attending TEAMS meetings with the State, preparing and submitting application for SERC grant, preparing cash request for EMPG, preparing quarterly workplan update for EMPG, coordination of vaccine information release with MCHD, dialogue with Onsolve regarding CodeRed renewal, performed social media updates, etc.

Mark Howdyshell, Prosecutor

-Discussed with commissioners the parking situation at the courthouse.

21-035- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to enter executive session at 9:00am with Dean Blackburn pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(2) property.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-036- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to exit executive session at 9:25am with Dean Blackburn pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(2) property.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

Chris Penrose, OSU

4-H Report - Lydia Flores

- We have contacted all our adult volunteers about re-enrolling in 4-H through our new online database. Ohio 4-H uses the 4-H online system to manage all aspects of the 4-H program, including membership, events, projects, activities, and communications. We have a couple of early adopters with currently 6 volunteers approved, 6 awaiting approval, and 2 in progress.
- We are still accepting New 4-H Volunteers and conducting New Volunteer training in late January and early February.
- Older youth opportunities like Junior Leaders and Junior Fair Board are kicking off this year with their organizational meetings this month.

4-H Report – Pam Montgomery

- Camp Counselor/Counselor-in-training training starts this week via a virtual training/meeting.
- Older Youth in-training program starts this week via a virtual training/meeting.
- State 4-H Healthy Living Design has a number of activities, trainings, and resources available as the State 4-H Office has designated January as 4-H Mental Health Month. Individuals can go to the state 4-H website, <https://ohio4h.org>, to get information or reach out to our office.
- CARTEENS reorganize for 2021 on January 26th.
- 4-H Fashion Board reorganizes for 2021 on January 26th.

Office Announcement

- We hope to be able to announce our new Office Associate soon.

Ag, Natural Resource Update – Chris Penrose

- Weekly Press Releases in the Morgan County Herald
- Articles submitted to Ohio Cattleman's and Farm and Dairy
- Completed a virtual Grazing presentation to 90 clientele
- Pesticide Recertification scheduled for Monday, February 8th, reservations required.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

-Dog Report-filed

21-037- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to declare the ORC books from the Morgan County Commissioner's Office to be excess property and to be destroyed.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

Shannon Wells, Development Office

- 2nd public hearing January 25, 2021-10:00am for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Residential Public Infrastructure Grant The county is eligible to apply for \$750,000.

\$611,000 construction 50% total project cost

\$100,000 service connections

\$ 30,000 admin

\$741,000 total

- Review of senior center with engineer for cost estimate was week. The cost estimate is to be prepared for a new furnace and a/c unit, ductwork cleaning, new electric panel, new door hardware, faucets toilets for restrooms, and disinfectant sprayer
- Jr. high would like to help with recycling receptacles for the cafeteria and gymnasium.
- Transit applicant review for new driver hire. Mechanic assistant interview rescheduled for tomorrow at 10:30am.

Gary Woodward, Auditor

-Mr. Woodward discussed potentially extending the dog tag selling deadline to the public due to COVID.

21-038- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to extend the deadline for selling dog tags without a penalty until March 31,2021.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-039- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to enter executive session at 11:05am with Mr. Woodward pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(2) property.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-040- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to exit executive session at 11:15am with Mr. Woodward pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(2) property.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-041- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to enter executive session at 11:35am with Mrs. Burns pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(1) employee/personnel.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-042- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to exit executive session at 11:45am with Mrs. Burns pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(1) employee/personnel.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

Patricia Harris, Apiary Inspector

- Discussed with the commissioners how she come to get involved in bee-keeping.
- Discussed a budget and it was determined that a monthly report will be submitted of expenses.
- The commissioners requested an in person report from time to time in order to keep them updated.

21-043- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to appoint Ms. Patricia Harris as Morgan County's Apiary Inspector for the 2021 season.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-044- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to appoint Lydia Flores to the Kate Love Simpson Library Board to fill the unexpired term of Jennifer Barnhouse who resigned December 17, 2020, Ms. Flores' term expires December 31, 2025.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

Jeff Babcock, It Administrator

-All servers running the Windows Server operating system on the County network received a priority update to fix a recently publicized vulnerability to the operating system. The vulnerability allowed for remote sessions to be elevated to administrator level access. All servers were updated with no anomalies detected.

The network expansion in the basement of the Courthouse is ongoing. Some additional supplies will be needed to consolidate all Courthouse servers in one room. The CourtView servers will be moved first, other servers and firewalls will be moved once supplies can be procured.

A company called Public Surplus contacted the County to offer their online auction services. They are similar to GovDeals, which the County currently uses to sell their excess equipment. The Commissioners decided to keep using GovDeals as it seems to have more users.

Linda Sheets, Senior Center

-Submitted bills

Transfers, Then & Now, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

21-045- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to grant a then and now resolution in the amount of \$260.00 so that the following may be paid:

Matthew Bender	\$298.39
Ohio State Treasurer	\$ 60.00
US Bank	\$ 30.83
South East Ohio Driver Safety Program	\$900.00
Beau Cross	\$317.00
R.R Whitney	\$125.00
Crystal Spring	\$ 20.00
Perry Behavioral Health	\$363.44
County Court	\$ 97.51

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-046- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to request the transfer of \$5,000.00 in appropriated funds from the Commissioner’s General Fund to their account #015-0015-4001.00. Our records show a total of \$5,000.00 was appropriated to SWCD for 2021. The total appropriation is being requested.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-047- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to supplementally appropriate \$2500.00 to agriculture 001-0701-5102.00 in order to pay the Apiary Inspector.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-048- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to transfer \$73,327.35 from fund 272-0272-5301.00 (expense code) to fund 001-0102-4004-00 (receipt code)-Workman’s Comp.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Welsh yea Mr. Bragg yea Motion Carried

21-049- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve a blanket travel request for any and all travel related to this office in 2021.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-050- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to request a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$6,465.00 to account 043-0043-5301.00 Court Security.

Mr. Shriver yea Mr. Bragg yea Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried

21-051-Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

21-052- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to adjourn the commissioners meeting at 4:00pm.

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

Adam Shriver, President

Tom Bragg, Vice-President

Richard Welsh, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk

