

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office May 10, 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

**21-188-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the minutes of May 3, 2021.

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

***Al Eltringham, Maintenance***

-Discussed replacing lighting at Family Practice.

***Heidi Burns, Job and Family Services***

-Walls need sealant.

-Mandated Share for May, 2021 \$3,200.67

-Masks mandate in building discussed.

-Contract with Morgan County Transit for July, 2021—June 2022 for transportation

-Contract with Allwell Behavioral Health Services for July 2021—June 2022 for Life Education & Independent Services

-Beg Bug Update

-Training Requests

- Lexi Huck, Caseworker Core @ SEORTC Athens, Ohio 5/12-5/14/21
- Brooke Hawkins, Caseworker Core @ SEORC Athens, Ohio 5/12-5/14/21

***John Wilt, EMA***

- Continue working with townships on Public Assistance grants from 2019.
- Ohio Emergency Operations Center coordination calls Thursdays at 1300 hours.
- Continue updating Morgan County Resource Guide.
- Coordinating with MCHD on regular basis.
- Continuing to enter 2020 Tier II reporting data into new CAMEO database.
- Received FEMA approval of mitigation plan. Continuing to pursue adoption by villages. Malta has submitted, McConnellsville is doing first reading, Stockport submitted, but needs to correct date, Chesterhill ?.

- Received inquiry about lights on tower in Pennsville. There was a concern that the absence of lights, due to new regulations which permitted the removal of lights, would create a hazardous situation with aeromedical helicopters. Did some research, provided information to Vertical Bridge that manages the tower and they have agreed to re-install a two-tiered lighting system with infrared for night vision. This requires a filing with FAA and will take a little time, but they are committed to do it. In the meantime I provided coordinates , height and direction data to be included in LZ reports for helicopters.
- Submitted FY20 Q3 cash request for payment.
- Had a lengthy conversation with ODNR regarding MARCS radio talkgroups for fire in Morgan County.
- Main computer failed due to fan breakdown with overheat of CPU. Installed new fan and put temperature monitor on system. This was a most of the day process...
- Submitted office hours to post @ office. Approved by commissioners. These will not necessarily reflect work hours spent in the office and will require some flexing due to meetings, incident, etc.

Work Schedule:

Monday 7:30-1630	9
Tuesday 9-3	6
Wednesday 9-3	6
Thursday 9-3	6
Friday -9-11:45	<u>2<sup>3/4</sup></u>
	29.75

***Gary Woodward, Auditor***

-Discussed possibly amending lodging tax resolution. Auditor Woodward is curious as to how the 1% he had been collecting was handled and who gets \$20.00 annual fee.

***Becky Thompson, Dog Warden***

-Dog Report-filed

**21-189-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to supplementally appropriate \$10,000.00 to the EMA 009-0009-5306.00

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

***Shannon Wells, Development Office***

- National Transportation Week May 17-21. Employee appreciation being organized for the week at the transit garage. Mr. White is collecting gift cards from local businesses.
  - ODNR Paddling Enhancement Grant award to Malta Village \$75,000
  - Burr Oak Storybook Trail Ribbon Cutting Wednesday 11:00am.
  - Building Bridges to Careers non profit meetings with school district on Wednesday.
  - Water District Planning Meeting went well.
  - AT&T First Net waiting on quote for transit service.
  - Sunday Creek Meeting Thursday on water/sewer expansion on SR60 info sent
  - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Allocation—three locations \$120,000
  - Ohio Department Natural Resources (ODNR)Natureworks-\$66,000
- Next grants due ODNR Natureworks June 1, CDBG Allocation & Community Housing Improvement Program June 23.

***Steve Hook, Engineer***

**21-190-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to allow Engineer Hook to accept the bid and enter into a contract with Ohio West Virginia on Co. Rd. 46 for pile driving project.

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

**21-191-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to allow Engineer Hook to engage with banks on interest rates for grader.

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

**21-192-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the following:

Whereas, the Morgan County Emergency Management ( EMA) Director, reports directly to the  
Morgan County Commissioners; and

Whereas, the EMA Director job classification was not formally adopted at any time since the creation of the office;

and

Whereas, the Morgan County Commissioners wish to formally assign a job classification to the position of EMA Director; and

Whereas, the EMA office and EMA Director hold a critical position for the well-being and general safety of the citizens of Morgan County, Ohio; and

Whereas, the EMA Director needs to be prepared to respond to an emergency quickly.  
Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Morgan County Commissioners are officially classifying the job of Emergency Management Agency Director as Part-Time; and  
Be it Further Resolved, that the EMA Director will be employed at a maximum of 29.75 hours per week, except during times of emergency and with permission granted explicitly by the Morgan County Commissioners; and  
Be it further resolved, that the EMA Director must provide the County Commissioners with a written copy of office hours and those hours should be posted in a conspicuous place at the office and online for public inspection; and  
Be it further resolved, that the EMA Director be authorized to use the EMA truck for official work duties, including travel from work to home and be subject to all fringe benefit taxes deemed appropriate by the governing body.

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

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**21-193-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the following:

Whereas, the officers and members of American Legion POST #24 of McConnelsville, Ohio are desirous of decorating graves, conducting Memorial Services and otherwise engaging in activities appropriate to the observance of Memorial Day, and

Whereas, Section 307.66 (2503) of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Board of County Commissioners, annually upon the request of any Chapter, Post or Branch of any congressionally chartered veterans' organizations in the county, shall appropriate a sum of money not to exceed five hundred dollars to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day.

Therefore, be it Resolved, that request be and the same is hereby made of the Board of County Commissioners of Morgan County that such an appropriation be made to this POST #24.

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

**21-194-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to approve the following:

Whereas, the officers and members of DAV Chapter No. 145 Disabled American Veterans seek

To decorate graves, conduct memorial services and otherwise engage in activities appropriate to the observance of Memorial Day, and

Whereas, Section 307.66 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Board of County

Commissioners, annually, upon the request of any chapter, post or branch of any

Congressionally chartered veterans organization in the County, shall appropriate a sum of money not to exceed five hundred dollars to aid in defraying the expenses of Memorial

Day.

Now Therefore, be it Resolved, that this request be and the same hereby is made of the Board of

County Commissioners of Morgan County, that an appropriation of five hundred dollars

be made to this Chapter for the purpose herein set forth.

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

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*Jeff Babcock, It Administrator-*

-No Report

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**Transfers, Then & Nows, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications**

**21-195-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to request a line item transfer in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be taken out of insurance line item #028-0028-5366.00 to be put into supply line item #028-0028-5303.00.

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

**21-196-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to requesting supplemental appropriations for the following:

Salary #028-0028-5102.00 in the amount of \$3,000.00

Other #028-0028-5312.00 in the amount of \$7,170.00

Van Maintenance #028-00285305.00 in the amount of \$4,000.00

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

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**21-197-**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**

**21-198-** 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**

