

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office May 24, 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

**21-205-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the minutes of May 17, 2021.

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

***John Wilt, EMA***

- Performed monthly IPAWS (Integrated Public Alert & Warning System) proficiency test.
- Attended EMAO SE Sector meeting in Logan.
- Painter began painting building. I did some prep work by removing all signs and abandoned vent piping that were affixed to structure and removing decals from doors. Discussed scope of work.
- Assisted Sheriff with setup of HyGiene kiosk (temperature and mask recognition device) for Morgan Senior Center
- Received new trailer for mass casualty incidents. This trailer will house inflatable tent, HVAC unit, handicap cots, generator and various other items. (already received most of the other items) Will gather information for trailer license and value of trailer and contents for insurance and will notify Kinder. Currently parked by M&M training tower with permission of Fire Chief JW Finley, will relocate to Health Department once fully loaded and secured.
- Received notice of payment for Ohio EMA for FY20 Q6 EMPG in amount of \$6,919.42, have \$6190.34 remaining for Q7.
- Acquired projector mount for LCD projector in EOC.
- Still need generator backed-up power run to front of building for telephone switch and broadband modem. Currently using an extension cord. Also need 2 generator backed-up circuits run for vaccine refrigerator and freezer. Sheriff has purchased a large LED light fixture to place over the garage door, but the lights over the front and rear door need replaced.
- The American Rescue Plan, which was passed by Congress and signed into law by the President, addresses premium pay for workers who were essential and had to work in a public-facing posture during the pandemic. The bill classifies ‘eligible workers’ as those workers needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as each chief executive officer of a metropolitan city, non-entitlement unit of local government, or county may designate as critical to protect the health and well-being of the residents of their metropolitan city, non-entitlement unit of local government, or county. From the information flowing around the State currently,

Law Enforcement, EMS, EMA, and Child Protective Services personnel are eligible for premium pay using ARP funds. The guidance document from Treasury is not yet finalized. Also, in addition to the \$350 billion allocated directly to local government, the American Rescue Plan also provides additional funding for several grant programs for public safety agencies. They include:

- Assistance to Firefighters Grants – The ARP Provides \$100 million for Assistance to Firefighter Grants and \$200 million for Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grants (SAFER)
- Emergency Management Performance Grant – ARP provides \$100 million to state and local emergency management agencies to help communities address COVID-19 and facilitate vaccine rollout.
- Emergency rural development grants for rural healthcare – ARP provides \$500 million to establish an emergency pilot program within 150 days after the enactment of the American Rescue Plan to increase capacity for vaccine distribution, purchase medical supplies, reimburse lost revenue, increase telehealth capabilities, construct temporary or permanent structures to provide healthcare services, support staffing needs for vaccine administration and testing, and engage in other efforts to support rural healthcare facilities in addressing COVID.

EMA will likely have availability of additional EMPG funding again, but this funding must be matched with local funds dollar for dollar (50% matching grant).

***Heidi Burns, JFS***

-ODJFS Subgrant Agreement for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023

-Adult Protective Services Grant

-Children Services Virtual Reality Goggles

***Shannon Wells, Development Office***

-Transportation Improvement District (TID) Committee approved application for widening SR60 North to three lanes in front of Miba/Mahle. Total project \$1.5M. Need letter of support from commissioners with financial commitment. Commissioners are still considering the letter of support.

-Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Allocation-M&M \$27,000 Stockport VFD \$27,000, The Grove \$66,000

-Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) \$65,494 grant, need \$22,000 local to draw entire grant. Total project cost at the Grove \$153,500 to include new sidewalk, new front entrance, 10 lamp posts.

**21-206-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to WHEREAS, the State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the State of Ohio NatureWorks grant program and

WHEREAS, the Morgan County Commissioners desires financial assistance under the NatureWorks Grant Program, NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Morgan County Commissioners That the Board approves filing this application for financial assistance.

That Shannon Wells, Development Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.

That the Morgan County Commissioners does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the NatureWorks Grant Program.

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

-Transit-Mr. Sampson is out for medical in June for 10 weeks, need temporary supervisor assignment.

-United Way grant-Community Impact Funding 2021 \$5,000 to help with 250 medical trips for those who cannot afford out of county fares.

-Fair Housing-apartments at the old wing slinger building

***Steve Hook, Engineer; Clayton McCoy, Deputy Engineer***

-Annual Report for 2020

-CR 8 has been completed

-CR 15 is out for bid. Bids must be in by June 9, 2021.

***Gary Woodward, Auditor***

-Discussed with the commissioners a meeting he had with Treasurer Williams.

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***Dominic Clano, Southeast Regional Liaison***

-Wanted to make an introduction to the commissioners on behalf of Ohio State Auditor Keith Faber.

-Relief fund money was discussed.

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***Linda Sheets, Senior Center***

-Submitted bills

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***Jeff Babcock, It Administrator-***

-Neither the Sheriff's Office nor Public Transit has a vehicle battery pack to jump start cars with dead batteries. At this time, it is not possible to get the odometer readings from the two vehicles that are ready for auction.

This month's security updates for Windows Server machines installed with no issues. However, there is a new Feature Update available for Windows 10 workstations, version 21H1. This update appears to install without any problems, but will continually notify the user that a reboot is needed to finish the update. After about four or five reboots, the update will finally finishing installing. Troubleshooting is ongoing.

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

**21-207-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to establish a line item 063-0063-5314.00 and a supplemental appropriation of \$24,500.00 for the Mosquito Grant.

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

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**21-208-**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**

**21-209-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to adjourn the commissioners meeting at 4:00pm.

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

**Adam Shriver, President**

**Tom Bragg, Vice-President**

**Richard Welsh, Member**

**Sheila Welch, Clerk**

