

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office June 21, 2021.  
The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

**21-238-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the minutes of June 14, 2021.

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

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

**21-239-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to allow statement of qualifications for Goshen Run Road (CR52):

**Name of Project:** MRG-CR 52-3.82, Goshen Run Road (CR 52) Bridge Replacement  
**PID:** 115390

**Location:** Morgan County Ohio, Marion Twp., Goshen Run Road (CR 52)- (SFN 5834449)

**Description:** The project will replace an existing 51', two span, steel girder bridge over Goshen Creek. The new structure will be based on results of the type study.

**Project Estimate (construction, CE services):** \$899,000.00

**Source of Funding:** ODOT (CEAO LBR) and Local

**Project Schedule:** Anticipated dates for design startup: September 2021

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

*Heidi Burns; JFS*

-Submitted bills

-Mandated Share for June in the amount of \$3,200.67.

-Back to School clothing applications have started and so far there are 297 applications and 549 children. The last day for applications will be Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at South Elementary from 8-6.

-Working jointly with the Health Dept. to have vaccine clinics at the schools while the applications are being done.

-Travel Requests:

- Brooke Hawkins & Lexi Huck 6/29-6/30/2021-CORE III @ SEORTC, Athens
- Heidi Burns 7/6/2021-EODA @ Tuscora Park, New Philadelphia

- Heidi Burns & Kari Schaad 6/24-25 PCSAO Executive Membership Meeting @ Nationwide Conference Center, Lewis Center

\*The commissioners attended a Community Corrections Act Board Meeting.

***John Wilt, EMA***

-Submitted bills

- Ohio Emergency Operations Center coordination calls Thursdays at 1300 hours.
- Continue updating Morgan County Resource Guide.
- Coordinating with MCHD on regular basis.
- Mitigation plan project completed, still need new resolution from Stockport and Chesterhill Village Councils so they will be eligible for grant projects. Printing copies of mitigation plan, but it is available on Ohio EMA Mitigation site at: <https://services.dps.ohio.gov/MIP/PublicSite/LocalPlan/Details/290>
- Attended BRIC (**B**uilding **R**esilience **I**nfrastructure and **C**ommunities) meeting – followed up with State EMA – do not need contractor to complete preapplication for scoping grant, but M&S has notified that they will prepare pre-app gratis.
- Performed required monthly IPAWS (Integrated Public Alert & Warning System) test with FEMA.
- Participated in State After Action Report survey meeting for 2020 COVID response.
- Served as evaluator for Athens County full-scale exercise. This was a whole day event and is a reciprocal action- Directors serve as evaluators for other jurisdictions so they will evaluate for each other as needed.
- Continued working on new trailer for mass casualty incidents. Currently parked by Health Department. Will be picking up additional cots from Muskingum County EMA.
- Attending meeting tomorrow regarding emergency operations planning and evaluation of plans. This is an update to State emergency operational plan evaluation of local plans that is required for ongoing funding.

***Chris Penrose, OSU***

June 2021 Commissioners Report, OSU Extension, Morgan County

Agriculture and Natural Resources Report: Chris Penrose

- Continuing with monthly Master Gardener meetings, we can now meet in person.
- The weekly Farmers Market is off to a good start and the market purchased a vendors license to be able to allow inspected vendors sell fresh eggs and has been inspected by our health department. Vendors continue to increase and more varieties of fresh fruit and vegetables are arriving as the season progresses.

- Continues to write a weekly press release in the Morgan County Herald and published articles in the OSU Extension Beef Team publication and Farm & Dairy.
- Continues to provide farm visits, handles phone and walk-in inquiries.

#### 4-H Report: Lydia Flores

- Finished up Quality Assurance training on June 10 with Chris and Rachel.
- Provided resources and attended market livestock tag in on Saturday, June 12.
- I have joined the statewide ag health and safety team, and I am writing two articles for them: one on zoonotic diseases and the other about kids on farms.
- Finished up volunteer training on child abuse and neglect on June 17.
- Junior fair board members are finalizing trophy orders and royalty awards.
- 4-H project judging is set to take place on Wednesday, July 7 at the fairgrounds.

#### 4-H Report: Pam

- Older Youth In-training have completed the plans for 4-H Cloverbud Day Camp on July 12th at Camp Hervida. It is the first time Cloverbud Day Camp has been held at Camp Hervida. A great day has been planned.
- 4-H Camp Counselor/Counselor In-Training have completed the plans for 4-H Day Camps July 13th at Camp Hervida, July 15th at the fairgrounds, and July 16th at the fairgrounds. We want to thank the Senior Fair for allowing the use of the fairgrounds and all their support for 4-H Program and Extension Office. They are always supportive, but they have been especially helpful during the pandemic.
- We are excited to say that 4-H Riding Therapy is on target to get started July 8th. Application packets are available for participants at the Extension Office, and due back to the office by June 25th.
- We are excited that 4 youth taking 4-H Horse projects have decided to participate in PAS Horse shows to attempt to qualify for State Fair. We wish them all good luck.

#### Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Updates:

- Pam Montgomery completed tested (3) pressure canners this month. Individuals that missed the June date can still register for the July 19th testing by calling the office or at this link <http://go.osu.edu/2021cannertestingmorgan>.
- Pam Montgomery continues to review curriculum and attend state trainings in preparing to bring additional FCS programming to the county.
- The next Successful Co-Parenting program is scheduled for July 19th 9:30 am – 12 pm and individual can call the office at 740-962-4854 to register.

Other Updates:

- We are sad to say good-bye to Rachel Larimer, Program Assistant 4-H/ANR. We hope to start the process to rehire this part-time
- Reminder the OSU Extension Office is now open daily 8 am to 4:30 pm and we will lock the doors as the last agency in the building daily.

\*The commissioners left the office for a road viewing at 11:00am and returned at 11:30am.

**21-240-** Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the following:

*To the honorable Board of County Commissioners of Morgan County, Ohio;*

*The undersigned petitioners, freeholders of said county, residing in the vicinity of the proposed improvement hereinafter described, respectfully, represent that the public convenience and welfare require the vacation of a portion of TR-196 (Fox Hunter Road) and order proper proceedings in the premises, for vacating such road; the same being a road on the State Highway System.*

Township Road 196 (Fox Hunter Rd) is located in Section 13 of Malta Township. Beginning in the center of Township Rd 196 (Fox Hunter Rd) approximately 0.932 mile north of its intersection of County Road 56 (Poplar Ridge Rd), thence from this place of beginning , in the northeasterly direction along the centerline and old centerline (slip area) of Township Road 196 (Fox Hunter Rd) 1726 feet (0.327 mile) to the intersection of intended to vacate all the right -of-way of Township Road 196 (Fox Hunter Road) on north end for 0.327 mile, adjourning Township Road 195 (Oil Springs Road).

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

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

- The e-mail problem where incoming messages from certain domains were being rejected has

been found and temporarily resolved. The problem stemmed from an incorrect MX entry on the Cloudflare proxy servers that provided distributed denial of service (DDoS) protection for the County's website. The County's website is very low risk for DDoS attacks, but the protection was required by the Ohio Secretary of State prior to the 2020 Election.

The router that Spectrum installed with the Internet speed upgrade appears to have lost the static IP address. This is preventing remote access to the Riecker Building network for certain partner companies. Troubleshooting is ongoing.

The IT Director met with DJH Computers about a rewiring project at the Courthouse. The data and phone wiring in the Courthouse is in dire need of an upgrade. DJH Computers can run new wiring, but they will need a map of the Courthouse and a location of where network/phone drops will be placed.

An AC unit on the second floor of the Courthouse is leaking and has rotted the floor out from under it. Ables HVAC will look into repairing the damage and provide an estimate to the Facilities Officer.

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

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**21-241-**Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve payment of bills. \*See attached\*

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

**21-242-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to adjourn the commissioners meeting at 4:00pm.

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

**Adam Shriver, President**

**Tom Bragg, Vice-President**

**Richard Welsh, Member**

**Sheila Welch, Clerk**



