

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office September 7 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

21-350- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the minutes of August 30, 2021.

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

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

21-351- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to appoint Shannon Wells to the EODA (Eastern Ohio Development Alliance) Board of Directors. The term is from January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2023.

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

Heidi Burns, JFS

-Submitted bills & Timesheet

-Updates regarding masks/covid/public closure/work from home

-Children Services open positions—doing interviews this week

-Fairbooth is up (10-6 M-F and various hours Sat.)

-Mandated Share for September, 2021--\$3,297.50

-White noise machines for sound barrier

-Kinship Navigator Program Contract—Washington Morgan Community Action \$50,000

-Travel Requests

- Lexi Huck 9/22-9/23 SEORTC @ Athens—CORE IV Classroom
- Lexi Huck 9/28-9/29 SEORTC @ Athens—CORE IV Lab
- Carrie DeWinter 9/30 SEORTC @ Athens—Anger & Teens

Randy Williams, Treasurer

-Contract with Citizen's Bank on rates for county funds.

Steve Hook, Engineer; Clayton McCoy, Deputy Engineer

-Bid Opening for Chesterhill Community Center

G&M \$424,999.00

21-352- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to table the Chesterhill Community Center bid for review by Engineer and Chesterhill Village Council.

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

Shannon Wells, Development Office

- Chesterhill FY2019 Neighborhood Revitalization—Community Center rebid.
- ARC Meeting with Buckeye Hills at 1:30pm.
- OH GIG agreement.
- Septic nomination form for 2022 submitted.
- Burr Oak interconnect with Morgan Meigsville Rural Water District.
- Small business inquires (Misty Bragg, Mark Brunton, Jane Cavarozzi).
- Transit—technical assistance review by ODOT (audit)
- Fair booths for Development, Transit and Mobility Management.
- Chesterhill sewer—continuing to accept applications.

-The commissioners attended an ARC meeting with Melissa Zoler. Hard to fund projects for Morgan County was discussed.

Steve Hook, Engineer

21-353- Motion by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Welsh to declare a trailer excess property and allow Engineer Hook to sell at his discretion.

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

21-354- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to grant Engineer Hook permission to purchase a Holl-back trailer.

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

Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

- The title for County Court's old car was transferred to the Morgan County Commissioners so that it can be reassigned to another office.

After reading FBI reports, it appears that a recent ransomware attack in this area was accomplished with the HIVE ransomware. This particular form of ransomware first steals the data, then encrypts it. If the victim does not pay the ransom, the attackers will release the data to the public. Since the data stolen is sensitive, it adds another layer of complexity when debating whether to pay the ransom or not. This strain of ransomware usually comes via malicious attachments or links inside an e-mail. County e-mail users were reminded to be vigilant when opening attachments and links in e-mail.

The IT Director will remove the individual e-mail addresses from the County's web pages to prevent scanning tools from easily finding and logging employees' e-mail addresses. Office or collective e-mail addresses will remain on the website.

Transfers, Then & Nows, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

-None-

21-355-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

21-356- 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

