

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Monday, May 2, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

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

22-190- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the minutes of April 25, 2022.

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

The commissioners did the following over the past week:

-Mr. Bragg and Mrs. Wells attended an Appalachia Ohio meeting with Governor DeWine on Thursday.

Mark Howdyshell, Prosecutor

-Wanted to make the commissioners aware that the county property 669 is starting to become overrun with garbage from neighbor. Mr. Howdyshell recommended markers need to be made to determine where property line is. Commissioner Welsh said he would get with Engineer to identify property line.

22-191- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the following American Legion Post #24:

Whereas, the officers and members of American Legion #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 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 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 for the purposes herein set forth.

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

22-192-Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the following DAV Chapter No. 145:

Whereas, the officers and members of DAV Chapter No. 145 Disabled American Veterans 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 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 request be in the same is hereby made of Board of County Commissioners of Morgan County that such an appropriation be made to this Chapter for the purpose herein set forth.

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

Heidi Burns, Job and Family Services

-Heidi Burns was appointed to represent East Central Direct on the PCSAO's Board of Trustees.

-Travel Request

- Cathy Apperson—Annual JFS Conference at Columbus on 5/17—5/19

-COG (Council of Government) meeting reminder

-Mandated Share—May 2022 \$3,297.50

-Kate Dugan, CVB President

-The commissioners provided a proposal to the CVB regarding their ARPA request of \$100,000 from April 18th, The CVB will meet in May and respond to the proposal following the meeting. They were going to give the CVB a variety of options and allow the CVB to decide how they want to spend the funds. The CVB is looking to have events to promote Morgan County.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

-Dog Report-filed

Shannon Wells, Development Office

A resolution is requested to approve entering into a contract with King Future Builders for \$12,500 for the replacement of one septic system located at 2175 SR555 West Chesterhill, Ohio 43728. All approved contractors registered with the Morgan County Health Department were solicited for prices and one quote was received for the project.

Shannon Wells attended a virtual meeting on Monday, April 25, 2022 with Buckeye Hills Regional Council. The meeting was to discuss the Community Economic Development Strategy plan for the region. This plan included goals and objectives centered around five core topics for the region: Broadband Deployment, Infrastructure Support, Asset Utilization, Workforce, and Economic Diversification.

Shannon Wells attended a meeting at the Ohio University Innovation Center on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 with Buckeye Hills Regional Council and consultant Steadfast City Economic & Community Partners. The meeting covered the following:

- The goals of the Opportunity Zone program
- What you need to know about the types of projects, investments, and investors that align with Opportunity Zones
- Building your community's Opportunity Zone coalition
- Identifying and vetting projects
- Coordinating resources and public-private partnerships
- Creating your project pitch
- How Opportunity Zones can be leveraged for improvements to infrastructure, including broadband, water, and roads.

Shannon Wells and the OSU Extension office met with a local dairy farmer on April 28, 2022 to discuss a business expansion project.

Shannon Wells and Commissioner Tom Bragg attended the Governor's Appalachian Ohio announcement meeting on April 28, 2022 at Peoples Bank Theater in Marietta. The Governor announced a \$500 million set aside for the 32 Appalachian counties to be used on projects including downtown revitalization, outdoor recreation, broadband, workforce development and community-based services.

Ohio Department of Development has requested a full grant application for \$250,000 be submitted for a roof replacement project for the Union Hall community building in the Village of Chesterhill.

22-193- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to enter into a contract with King Future Builders for \$12,500 for the replacement of one septic system located at 2175 SR555 West Chesterhill, Ohio 43728. All approved contractors registered with the Morgan County Health Department were solicited for prices and one quote was received for the project.

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

-Mr. Shriver exited the commissioner meeting.

22-194- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Bragg to entering into a contract with Singree Construction for \$ 16,080 for the Home Sewage Treatment System Program Contract 20-1C-2 for the replacement of one septic system. This resolution will be contingent upon funding.

The following addresses will be provided services:

3420 N. Parmiter Rd McConnelsville, OH 43756

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

-Commissioners attended a C.O.G. meeting in Caldwell from 11:30am—2:00pm.

Cheryl Kintz, Jackie Cunningham, Cindi Karp, Tammy Ray; P.A.W.W.S.

-The P.A.W.W.S. had many complaints over the current dog pound and dog warden. P.A.W.W.S. would like to volunteer to assist with the dog pound.

22-195- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to reappoint Tony Mayle Jr. to a 4-year term on the Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Directors effective July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2026.

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

Transfers, Then & Nows, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

22-196- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to establish a new revenue and expense line item in the 085 Revolving Loan Fund

Septic Client Percentage: 085-0085-4007-00

Septic Client Percentage Expense: 085-0085-5371-00

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

22-197-Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

22-198- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to recess the commissioner's meeting at 4:00pm.

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

Tom Bragg, President

Adam Shriver, Vice-President

Richard Welsh, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk

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