

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Monday, March 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Adam Shriver, President  
Richard Welsh, Vice-President  
Cecil Mayle, Member

**23-113-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve the minutes of March 13, 2023.

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

The commissioners did the following over the past week:

- Tuesday, Commissioner Shriver attended a Board of Revisions in addition to a TAC meeting.
- Commissioner Mayle attended an LAPC meeting Wednesday.

***Beth Schneider, Concerned Citizen***

-Inquired about a piece of property that she would like cleaned up adjacent to her property. She has spoken to the previous as well as the current auditor. She was told to speak to the prosecutor to potentially get the property rolled into the land bank. Before she went to Prosecutor Howdyshell, she wanted to make the commissioners aware of the situation.

***Alan Eltringham, Pound Keeper***

-Submitted sheet-filed

***Chris Penrose, OSU Extension***

Sophia Whisman, 4-H Educator, held the first session of volunteer training, attended Junior Fair board and Senior Fair board meetings, provided an afterschool program for East and West Elementary about Birds of Prey, went to East and South Elementary to promote the 4-H program before our enrollment deadline, and held an older youth in training and junior leader meeting to plan for Cloverbud STEM days. She was on WHIZ -TV talking about enrolling in 4-H, had a meeting with surrounding areas 4-H educators to share ideas for 2023, attended an onboarding meeting in Columbus, was interviewed by the Herald, held a sale committee meeting, attended the 4-H volunteer conference in Columbus, provided our last volunteer training, and attended a training in Columbus to get certified to teach kids yoga.

Pam Montgomery, 4-H Educator and Area Leader, assisted Sophia with the 4-H Volunteer 2023 training update and 4-H promotions at East and South Elementary Schools. In addition, she started doing school enrichment programming at East Elementary in the 5th grade classes on team building. The first CARTEENS program of 2023 was held on February 28. She attended a training on 4-H Yoga to refresh her skills on this topic. Camp counselors and counselors-in-training continue to have monthly trainings as they prepare for the 2023 4-H Camp scheduled for July 11-14, at Camp Hervida. The monthly Successful Co-Parenting program was recently held and the next class is scheduled for April 11. Pam has been working on meeting with staff members of Area 19 to complete their performance reviews. She continues to attend staff meetings regularly in all four counties.

Betsy Ellingsworth, the Snap-Ed Program Assistant has just completed her series of nutrition programming with students at Morgan East Elementary. She recently began programming at Morgan West Elementary School. She is also beginning a series for new moms at Mary's House in Stockport. She concluded the Savory Soup series at the Senior Center where there was an active group there to participate. On March 1, she went to the food distribution sites in Stockport and Chesterhill, and on March 8, to Malta to hand out recipes that were geared to items given in commodity boxes and that were diabetic specific. She has had meetings this past month with community partners to plan programming throughout the spring, summer and into the fall. She and Pam Montgomery went to the Family and Children's First Council meeting on March 10. She has also begun her 16-week course, Navigating for Success, with other new SNAP-Ed professionals throughout the state.

Chris Penrose, Ag Educator, organized and taught at the regional Cow-Calf School on February 20. Garth Ruff, Extension Beef Specialist and Ted Wiseman, Perry Co. Ag Educator also taught at the school. A special debt of gratitude goes to the Clemens's family for hosting the event. Chris also provided two gardening programs and pesticide training for new applicators. He also had three farm visits, and articles in the *Morgan County Herald*, Beef Team Newsletter, and Ohio Cattlemen's and Ohio Country Journal magazines. He also wants to note that there will be a Veterinarian Roundtable meeting on Monday, April 3, 7 p.m. at Morgan H.S. with emphasis on the new antibiotic regulations occurring in June. Call the Extension office at 740-962-4954 for a reservation. Finally, the Farmers Market planning meeting will be on April 10, 6 p.m. at the

Extension office. If you are interested in selling at the market, you are encouraged to attend. The market starts, May 25, at the Main St. Church of Christ parking lot.

***Becky Thompson, Dog Warden***

-Submitted dog report-filed

***Shannon Wells, Development Office***

Lawncare quotes were received for the 2023 mowing season for the following county property: public transit, health department and dog pound. Prices submitted were as follows:

<u>Contractor's</u>	<u>Health Dept.</u>	<u>Transit</u>	<u>Dog Pound</u>
Adams Lawn Care	\$180.00	\$155.00	N/A
David Garrett	\$100.00	\$125.00	N/A
Earich's Lawn Care LLC	\$140.00	\$120.00	\$65.00
Norman Lawn Care LLC	\$150.00	\$200.00	\$50.00
Robert Welsh Mowing Service	\$140.00	\$170.00	\$90.00

(Contact the lowest quotes & move forward. The lowest quotes provided all documentation and insurance as well.)

Federal appropriation requests submitted to Congressman Balderson's office last week for Stockport sanitary sewer line replacement. Malta water well and Burr Oak waterline expansion. Several letters of support were gathered and submitted with each project.

Shannon Wells submitted a grant application for the Ohio Site Readiness Grant on March 17, 2023 to Ohio SE. This is a grant that could help with the development of property. (775 acres) owned by Ohio Franklin Realty located on SR607.

Shannon Wells Shannon Wells created a new record in the JobsOhio database of eligible properties for sale in Ohio for economic development. The record is for the 775 acre tract located on SR607 owned by Ohio Franklin Realty A purchase option has been received from AEP to sell this property for economic development purposes only.

A tax incentive Review Committee Meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2023 at 2:00pm in the Economic Development Conference Room. The tax abatements for Miba Sinter, Malta Industrial and Atlantic Emergency will be reviewed.

Shannon Wells met with consultant Jay Bennett on March 17, 2023 to discuss next steps on the ARC Power grant. Letters of Support are due March 24, 2023.

Shannon Wells submitted a Request for Proposals for internet service providers in targeted areas of Morgan County in the Morgan County Herald. It is also available on [www.morgancounty-oh.gov](http://www.morgancounty-oh.gov). The deadline to respond is March 23, 2023.

-The commissioners left the office for an alley viewing at 11:00am

-The commissioner had the hearing for the ally/road closure at 1:30pm.

**23-114-**Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the following:

The commissioners met in regular session and made the motion stating:

Being located in the State of Ohio, County of Morgan, Township of Meigsville, Township 10, Range 11, Section 17,

Beginning at the present-day intersection of State Route 60 (south of McConnellsville) and Township Road 896 (Mautz Lane), thence from this place of beginning in an easterly and southeasterly course, following the centerline of said Township Road 896 (Mautz Lane) for 0.133 mile. The road of the right of way is to be turned over to the landowner.

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

***Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator***

-Reported on activities over the past week.

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

**23-115-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to bore under CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 84, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-116-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 3, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-117-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 3, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-118-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 3, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-119-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 3, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-120-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 3, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-121-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 10, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-122-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 10, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-123-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to grant permission to AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc to span over CR56, located in Township of Malta, Section No. 10, Morgan County, Ohio

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

**23-124-**Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve payment of bills. \*See attached\*

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

**23-125-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to recess the commissioners meeting on Monday, March 20, 2023 at 4:00pm.

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

**23-126-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to reconvene the commissioners meeting on Monday, March 20, 2023 at 6:30pm.

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

-The commissioners attended a DAC meeting located in the Community Room.

**23-127-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to recess the commissioners meeting March 20, 2023 at 7:30pm.

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

**Adam Shriver, President**

**Richard Welsh, Vice-President**

**Cecil Mayle, Member**

**Sheila Welch, Clerk**











