

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Monday, May 22, 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

**23-215-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve the minutes of May 15, 2023.

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

The commissioners did the following over the past week:

- All three commissioners attended the CIC meeting Thursday.
- Commissioner Mayle attended a Community Action meeting.
- Commissioner Mayle, Welsh and Commissioner Shriver attended the Planning Commission meeting Tuesday. Commissioner Mayle attended the MARCS meeting Wednesday.
- Commissioners Shriver and Mayle attended ODOT meeting on Thursday.
- Commissioner Mayle also attended Career Day at the Morgan Jr. High School.

***Steve Hook, Engineer***

**21-216-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the purchase of a 2006 Ford truck in the amount of \$5,000 from Brandon Wheeland Ford

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

***Alan Eltringham, Pound Keeper***

- Submitted report

***Al Eltringham, Reicker Maintenance***

- Discussed the events of last week.

***Heidi Burns, JFS***

- Workforce Development Board Member to replace Michele Blackburn---still looking
- Levy
- ADA Checklist for 1<sup>st</sup> floor
- Bridges Out of Poverty Event

- Attended HOFNOD Saturday
- Going to High School this evening for Career Technical Stakeholders meeting
- PRC Biennial Renew Stakeholder meeting planned for July 26<sup>th</sup>
- Back to School clothing applications start next week

***John Wilt, 911; EMA***

EMA/OHS Report to Commissioners, 5/22/2023

- Ohio Emergency Operations Center coordination calls Thursdays at 1300 hours
- Working with a group of impacted individuals and MARCS regarding radio issues in Morgan County. MARCS will be going over the Wolf Creek tower with a fine-toothed comb as soon as today. We are also considering different ways we could partner with an existing tower or identify sites and funding for a tower. MARCS feels that if we can provide an acceptable site they could probably provide the radio equipment.
- Final planning meeting for LEPC Exercise is Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 10:00AM. Exercise is June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- As I will be on vacation from 5/27 through 6/4, I will be completing the planning and logistics for the exercise prior to leaving town. This includes the location for the exercise and the arrangements for food.
- Received notification from State of approval of payment for EMPG FY2022 Q6 cash requests in amount of \$7,034.55, which is Federal 50% share of \$14,069.10.
- Attended Southeast Ohio Region EMA Director's meeting in Chillicothe.

9-1-1 Report to Commissioners, 5/22/2023

- Have held continued multiple discussions with ComTech, Ohio 9-1-1 office and partner counties regarding the system bridge solution to extend the useful life of the core in the SOCC. All counties have verbally committed and 3 have submitted signed MOAs. The final cost for the project is \$29,820.89. As previously reported, we have to pay the initial bill as we hold the contract with ComTech, but our final cost will be \$4970.15 after recovery from partner counties. I am waiting on a Statement of Work and schedule of when project will kick off.
- The partner counties liability for charges for prior years remains unsettled. I have again requested invoices from ComTech showing the breakdown of our annual invoices splitting out the costs related to the core at the SOCC and our PSAP costs.

- Submitted the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), National 9-1-1 Program Office report that is due today. As part of the preparation of the report I obtained copies of past reports filed for Morgan County. They were all incomplete and contained incorrect information.
- The issue of EMD dispatching continues to be an issue for which I continue to struggle for an answer. EMD dispatching is not occurring but is not an option under State law.
- Attended the NENA/APCO quarterly meeting.
- Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 1:00 there will be an introduction/demonstration of the Solacom 9-1-1 call-taking solution at the EMA offices. All are welcome to attend.
- The issue of ORC 307.63, which is often quoted by the Sheriff purporting to give the Sheriff control of 9-1-1 does not do so. There is actually an Ohio Attorney's General opinion that addresses this issue. The public safety communications system referenced in ORC 307.63 specifically does not include the 9-1-1 system. It applies to only to facilities, equipment and services that helps to provide immediate information exchange of police, fire and EMS information – in other words, a radio system.
- Computers are set for upgrade- waiting on Jeff Babcock to schedule with WestTel- they will not have to come here to do so- can lead him through it over the phone.
- We had a fiber failure due to cut on Tuesday, 5/9/23. This was the Spectrum fiber that feeds the Sheriff's Office. The fail-over fiber did not function correctly which resulted in all 9-1-1 calls being routed to FD. In conjunction with ComTech we are investigating the failure of the fail-over line. It appears that there may be a malfunctioning router at FD. Marty from ComTech will be here Wednesday afternoon.

***Shannon Wells, Development Office***

-The Grove Park project and Union Hall bid dates have been moved to May 30, 2023 at 1:00pm.

-Shannon Wells provided testimony at the at the Ohio Statehouse to the Senate Finance Committee regarding House Bill 33 on behalf of the ODNR operating budget request on May 18, 2023.

-Shannon Wells is working on Stockport and Malta CDBG pre-application due June 1, 2023.

**23-217**-Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve King's Future Builders to preform septic repairs at the following addresses is requested. Kings Future Builders was the only contractor to submit a quote.

Septic Installation	3077 Kidd Lane McConnelsville, OH 43756	6621 n. St. Rt. 60 McConnelsville, OH 43756	3445 St. Rt. 266 Stockport, OH 43787	Total
Champion Services	-			\$0.00
D&L Drilling	-			\$0.00
Beagle Hill Services LLC	-			\$0.00
Fouss Septic Systems	-			\$0.00
Johns Excavating	-			\$0.00
Kings Future Builders	\$5,600.00	\$3,176.00	\$5,150.00	\$13,926.00
LM Excavating	-			\$0.00
Fleming's Excavating & Utilities	-			\$0.00
Muskingum Site Services	-			\$0.00
Newberry Excavating	-			\$0.00
Zemba	-			\$0.00
Masterson Complete	-			\$0.00
Shriver Septic & Excavation	-			\$0.00
Singree Construction	-			\$0.00
Wilkins Excavating	-			\$0.00

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

**23-218-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to enter executive session with Shannon Wells at 10:46am pursuant to ORC 121.22 section (G)(1) Employment, Personnel.

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

**23-219-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to exit executive session with Shannon Wells at 11:30am pursuant to ORC 121.22 section (G)(1) Employment, Personnel.

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

**23-220-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve the following:

At the May 22,2023 commissioner meeting, a motion by Mr. Welsh and Seconded by Mr. Mayle to affirm the commissioner's intent to place a renewal levy of 3mill levy on the November 7, 2023 general election ballot for the purpose of ambulance service for five years commencing in 2024 tax year, first collected in 2025.

\*See attachment A

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

***Steve Hook, Engineer***

-Discussed the landbank as well as citizen's unpaid taxes.

**23-221-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$400,000 to the ARPA line item 321-0321-5301-00.

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

**23-222-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve a transfer in the amount of \$400,000 from ARPA line item 321-0321-5301-00 to Engineer line item 004-0004-4011-00.

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

***Kate Dugan; Wendy Gorrell, CVB***

-Presented a dissolution letter to commissioners from the Morgan County CVB. The commissioner will now be in control of the Tourism Office

***Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator***

-Gave report over last week's events.

***Shelby Wahl, Senior Center***

-Discussed Spectrum.

-Made commissioners aware she has made a decision as to who she would like to offer homemaker position to.

-Discussed discounted/free mowing service for seniors.

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

**23-223-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to grant permission to American Electric Power Co. to bore under CR CR—42, located in Township on PENN, Morgan County, Ohio.

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

**23-224-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to grant permission to American Electric Power Co. to span over CR CR—94 located in the Township of Malta, Morgan County, Ohio.

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

**23-225-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to transfer from 063-0063-5102.00 salaries \$10,000.00 to 063-0063-5305.00 contract repair and please adjust PO #23-29885. Transfer from 063-0063-5102.00 salaries \$3,000.00 to 063-0063-5309 and please adjust PO #23-29910.

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

**23-226-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Mayle to transfer \$1,000.00 001-0207-5323.00 (visiting judge) to 001-0207-5309.00 (other expenses)

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

**23-227-**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**

**23-228-** Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to adjourn the commissioners meeting on Monday, May , 2023 at 4:00pm.

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

**Adam Shriver, President**

**Richard Welsh, Vice-President**

**Cecil Mayle, Member**

**Sheila Welch, Clerk**

Attachment A:



***Morgan County  
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Adam Shriver  
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At the May 15, 2023 commissioner meeting, a motion by Mr. Welsh and Seconded by Mr. Mayle of the commissioner's intent for the renewal of a three mill levy on the November 7, 2023 general election ballot for the purpose of ambulance service for 5 years commencing in 2024 tax year, first collected in 2025.

Respectfully,




Adam Shriver, President

Richard Welsh, Vice President

Cecil Mayle, Member

RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE  
TEN-MIL LIMITATION – RC 5705.191

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MORGAN COUNTY, OHIO, met in Regular session on May 15, 2023, at the office of the Commissioners, with the following members present:

  
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Commissioner Welsh moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MORGAN COUNTY, OHIO, that,

WHEREAS it is the determination of the Board of County Commissioners that the amount of tax within the ten-mill limitation of levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide the necessary requirements for the purpose of ambulance service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provision of R.C. 5705.191, The Board of Commissioners, Morgan County, Ohio, hereby declare it necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation for the purpose of ambulance service, and to submit to the electors said tax levy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such levy shall be at a rate not to exceed three (3) mill for each one dollar of tax valuation which amounts to thirty cents (0.30) for each hundred dollars of tax valuation for a period of five (5) years commencing with the tax year 2024 first due in calendar year 2025 for the purpose of ambulance service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County, Ohio be and is hereby directed to submit the issue of said tax levy to the electors of Morgan County, Ohio at the election to be held on November 7, 2023, said date being the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November as a Renewal levy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County, is hereby directed to immediately obtain a Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue from the Morgan County Auditor prior to certifying this levy to the Morgan County Board of Elections.



Commissioner Mayle seconded the Resolution, and the roll call vote resulted as follows:

<u>Adal Shwari</u>	<u>YEA</u>
<u>Phil Welch</u>	<u>YOA</u>
<u>Kevin Mayle</u>	<u>YEA</u>

ADOPTED the 15th day of May, 2023.

Sheila Walsh  
Clerk of Board of Morgan County Commissioners

Resolution # 23-210

## Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue

Use this form when a taxing authority certifies a millage rate and requests the revenue produced by that rate.

DTE 140R  
Rev. 01/23  
R.C. 5705.01, 5705.03

The county auditor of Morgan County, Ohio, does hereby certify the following:

1. On May 15, 2023, the taxing authority of the Morgan County (political subdivision name) certified a copy of its resolution or ordinance adopted May 15, 2023, requesting the county auditor to certify the current taxable value of the subdivision and the amount of revenue that would be produced by (3.000) mills, to levy a tax outside the 10-mill limitation for ambulance service purposes pursuant to Revised Code § 5705.19, to be placed on the ballot at the November 7, 2023, election. The levy type is Renewal.
2. The property tax revenue that will be produced by the stated millage, assuming the taxable value of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$ 1,202,000.
3. The total taxable value of the subdivision used in calculating the estimated property tax revenue is \$ 443,241,050.
4. The millage for the requested levy is (3.000) mills per \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$ 105 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value.

Randy Wilhain  
Auditor's signature

May 16, 2023  
Date

### Instructions

1. "Total taxable value" includes the taxable value of all real property in the subdivision as indicated on the tax list most recently certified for collection and estimates of the taxable value of public utility personal property for the first year the levy will be collected as set forth on the worksheets prescribed in conjunction with this form. If the subdivision is located in more than one county, the home county auditor (where the greatest taxable value of the subdivision is located) shall obtain the assistance of the other county auditors to establish the total tax valuation of the subdivision.
2. For purposes of this certification, "subdivision" includes any agency, board, commission or other authority authorized to request a taxing authority to submit a tax levy on its behalf. See R.C. 5705.01(A) & (C).
3. "Levy type" includes the following: (1) additional, (2) renewal, (3) renewal with an increase, (4) renewal with a decrease, (5) replacement, (6) replacement with an increase and (7) replacement with a decrease levies.
4. In completing Lines 1 and 4 of this form, mills should be identified in whole numbers, i.e., 5 mills, rather than as a fraction of a dollar, i.e., \$0.005. This expression is consistent with the prior practice of identifying mills in whole numbers per \$1 of valuation.
5. "The county auditor's appraised value" means the true value in money of real property. R.C. 5705.01(P).
6. For any levy or portion of a levy, an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the auditor to the county budget commission. R.C. 5705.03(B).
7. Please file this certificate with the subdivision as soon as possible, so the taxing authority can pass a resolution to proceed not later than 90 days before the election.



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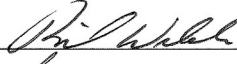

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BE IT Further RESOLVED, the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County, is hereby directed to immediately certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections of Morgan County, Ohio prior to the date of August 9,2023.

Mr. Mayle seconded the Resolution, and the roll call vote resulted as follows:

<u>Adas Shurin</u>	<u>YEA</u>
<u>Phil White</u>	<u>YEA</u>
<u>Kevin Mayle</u>	<u>YEA</u>

ADOPTED the 22th day of May, 2023.

Sheila White  
Clerk of Board of Morgan County Commissioners

Resolution # 23-220

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