

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RIECKER BUILDING**

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

**23-525-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the minutes of November 13, 2023

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

The commissioners did the following over the past week:

-On Tuesday, all three commissioners attended virtual meeting with the Auditor of State to discuss Next Gen 911 funding.

-Also, within the week, Commissioner Shriver traveled to Zanesville to attend One Ohio Region 12 Board Meeting.

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***Al Eltringham, Reicker Maintenance***

-Westfall Building and Doors, replaced bottom covers at the garage and still waiting for the 2 remote control units

-Window replacement and staining completed on old side of building, still waiting for last 14 windows to be installed in Development Offices, Work Force Offices and JFS Directors

-Office all windows and screens were delivered 11-1-23. Work should start Monday 11-20-23

-Garbage Disposal in Senior Nutrition kitchen leaking. Apperson's ordered part 10-19-23

-Pierce Electric installed the new lamp post at the Grove Park and holes dug for the new entry way. 11-14-23

-Received Pricing from J&E Distributors for cleaning supplies and will place first order Monday 11-20-23

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***Heidi Burns, JFS***

-Travel Requests

- Devan Vincent/Amy Moore to Athens for Career Pathways training on 11/15
  - Mongold Contract—CPS
  - ASPIRE update
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***John Wilt, EMA; 911***

- Ohio Emergency Operations Center coordination calls Thursdays at 1300 hours
- Continue to work with MARCS to get information regarding SBA tower information.
- Still working on preparing RFP for Mitigation Plan update. Required to submit now for grant funding, plan expires 2025.
- Continuous review and revision of Emergency Operations Plans.
- HyperReach agreement secured, service begins 1/1/2024. Sheriff's Office telecommunicators will receive training for use.

**9-1-1 Report to Commissioners, 11/20/2023**

- Haven't had much luck with getting at-large trustee and at-large Village Council members. The committee must, by statute, prepare a "Final Plan" regarding Morgan County 9-1-1 that must be ratified by resolution by all sub-jurisdictions and submitted to State by April 4th.
- Sundance CAD – Sheriff and I will be visiting Columbiana and Hardin Counties to get their evaluation of Sundance CAD as both counties are using it. We may also visit Pike County as they are implementing it now.
- There have been several issues with call handling and routing, and we have addressed each of these as they arose.
- I continue to evaluate 9-1-1 calls. There are some statutory issue that need addressed such as call transfer procedures. I would like to establish standard operating procedures (SOPs) for Morgan County 9-1-1, but I am unsure under what authority to do so.
- Continuing to research old unused data lines that we continue to be charged for. Once firmly established that these are no longer in use, we will shut them down.
- We continue to have mapping issues, both with Google maps and with the County GIS system. As you are aware, we had a particular issue with an address in Pennsville. While the dispatch of resources was messed up due to dispatcher error, it did "open a can of

worms” where mapping is concerned. The Engineer’s office is continuing to work with Google to correct errors in the mapping with little cooperation. There are some discrepancies between the Auditor’s information and the Engineer’s maps as well.

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***Chris Penrose, OSU Extension***

October 9th-13th Sophia Whisman and Pam Montgomery attended the national 4-H conference in Pittsburg, PA and they learned new things to they will use to enhance the 4-H program. In addition, Pam, Sophia, and Amy Kirkbride put together the 4-H calendar for the upcoming year. Sophia attended a Senior Fair Board meeting discussing the positives of the fair and any potential changes needing to be made and has started working on getting everything to be ready for the older youth programs and new volunteers for 2024. Pam notes that 2024 Camp Counselor applications are available online and November 20th is the deadline to submit. The final 2023 CARTEENS program is scheduled for November 14th.

Pam reported that the final Successful Co-Parenting program for 2023 is scheduled for November 14th from 9:30 AM-12 PM. Individuals interested in the program can call the office to register. Pam is also working on the 2024 Family and Consumer Sciences parenting program schedule and plans to finalize it by the end of November.

Pam, as Area Leader continues to meet with staff in all four counties (Morgan, Muskingum, Perry, and Washington). She is excited to report that a Family and Consumer Science Extension Educator has been hired for Muskingum County, Alexis Masterson, a Morgan County 4-H Alumni.

Chris Penrose attended the Farm Science Review where he provided education at the Extension Beef Information tent. The Farmers Market concludes this week (October 26th) and has had by all accounts the best season ever. He also had a presentation on Forages at the Ohio Polled Herford Association Annual Banquet in Noble County in October.

The Master Gardeners have been active with monthly meetings, the Fall Educational Series that was open to the public and held at the library, and the Fall Plant Sale that was at the Farmers Market on September 28th.

Plans have also been finalized for the December 4th Cattleman's meeting, and after the first of the year, pesticide recertification, a multi-county Agronomy meeting, and Master Gardener training for new volunteers. Call for more information.

***Steve Hook, Engineer; John Telesz, Deputy Engineer***

-Went over changes made in their contract. Some of the changes have been made with time off, raises, and uniforms. The commissioners approved changes in the contract.

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***Danny Ray, Morgan-Meigsville Water Board***

The commissioners discussed the Water Board expectations and projects with Mr. Ray. Mr. Ray explained he is planning to provide a more active role as a member of the Morgan-Meigsville Water Board.

**23-526-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and second by Mr. Mayle to appoint Mr. Ray to the Morgan-Meigsville Water Board beginning January 1, 2024.

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

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***Roger Calendine; Morgan-Meigsville Water Board***

Mr. Calendine discussed ongoing water projects, including water project on 669 He also noted that funding and easements are issues when it comes to completing projects. Commissioners urged him to work diligently as possible on the water projects as they are a major priority to them.

**23-527-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and second by Mr. Mayle to appoint Mr. Calendine to the Morgan-Meigsville Water Board beginning January 1, 2024.

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

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***Shannon Wells, Development Office***

Shannon Wells and Commissioner Shriver attended a meeting on November 15, 2023 at the Village of McConnelsville office with American Structure Point and MS Consultants. The

meeting was to discuss projects and design for the Appalachian Community Grant Program that is due in December.

Shannon Wells met with John Hensler, from ODOT Jobs & Commence on November 16, 2023 to look at business roadway projects for Morgan County.

A meeting is scheduled for November 21, 2023 at 1pm with Sunday Creek Horizons to discuss the Ohio Brownfield and Demo programs.

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***Becky Thompson, Dog Warden***

-Submitted report

-Full report can be found online at:

[https://www.morgancounty-oh.gov/dog\\_warden\\_reports.html](https://www.morgancounty-oh.gov/dog_warden_reports.html)

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The commissioners held a Special Purpose Flood Damage Resolution Public Hearing in their Office at 1:00pm.

The following were present: Dean Blackburn, John Telesz, Adam Shriver, Cecil Mayle, Richard Welsh and Sheila Welch.

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**23-527-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the intent for an additional of .5 mill levy on the March 19, 2024 primary election ballot for the Morgan County for (5) 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**

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**23-528-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and second by Mr. Mayle to forgive the advance made in 2019 to the Dog and Kennel Fund (005 fund) from the General Fund (001-1501-5309.00) which was done in order to finance a building for a dog pound. (Res. 19-389, Res.19-365, 19-366).

See Attachment B

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

***Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator***

-Mr. Babcock is currently working on updating the county phone list records.

**Transfers, Then & Now's, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications**

**23-529-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer the following:

- \$8.08 from supplies line item 001-0301-5303
- \$100.00 from equipment line item 001-0301-5304
- \$50.00 from repair line item 001-0301-5305
- \$349.82 from travel line item 001-0301-5307
- \$180.00 from poll worker salaries line item 001-0301-5103
- \$297.19 from other expenses line item 001-0301-5309
- \$830.18 from advertising & printing line item 001-0301-5308

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

**23-530-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer funds within the following accounts:

From	To	Amount
001-0903-5303.00	001-0903-5322.00	\$1,000.00
001-0903-5304.00	001-0903-5322.00	\$1,320.00
001-0903-5307.00	001-0903-5322.00	\$2,753.44
001-0903-5305.00	001-0903-5322.00	\$3,708.38

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

**23-531-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer the following:

\$6,000.00 from contract services line item 001-0301-5306 to employees' salaries line item 001-0301-5102.

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

**23-532-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and second by Mr. Mayle to approve the following supplemental appropriations for fund 085 Revolving Loan Fund:

Other expense:        085-0085-5309.00     \$70,000.00

Please add this amount to the Purchase Order 23-29806

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

**23-533-** Motion by Mr. Shriver and second by Mr. Mayle to approve the following supplemental appropriations for the 309 Morgan County Department of Tourism Fund:

Miscellaneous Operating Expense:    309-0309-5302.00     \$5,000.00

Please add this supplemental to Purchase Order# 23-30012

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

**23-534-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer from 006-0066-5102.00 salaries \$160.00 to 066-0066-5301.00 water samples and please adjust PO#23-29901.

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

**23-535-** Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to add an additional line item to the 084 fund: 084-0084-5306.00 Contracts

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

**23-536-**Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve payment of bills. \*See attached\*

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

**23-537-**Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to adjourn the commissioner meeting on November 20, 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**

See Attachment A



***Morgan County  
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At the November 20, 2023, commissioner meeting, a motion by Mr. Mayle and Seconded by Mr. Welsh of intent for a additional of .5 mill levy on the March 19, 2024 primary election ballot for the Morgan County Office on Aging for the purpose of providing services to senior citizens of Morgan County for five (5) years commencing in 2024 tax year, first collected in 2025.

Resolution# 23-530

Respectfully,

Adam Shriver, President

Adam Shriver

Richard Welsh, Vice President

Richard Welsh




Cecil Mayle, Member

Cecil Mayle



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 November 20, 2023, at the office of the Commissioners, with the following members present:

  
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Commissioner Cecil Mayle 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 Morgan County Office on Aging providing services to the residents of Morgan County.

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 Morgan County Office on Aging providing services to the senior citizens of Morgan County, and to submit to the electors said tax levy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such levy shall be at a rate not to exceed one-half (.5) mill for each one dollar of tax valuation which amounts to five cents 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 Morgan County Office on Aging providing services to the senior citizens of Morgan County.

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 March 19, 2024, said date being the third Tuesday after the first Monday in March as an additional of 0.5 mills 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 before certifying a copy of this levy to the Morgan County Board of Elections.

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

<u>Adam Shuman</u>	<u>YEA</u>
<u>Richard Welsh</u>	<u>YEA</u>
<u>Kevin Mayle</u>	<u>YEA</u>

ADOPTED the 20 th day of November, 2023.

Sheila Welch  
Clerk of Board of Morgan County Commissioners

Resolution # 23-530

See Attachment B



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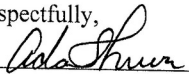
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Respectfully,

  
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Cecil Mayle, Member

