

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Tuesday, January 2, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 8:30am with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

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

24-001- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the minutes of December 26, 2023.

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

Al Eltringham, Reicker Maintenance

1. Window replacement nearing end, need to do a walk through with G&M
2. Scheduled Advance Heating & Cooling to repair VAV's in the basement (JFS) 1-2-24
3. Able's Heating and Cooling replaced the 40 Amp Contactor on the Courthouse first floor Westside air handler. 12-29-23
4. John Taggart will be up to look at the pickup truck and see what repairs are needed to get it running. The vehicle won't start and not getting fuel, possible fuel pump replacement needed.

Heidi Burns, JFS Director

-2024 milage rates, Federal rate is \$.67 in 2024

24-002-Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve the following CPS MOU resolution:

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners do hereby resolve that: Pursuant to 2151.4225 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of Morgan County Commissioners have reviewed and approved the Morgan County Memorandum of Understanding. The Morgan County Memorandum of Understanding meets the requirements under sections 2151.4220 to 2151.4222of the Ohio Revised Code.

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

23-003- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the following resolution for CSEA to perform allowable TANF or IM activities:

Whereas, the Child Support Enforcement Agency of Morgan County performs allowable TANF or Income Maintenance activities to assist low-income, non-custodial parents to increase the ability to meet their child support obligations;

Whereas, in order to properly access these funds for the purpose, the funds must be transferred from the Public Assistance Fund (006) in which they are received from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services into the Child Support Enforcement Fund (090) on a quarterly basis.

Therefore, we the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County do hereby grant to this Director of Morgan County Department of Job and Family Services, the authority to approve the transfer of money from the PA Fund to the CSEA Fund December 31, 2024.

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

24-004- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve the following resolution for PCSA to perform allowable PA activities:

Whereas, the Public Children Services Agency of Morgan County performs allowable PA activities for the purpose of meeting the expenses for providing Children Services per Section 5101.144 of the Ohio Revised Code. Funding included is as follows:

1. Child, Family, &7 Adult Community and Protective Services (OAC 5101:9-5-12.4(D))
2. Title XX Base (OAC 5101:9-6-12; 5101:2-25-01(S); 5101:2-25-02)
3. Title XX TANF Transfer (OAC 5101:9-6-12; 5101:9-6-12.1;5101:2-25-01(S);5101;2-25-02)
4. Social Services Operating (OAC 5101:9-6-10(E))
5. TANF Admin (OAC 5101:9-6-08.8(E);PRC Reference Guide)
6. TANF Regular (OAC 5101:9-6-08(G): PRC Reference Guide)

Whereas, in order to properly access these funds for this purpose, the funds must be transferred from the Public Assistance Fund (006) in which they are received from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services into the Public Children Services Fund (050) on a quarterly basis.

Therefore, we the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County do hereby grant to the Director of Morgan County Department of Job and Family Services, the authority to approve the transfer of money from the PA Fund through December 31, 2024.

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

John Wilt, EMA;911

- Ohio Emergency Operations Center coordination calls Thursdays at 1300 hours
- LEPC Meeting will be held Wednesday, January 10th, 11:30 a.m. at EOC.
- 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.
- State sent notice for single audit if County expended more than \$750,000 in Federal financial assistance.

9-1-1 Report to Commissioners, 1/02/2024

- Working with State to determine our actual status under OAC 128.06.
§128.06 (A) Counties that have more than one Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) unless you meet the requirements in (B)
 1. A member of the board of county commissioners, or a designee, who shall serve as chairperson of the committee;
 2. The chief executive officer of the most populous municipal corporation in the county; a. When determining population under division (A)(2) of this section, population residing outside the county shall be excluded.
 3. A member of the board of township trustees of the most populous township in the county as selected by majority vote of the board of trustees;
 4. A member of a board of township trustees selected by the majority of boards of township trustees in the county pursuant to resolutions they adopt;
 5. A member of the legislative authority of a municipal corporation in the county selected by the majority of the legislative authorities of municipal corporations in the county pursuant to resolutions they adopt;

6. An elected official from within the county appointed by the board of county commissioners.

~~§128.06 (B) Counties that have fewer than five (5) township, population greater than seven hundred and fifty thousand (750,000), which contain more than one PSAP~~

§128.06 (C) In counties that contain only one PSAP, the composition of the 9-1-1 review committee shall consist of three members as follows: 2) If the PSAP is operated by the board of county commissioners, then the board of county commissioners shall serve as the 9-1-1 program review committee.

- Sundance CAD – Visits pending
- STILL 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.
- ComTech / State 911 office notified us that our changeover date to State Core will be August 26th. We will be the first county on the new core.
- Emergency Communications Committee -

Shannon Wells, Development Office

A state capital budget request was submitted to the office of State Representative Jay Edwards on December 29, 2023 for \$1,000,000 for the renovation work needed for a new 911 operations center.

Burgess & Niple was the only submittal received for the request for qualifications to perform environmental remediation and risk assessments for the Ohio Brownfield program. Their submission was reviewed and is recommended to move forward.

A lodging partner meeting is scheduled in the Riecker Building Community Room for February 29, 2024 at 6pm for all the Morgan County lodging partners. Bed tax letters were mailed to 22 new property owners last week advertising on Airbnb and VRBO.

Shannon Wells will meet with Mark Howdysshell January 3, 2024 to discuss bed tax resolution updates and land bank details.

2024 Appointments & Hires

24-005- Motion by Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to appoint Mr. Mayle as President of the Board of Commissioners for the calendar year of 2024.

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

23-006- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Welsh to appoint Mr. Shriver as Vice-President of the Board of Commissioners for the calendar year of 2024.

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

24-007- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to designate Mr. Mayle as the official representative and Mr. Shriver as the alternate for the purpose of voting at the annual meeting of the county commissioner's association of Ohio in 2024. The following resolution was approved:

Whereas Article IV, Section 6, of the Code of Regulations of the County Commissioners' Association of Ohio requires each member county to, for the purpose of voting of any annual or special meeting of the Association, designate an Official Representative and alternate; and

Whereas, the designation of the Official Representative and Alternate for a county organized under the statutory for of county government shall be by resolution of the board of county commissioners; and

Whereas, is designating the Official Representative and Alternative only a member of the board of county commissioners is eligible to be designated as the Official Representative and Alternate;

Now Therefore Be it Resolved; that Cecil Mayle, County Commissioner is designated as the Official Voting Representative of Morgan County.

Be it Further Resolved, that Adam Shriver is designated as the Alternate Voting Representative of Morgan County.

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

24-008- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the following boards for the calendar year 2024:

Adam Shriver: Buckeye Hills Development District Board

Buckeye Hills-Hocking Valley Executive Committee

Area on Aging

Council on Aging

Richard Welsh: Muskingum Watershed Conservancy Board

District Advisory Council

Family and Children First Council

EMA Mitigation Planning

Cecil Mayle: Buckeye Joint County Insurance Council

Southeastern Ohio Joint Jail Board

United Way

Worker's Compensation Committee

Washington-Morgan County Community Action Board

All three Commissioners serve on the following boards:

EMA Terrorism Committee

Southeast Ohio Solid Waste Committee

Workforce Investment Board, Council of Government

Morgan County Planning Commission

LEPC

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

24-009- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to reemploy Mrs. Becky Thompson as Dog Warden for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-010- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reemploy Mrs. Elizabeth Kidd as Pound Keeper for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-011- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to reemploy Mrs. Sheila Welch as Commissioner's Clerk for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-012- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reemploy Mrs. Shannon Wells Prevailing Wage Officer.

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

24-013- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to reemploy Mr. Alan Eltringham as Riecker Maintenance for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-014- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reemploy Mr. Bryan Sharkey as Courthouse Maintenance for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-015- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve .65 cents per mile reimbursement rate for Morgan County employees using personal vehicles for Morgan County business for the calendar year of 2024.

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

24-016- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to establish office hours for regular session commissioners' meetings for Monday 8:30am to 4:00pm, unless a holiday falls on Monday in which case the commissioners meeting would fall on Tuesday, and they will meet on Thursday 8:30am to 12:00pm as needed.

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

24-017- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to approve 2024 holidays as follows:

New Year's Day	Monday January 1, 2024
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Monday January 15, 2024
President's Day	Monday February 19, 2024
Memorial Day	Monday May 27, 2024
Juneteenth Day	Wednesday June 19, 2024
Independence Day	Thursday July 4, 2024
Labor Day	Monday September 2, 2024
Columbus Day	Monday October 14, 2024
Veteran's Day	Monday November 11, 2024
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday November 28, 2024
Friday after Thanksgiving	Friday November 29, 2024
Christmas Eve	Tuesday December 24, 2024
Christmas Day	Wednesday December 25, 2024

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

24-018- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to allow Engineer Hook to perform duties over county roads in the calendar year 2024.

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

24-019- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to reemploy Mrs. Patricia Harris as Morgan County Apiary Inspector for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-020- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reemploy Mr. John Wilt as EMA Director for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-021- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to limit public comments to 10 minutes for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-022- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reemploy Mr. John Wilt as Interim 911 Coordinator for the calendar year 2024.

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

24-023- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to reemploy Mr. David Parrett as coroner for the calendar year 2024.

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

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

-Submitted report

-Full report can be found online at:

https://www.morgancounty-oh.gov/dog_warden_reports.html

Steve Hook, Engineer

24-024- Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to open an escrow account in the amount of \$35,400.00.

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

Amber Wilson, Senior Citizens Director

-Discussed the signs for the levy that were recently purchased.

Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

-Mr. Babcock will be setting up a computer for the new Office Manager at Transit.

Transfers, Then & Nows, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

24-025- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to supplementally appropriate \$9,740.01 to line item #048-0048-5301 (grant expenses which is the remaining amount of unused grant funds from the SOS FOR Cyber Security (Directive 2023-16) implementation to the Morgan County Board of Elections.

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

24-026-Motion by Mr. Mayle and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve payment of bills. *See attached*

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

24-027-Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Mayle to adjourn the commissioner meeting on January 2, at 4:00pm.

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

Cecil Mayle, President

Adam Shriver, Vice-President

Richard Welsh, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk

