

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

The Board of Morgan County Commissioners met in their office Monday, May 13, 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

24-249- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the minutes of May 6, 2024.

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

The commissioners did the following over the past week:

Commissioner Mayle attended a Community Action meeting on Monday. He also attended a Jail Board meeting on Tuesday.

Al Eltringham, Reicker Maintenance

-Mowing scheduled for Thursday each week. All mowing completed 4-25-24

-Scott from G&M Construction was at the Courthouse and repairing the falling plaster in the offices on the second-floor east side, 4 offices in total. 4-4-24, As of 4-19-24 still not finished

- Scheduled Toyota Van for service and to replace tire air sensors and check out the engine light 5-3-24

-After rechecking every window that was replaced by G&M they still owe us (1) window screen on the second floor in the hallway, Scott stopped and measured the one window and called the company that made the screens and gave them the measurement to make 1 more screen 4-23-24.

-Called Westfall Buildings and Doors to look at the outside switches at the garage. The down button isn't working properly. They will be sending a quote for replacement of both outside switches. Still awaiting quote 5-10-24

-The Commons was the place that didn't get mowed this week due to the rain.

-Meet with Tori Gable about removing old mulch and some dirt around the Monument at the -
Grove Park, will start that project next week.

-We were able to get the Courthouse clock back up and operating and also found an online
Maintenance instruction manual for repairs and periodic maintenance and lubricating all gears
and components.

-I called Eric Clopoy at American light bulbs at the Courthouse and he is having a hard time
finding the old T-12 bulbs required. His suggestion was to convert to LED.

Randy Williams, Auditor

24-250- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the following resolution.

*See Attachment A

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

Heidi Burns, JFS

-Mandated share for May, 2024

-County credit card policy

-Awarded a grant (Treatment Foster Home Pilot) as part of a three-county in our District.
Partnering with Belmont and Jefferson County.

-New rule possibly increasing food assistance determination from 185% to 200% of FPL.

Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

The Sheriff's Office sold nine vehicles from their impound lot on GovDeals. The
vehicles were put on the auction site on April 26, 2024. The auction ended on May
10, 2024 with all vehicles being sold.

The Treasurer's office had previously asked how to handle recordings of meetings
made with an artificial intelligence (AI) voice recorder with respect to records
retention and public records requests. The answer is that they are handled just as
normal voice recordings are handled. The Commissioners' office treats voice

recordings as transient notes, to be retained until they are no longer of administrative value. It was recommended that the Treasurer's office amend their records retention schedule (RC-2) accordingly.

Mystie Long, Pound Keeper

-Submitted report

-Full report can be found online at:

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

-Currently the pound is full (10 dogs). A situation occurred where dogs were taken from owner by the dog pound assistant. They should only be taken by Dog Warden. This was explained to the pound keeper.

Shannon Wells, Development Office

-Shannon Wells attended the Appalachian Community Grant Program award announcement in Marietta on May 6, 2024. Over \$10 million in projects were announced for the Village of McConnelsville for streetscape and waterfront improvements.

-Shannon Wells and Traci Baker continue to administer the Lead Safe Ohio grant. 11 homes have signed contracts with contractors to move their projects forward.

-A staff meeting will be held at the transit facility May 14, 2024 at 6pm.

-ARC pre-applications are due May 31, 2024. Morgan County is listed as an at-risk county and is eligible for 70% grants on projects that meet the ARC guidelines. A 30% match is required.

-Shannon Wells and Traci Baker met with Lise Sibicky to review the next steps in the Economic Development Administration process to bid SR60 water.

ODOT submitted the buyout request for the building on 37 S. 5th St. to the FTA on May 6, 2024.

Sheriff McGrath

-Brought a vehicle title for the commissioners to sign.

John Wilt, EMA; 911

Discussed EMS services. Discussed the possibility of placing a levy on the ballot next year to fund 911 and emergency services communications.

Becky Thompson, Dog Warden

- Submitted report
 - Full report can be found online at:
https://www.morgancounty-oh.gov/dog_warden_reports.html
 - Discussed issues she has with the dog pound.
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Adam Triplett, Veterans Office

- Discussed health insurance and stipends for employees who declined insurance coverage.
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Amber Wilson, Senior Citizen Director

- Discussed ARPA senior citizen grant
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- Discussed the new voucher system for summer produce/farmer's market.
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24-251-- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to allow the Auditor and Deputy Auditor to approve the payment requests in Software Solutions VIP for the Morgan County Commissioners.

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

Transfers, Then & Nows, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

- None-
- 24-252-**Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve payment of bills. *See attached***Mr. Mayle yea, Mr. Shriver yea, Mr. Welsh yea Motion Carried**

24-253- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to recess the commissioner meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2024 at 4:00pm.

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

24-254- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reconvene the commissioners meeting Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 4:00pm for a CIC meeting.

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

24-255- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to adjourn the commissioner meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 5:00pm.

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

Cecil Mayle, President

Adam Shriver, Vice-President

Richard Welsh, Member

Sheila Welch, Clerk

Attachment A:

(Resolution/Ordinance No. **24-140**) PID No. **115554**

FINAL RESOLUTION

The following Final Resolution enacted by the Board of County Commissioners, County of **Morgan**, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Legislative Authority/Local Public Agency or "LPA", in the matter of the stated described project.

WHEREAS, on **18th day of March 2024**, the LPA enacted legislation proposing cooperation with the Director of Transportation for the described project:

The project consists of improvements to Triadelphia Road (C.R. 3) in Morgan County from S.L.M. 0.00 to S.L.M. 7.62 from the Morgan/Perry County line to S.R. 37 and Stub Road NE (C.R. 46) from S.L.M. 0.00 to S.L.M. 0.2 2 at the intersection of S.R. 555 NE in Perry County to the Perry/Morgan County line including resurfacing with an asphalt concrete overlay, pavement repair, shoulder paving and pavement markings, lying within Morgan County; and

WHEREAS, the LPA shall cooperate with the Director of Transportation in the above described project as follows:

The County agrees to assume and bear one hundred percent (100%) of the entire cost of the improvement, less the amount of Federal-Aid funds set aside by the Director of Transportation for the financing of this improvement from funds allocated by the Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

The share of the cost of the LPA is now estimated in the amount of **Four Hundred Thirty-One Thousand One Hundred and - - - 00/100 Dollars, (\$431,100.00)**, but said estimated amount is to be adjusted in order that the LPA's ultimate share of said improvement shall correspond with said percentages of actual costs when said actual costs are determined; and

WHEREAS, The Director of Transportation has approved said legislation proposing cooperation and has caused to be made plans and specifications and an estimate of cost and expense for improving the above described highway and has transmitted copies of the same to this legislative authority; and

WHEREAS, The LPA desires the Director of Transportation to proceed with the aforesaid highway improvement.

PID No. **115554**

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved:

I. That the estimated sum, of **Four Hundred Thirty-One Thousand One Hundred and - - - - 00/100 Dollars, (\$431,100.00)** is hereby appropriated for the improvement described above and the fiscal officer is hereby authorized and directed to issue an order on the treasurer for said sum upon the requisition of the Director of Transportation to pay the cost and expense of said improvement. We hereby agree to assume in the first instance, the share of the cost and expense over and above the amount to be paid from **Federal** funds.

II. That the LPA hereby requests the Director of Transportation to proceed with the aforesaid highway improvement.

III. That the LPA enter into a contract with the State, and that the **County Engineer** be, and is hereby authorized to execute said contract, providing for the payment of the LPA the sum of money set forth herein above for improving the described project.

IV. That the LPA transmit to the Director of Transportation a fully executed copy of this Resolution.

This is to certify that we have compared the foregoing copy of Resolution with the original record thereof, found in the record of the proceedings of the LPA, and which Resolution was duly passed by the LPA on the 13 day of May 2024, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the record of said Resolution and the action of said LPA thereon.

We further certify that said Resolution and the action of said LPA thereon is recorded in the journal of said LPA in Volume 24-250 at Page 162 and under date of May 13, 2024.

