

**MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RIECKER BUILDING**

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

24-598- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the minutes of November 25, 2024.

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

The commissioners did the following over the past week:

-No Report

A Records Retention meeting was held in the commissioner's office with Commissioner Mayle, Commissioner Welsh, Jeff Babcock, Auditor Williams and Carma Johnson in attendance.

Al Eltringham, Riecker Maintenance

Preparing the old Cub Cadet mower and Snow blower to be declared excess to put on Gov Deals. 8-1-24 Awaiting equipment to be listed on GOV Deals.

Advance H/C found that RTU 3 K-11 compressor 1 has a shorted -out thermostat winding. The compressor will need to be replaced, Advanced will be sending a quote. 8-6-24.

Parts have been ordered for the John Deere tractor for the Safety Recall (Brake Rod Bell Crank) 10-28-24

Trombold Equipment Company was called to repair the Grinder Pump in the basement, because the High-Water Level Alarm was sounding non stop. The Lag Alarm Float was non-operational causing the system to not shut off. That float was replaced and upon further inspection of the Pumps, pump number 2 (two) has a broken discharge pipe and Pump 1 (one) has a cracked discharge pipe. They will be sending a quote to replace both pipes and reschedule to replace

them. As of today 11-21-24, only Pump one is operational. This is a priority because if the last pump fails, JFS will be shut down since you can't run any water in the basement without it.

Both Flagstaffs in the Community Room need to be replaced, the one with the American flag was broken over the weekend from one of the two rentals. Eagles replaced 11-27-24

Received the Quote from Trombold too repair the Grinder Pump in the Basement. The cost with parts and Labor will be \$1800. We are currently running on one pump, which has a cracked discharge pipe. 11-26-24

Steve Hook, Engineer; John Telez, Deputy Engineer

Hiring and Budget Constraints

The discussion revolved around hiring challenges due to budget constraints. It was also mentioned a job offer was sent to a client and the difficulty of hiring someone for \$50,000.

Concern was expressed about hiring a county employee that will soon no longer be employed with the county. Uncertainty about his effectiveness was cited. They discussed the possibility of working together on training and tax map updates.

No conclusion reached on hiring Doug or resolving budget constraints.

Budget and Cost Allocation

The conversation touches on budget planning and cost allocation. It is discussed the importance of budget documents for departmental cost allocation. They mention the role of various offices in managing finances and the need for understanding the cost allocation plan.

No clear conclusion on how to proceed with budget and cost allocation

Heidi Burns, JFS

Heidi Timesheet

OVER Networking—Joint COG/WDB Meeting and Elected Official reception

Meeting with Health Department rewarding the Homemaker Contract

Travel Requests

- Heidi Burns to Cambridge 12/ for ECODA Meeting
- Heidi Burns and Keri Schaad to Lewis Center 12-5-6 for PCSAO Execs
- Heidi Burns to Lewis Center 12-12-13 for JFS Execs

John Wilt, EMA/911

- Ohio Emergency Operations Center coordination calls monthly on 3rd Thursdays at 1300 hours
- Continuous review and revision of Emergency Operations Plans.
- Completed WebEOC drill
- Working with MCHD on their tabletop exercise scheduled for January 16th. Providing attendee information and will serve as the facilitator for the exercise.
- Contacting contractors for the mitigation plan process. Grant funding in place.
- Participated in evidence destruction with Sheriff's Office/Prosecutor

9-1-1 Report to Commissioners, 12/2/2024

- Continuing to work with Interaction Insight, Sundance and ComTech on technical issues with integration.
- Weekly Readiness Call with ComTech 11/19 and 11/26 – They have not given a firm implementation date.
- Continue working with APCO for Intellicomm implementation, guidecard review, training, etc. Implementation call 11/19. Cg. Deputy Fisher, Captain Woodward and myself continue working through the guidecards.
- Had administrative training for Sundance CAD for Fisher, Roberts, and myself. Entering backend data for January implementation.
- SO now has 9 FT and 1 PT telecommunicators. Seeking 1 more FT telecommunicators and 2 supervisory staff.
- Working through some call routing issues with ComTech, WestTel, Verizon, AT&T and Centurylink.
- Meeting with County fire chiefs on Thursday, December 5th. 5 of 6 Chiefs have responded, 4 will attend. This will serve as data gathering meeting for 9-1-1 and information session for the Chiefs.

Julie Gridley, Pound Keeper; Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

Laptop and Printer Issues

Discussion on updating or replacing an old Windows 10 laptop, which is not charging properly.

There was consideration of purchasing a new laptop, possibly during sales, and checking options.

Printer issues related to network connectivity were also discussed.

Network and Router Problems

The network issue where the laptop loses connection when the printer is connected was

discussed. It was suggested that the router might be faulty and that Spectrum should be contacted to inspect it.

Donation of Laptop

There was consideration of asking the owner to donate a laptop. Discussion on the specifications needed, such as an i5 processor or better, and the requirement for Windows 11.

Unused Computers at Learning Center

Discussion about 22 computers at the Learning Center that cannot be used due to funding restrictions. Only three are in use, and the rest are sitting unused.

Julie Gridley, Pound Keeper

Sick Dog and Feeding

Discussed a sick stray dog and feeding routines. There are concerns about the dog's health and are feeding it three times a day, mixing dry and canned food. The commissioners suggested feeding twice a day for budget reasons.

Volunteer and Staffing

Mentioned the help from volunteers and discussed staffing issues, including a worker's tardiness and the need for documentation. Discussed the flexibility of hours for a part-time worker as well. The commissioners encouraged her to document tardiness and manage part-time worker hours effectively.

Dog Adoption and Sponsorship

Discussed revising the pound application process, requiring references and home visits. The commissioner and Mrs. Gridley also discussed a sponsorship check for dogs and how to allocate it.

Facility Maintenance and Improvements

Discussion about facility maintenance, including mowing, pest control, and gate donations. Mrs. Gridley mentioned needing a quote for door repairs. Currently awaiting a quote for door repairs.

Shannon Wells, Development Office

One bid was received from Mark Murphy for \$450.00 for the purchase and removal of the old shipping container on the transit property at 900 S. Riverside Dr. McConnelsville.

Ohio/SE/JobsOhio will sponsor a luncheon for commissioners and CIC December 16th for an economic development update and get to know OhioSE/JobsOhio session.

Shannon Wells submitted a Transportation alternative Program (TAP) grant for the Village of McConnelsville. The McConnelsville project will be multi-use asphalt walkway on SR60 North of the roundabout to the village limits. The cost estimate was received at \$605,625.00. The grant will pay 100% of construction and 80% design with the village covering the remaining 20%.

A sheriff sale will be held on December 13, 2024 for various property.

Amber Wilson, Senior Citizens Director

-Holiday Dinner will be held December 11, 2024 at 12:00pm.

Jeff Babcock, IT Administrator

The IT Director discussed the purchase of new computers with the Clerk of Courts. The Windows 10 operating system will reach its end-of-life on October 2025. All Windows 10 computers will need to be upgraded or replaced by that date or they will no longer receive updates. All computers in use by the Clerk of Court's office are currently using Windows 10 and cannot be upgraded to Windows 11. The Clerk of Courts noted that she has money from the State for her Title Division that can be used for the purchase of new computers, so she will be able to replace all of her older computers in the coming year.

There are several IT-related issues at the Morgan County Dog Pound. The Spectrum provided router was not allowing Internet access for any new devices. Once it was rebooted, it was working fine. Spectrum may have to come to replace the device. The laptop in use at the Pound will also need to be replaced. It is using Windows 10, so it will need to be replaced by October of 2025; but given how slow it is running, it should be replaced sooner than that. The printer may also need to be replaced. The IT Director will provide the Commissioners with a quote for both a laptop and printer at the Pound.

The Auditor's main printer – which is shared with the Commissioners' office – was out of service for most the morning on December 2, 2024. Given the necessity to print financial items for the Auditor's office, the IT Director offered up the printer

from his office. Though it is older, it is still working well and not getting used very much in its current location.

Transfers, Then & Now, Supplemental Appropriations & Utility Applications

24-599- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to grant permission to Osmose Utilities Services Inc. to span over CR 74, located in the Township of Deerfield, Section No. 22, Morgan County, Ohio.

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

24-600-- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to grant permission to Osmose Utilities Services Inc. to span over CR 82, located in the Township of Marian, Section No. 17&16, Morgan County Ohio.

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

24-601- Motion by Mr. Shriver and seconded by Mr. Welsh to approve the following remaining of expense line item:

Account Number:	From:	To:
010-0010-5102.00	Salary	Salary—Admin
010-0010-5367.00	PERS	PERS—Admin
010-0010-5368.00	Medicare	Medicare—Admin

Please approve the establishment of the following expense lines:

Account Number:	Name:
010-0010-5102.01	Salary—Employee
010-0010-5367.01	PERS—Employee
010-0010-5368.01	Medicare—Employee
Account Number:	Name:
010-0010-5371.00	Insurance
010-0010-5369.00	Worker’s Compensation

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

24-602- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to transfer the following:

\$1,020.97 from supplies line item 001-0301-5303.00

\$ 28.70 from travel line item 011-0301-5307.00

\$ 884.16 from other expenses line item 001-0301-5309.00

\$ 942.26 from advertising and printing line item 011-0301-5308.00

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

24-603- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$1,895.00 from the line item 001-0301-4003.00 (receipts & reimbursements) to line item 001-0301-5306.00 contract services which is reimbursement for monies spent for DATA ACT 2025 for Morgan County Board of Elections.

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

24-604- 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

24-605- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to recess the commissioners meeting December 2, 2024 at 4:00pm

24-606- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to reconvene for budget hearings Wednesday at 11:00am.

24-607- Motion by Mr. Welsh and seconded by Mr. Shriver to adjourn the commissioners meeting from budget hearings Wednesday December 2, 2024 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

