Morgan County Commission Meeting July 16, 2015

Members present:

President Bradley Close Commissioner Robert Ford Commissioner Joel Tuttle

Commissioner Bradley Close, President, was attending a meeting at the Pines Opportunity Center and arrived to the Commission meeting at 10:00 am.

Also Present:

Jody McClintock, County Administrator; Ginger Johnson, Commission Secretary; Randolph Unger; Bobby Unger; Ron Martin; Terry Linn; Mark Bayliss and Carl Blevins

The meeting was opened at 9:30 a.m. by Debra Kesecker, Honorable County Clerk

Administration Items

Approval to hire replacement employee in Sheriff's Tax Office

On a Bob Ford/Joel Tuttle motion, the County Commission approves the hiring of Joann King to begin full time employment to replace the vacancy of an employee out on un-paid sick leave. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Estate of Betty Jean Unger

Debra Kesecker, Honorable County Clerk presented a letter to the Commission from Bowles & Rice, Attorneys at Law regarding the Estate of Betty Jean Unger. After reviewing the letter and finding out the estate has never been closed, the Commission suggests Mr. DeJarnett, Bowles & Rice, Attorneys at Law, petition the court to have a new Executor of the Estate be appointed.

President Close arrived to the meeting.

Action Items

Deputy Tim Stapleton- Approval to appoint Bailiff for Home Confinement programOn a Bob Ford/Joel Tuttle motion, the County Commission appoints Bailiff Steve Moreland as the Home Confinement Supervisor for the Home Confinement program. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Mark Bayliss (FCC- Federal Communications System appointee)- Morgan County Towers and Future Broadband

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Mark Bayliss approached the Commission for a discussion on what the Federal Communications System authorizes in regards to cell towers. The County Commission thanked Mr. Bayliss for his time.

Moratorium for Cell Towers

Commissioner Ford explained that there are entities wanting to use the current cell towers in Morgan County. Commissioner Ford explained that he would like to allow 60 days for the county to review the current contracts and gather information on the towers before a decision is made. On a Bob Ford/Joel Tuttle motion, the County Commission gives a moratorium of 60 days for any decision on new companies to place equipment on the existing towers in Morgan County. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

On a Bob Ford/Joel Tuttle motion, the County Commission approves the consent agenda. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Administrator's Report

Approval to hire part time per diem Animal Control Officer

On a Joel Tuttle/Bob Ford motion, the County Commission approves the request to hire Devon Gageby as a Part Time Per Diem Animal Control Officer effective July 17, 2015. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Work session

Department Classifications and salaries

The County Commission discussed department classifications and salaries for the needed construction work at the Pines Opportunity Center. The Commission will further discuss and have a work session with the Elected Officials to get their input at the special Commission meeting scheduled for July 22, 2015.

Chief Deputy for County Clerk's Office

Debra Kesecker, Honorable County Clerk, explained that she has not hired a Chief Deputy and she has had a vacancy for a while. Ms. Kesecker requested the Commission approve current employee Heather Tyler to be her Chief Deputy.

On a Joel Tuttle/Bob Ford motion, the County Commission approves Heather Tyler becoming Chief Deputy for the County Clerk with an annual salary increase of \$2000. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Recess

On a Joel Tuttle/Bob Ford motion, the County Commission made a motion to recess the meeting. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

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