

**Morgan County Commission Meeting  
June 16, 2016**

**Members present:**

President Bradley Close  
Commissioner Robert Ford  
Commissioner Joel Tuttle

**Also Present:**

Ginger Johnson, Commission Secretary; Ron Martin; Lori Kiley; Tom Kiley; Jack Soronen; Barb Wolfe; Trish Strader and Kate Shunney

The meeting was opened at 9:30 a.m. by Heather Tyler, Deputy County Clerk

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the June 2, 2016 Commission meeting. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

**Letter of support for Morgan Broadband USDA Rural Development Community Connect Grant application**

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion for the County Commission to approve the letter of support for Morgan Broadbands, LLC application to the USDA Rural Development's Community Connect Grant program. President Close voted yea. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

**Morgan County Library Funds Letter**

The County Commission signed the letter granting funds in the amount of \$18,000 to the Morgan County Library.

**Action Items**

**Appointments to Planning Commission & Economic Development Authority  
Planning Commission**

Commissioner Ford made a motion to appoint Lori Hansroth to the Morgan County Planning Commission to replace the vacancy left by Brian Carter's resignation. President Close voted yea. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ford made a motion to re-appoint Eric LaRue, Carl Cowgill and Bob White to the Morgan County Planning Commission for a three year term. President Close voted yea. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ford made a motion to re-appoint Jim Hoyt to the Morgan County Planning Commission. President Close voted nay, Commissioner Ford voted nay and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion defeated.

Commissioner Ford made a motion to appoint Justin Andrews to the Morgan County Planning Commission to serve a three year term. President Close voted yea. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

#### **Economic Development Authority**

President Close made a motion to appoint Ken Reed to the Morgan County Economic Development Authority board to fill the vacancy left by Gary Rothstein's resignation. President Close voted yea. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

President Close made a motion to appoint Scott Crunkleton to the Morgan County Economic Development Authority board to fill the vacancy left by Jerry Berman's resignation. President Close voted yea. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

#### **Pines Opportunity Center: Deed transfer/Property Conveyance to Morgan County Building Commission**

President Close stated that the Building Commission will have a meeting to sign and transfer the deed of trust for the Pines Opportunity Center from the Morgan County Commission to the Morgan County Building Commission.

#### **Estate Case of Maryah Marie McGill-Keatts**

The estate case has been postponed until July 7, 2016 at 10:00 am.

#### **Presentation and Adoption of the Morgan County Road Name Index**

Commissioner Ford made a motion to adopt and approve the Morgan County Road Name Index. President Close voted yea. Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried. The document will be recorded in the Morgan County Clerk's Office and supersedes any previous road name index document.

#### **Discussion/possible decision regarding improvements at the property located at 28 North Washington Street**

The County Commission spoke to Vince Cichocki, Facilities Director and agreed to have Vince continue to work on the project of providing additional parking on the vacant lot.

#### **Dedication Plaque in memory of David Alan Michael, OES Director**

Due to the weather, the dedication was postponed until July 7, 2016.

#### **Review and Possible decision on 2016-17 Hotel/Motel Tax Budget**

The County Commission participated in a work session where they reviewed the hotel/motel budget and possible allocations for the 2016-17 year.

Possible Allocations are as following:

Eastern Panhandle Conservation District- \$1000 (dam maintenance)  
\$1000 (matching grant funds)

Travel Berkeley Springs- \$4000

Morgan County Fair-\$4000

Foxglove Garden Club- \$1000

Parks & Recreation- \$15,500  
Museum of Berkeley Springs- \$4000  
Morgan Arts Council- \$10,000  
Berkeley Springs State Park- \$ 1500  
Cacapon State Park - Up to \$5,000 (Cross Country Track )

**Recess**

President Close made a motion to recess the meeting. President Close voted yea.  
Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Morgan County Commission  
MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

DATE: June 16, 2016

Sheet: Of:

NO. NAME REPRESENTING PHONE # E-MAIL ADDRESS

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2 Lori Riley  
3 Thomas Riley  
4 Jack Swanson  
5 BARB WOLFE  
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