

**Morgan County Commission Meeting
March 9, 2015**

Members present:

Commissioner Brad Close, President
Commissioner Robert Ford
Commissioner Joel Tuttle

Also present: Jody McClintock, County Administrator; Ginger Johnson, Commission Secretary; Heather Tyler, Chief Deputy Clerk; and Cathy Spielman, Deputy Clerk

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

President Close explained that due to the fact that his father is on the Library Board, he recuses himself from the Commission meeting and leaves the room.

Connie Perry- Funding for the Morgan County Library

Connie Perry, representing the Morgan County Library approached the Commission to request additional funding for the library. Ms. Perry explained that the library are applying for a grant and need matching funds in the amount of \$56,000. Ms. Perry stated that they have done fund raisers but need additional funding. Ms. Perry requested funds in the amount of \$28,000. The Commission explained that they cannot make a decision at this time and they will have to see after the budget meetings. The Commission thanked Ms. Perry for her time.

Lin Dunham- Annual update & review on Farmland Protection Board & annual board compensation

Lin Dunham, Board Chairman, Morgan County Farmland Protection, approached the Commission to give an annual update and review on the board and the employee. Mr. Dunham requested to go into executive session. Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to go into executive session. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried. Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to come out of executive session and reconvene into regular session. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried. Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to request the increase of the annual contribution from the farmland protection board to \$11,000 with a supplemental salary of \$4300. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Honorable Judge Glen Stotler- Funding for Cacapon State Park

Honorable Judge Stotler approached the Commission to request funds in the amount of \$5000 for the Cacapon State Park Foundation. Mr. Stotler explained that the Cacapon State Park foundation is working with members of the local community and the coaching staff of the Berkeley Springs High School Cross Country team in

developing a potential event site at Cacapon State Park in hopes of holding a state-wide cross country track event in the future and have Cacapon State Park serve as the destination site. The Commission will review the request during the hotel/motel tax budget review meeting. The Commission thanked Mr. Stotler for his time.

Resolution for North Berkeley Rail Trail project II & III

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the resolutions and authorize Bradley J. Close, President of the Morgan County Commission, to act on its behalf as the official representative for the Commission in the administration of the WV Department of Transportation Recreational Trails program to apply for grant funding for \$200,000 with an in-kind match to be provided by the County in the amount of \$40,000 and also apply for grant funding in the amount of \$200,000 of which \$40,000 cash match is required to be provided by the county. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

EDA LEDA grant resolution

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the resolution to participate in the Local Economic Development Organization and hereby pledges \$30,000 from the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Budget to match a grant award acquitted from the Economic Development Grant Program. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Emergency 911 Dispatch- Approval for hire letters

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the hiring of Jamie Bryner, Part time employee, Tier I, Lance Steiner, Part time employee, Tier I and Chaston Clatterbuck, per diem employee, Tier I. President Close voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Motion carried.

Budget Meeting

The Morgan County Commission held a general budget meeting where the Commission reviewed the budget for the budget year 2016-2017.

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.

Morgan County Commission

MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

DATE: March 9 Budget

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