

**Morgan County Commission Meeting
June 27, 2017**

Members present:

Commissioner Joel Tuttle, President
Commissioner Robert Ford
Commissioner Ken Reed

Also present: Jody McClintock, County Administrator; Ginger Johnson, Commission Secretary and Tom & Lori Kiley

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

Approve FY 2017 year –end transactions

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the FY 2017 year end transactions. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approve CNB Bank of Depository

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the resolution proclaiming CNB bank as the County Commissions bank of depository. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approve & sign letter of support for FY 2017 Small Cities Block Grant to the WV Development Office for funding for upgrades and improvements to the municipal water system for the Town of Bath

Commissioner Ford made for the County Commission to approve and sign the support letter supporting the Town of Bath Council and their effort to apply for the 2017 Small Cities Block Grant to request funding for upgrades and improvements to the municipal water system. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Executive Session- Personnel Matter

Commissioner Ford made a motion to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Reed made a motion to come out of executive session and reconvene into regular session. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried. No decision was made.

Recess

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



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Secretary of Commerce
WV Development Office 1900 Kanawha Blvd., East
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Charleston, WV 25305-0311

Dear Secretary Thrasher:

The Morgan County Commission supports the Town of Bath Council and their effort to gain funding for important upgrades and improvements to their municipal water system. We encourage the favorable consideration of their application for FY17 Small Cities Block Grant for \$1.5 Million to the West Virginia Development Office.

With the administrative support of the Eastern Panhandle Planning and Development Council the proposal provides water service replacement and updates to approximately 11,450 LF of water lines. Other necessities such as ten (10) fire hydrants will be included. The current system is experiencing over a 20% water loss and experiences drops in pressure which affect the ability to fight fires. The proposed water line replacement section of this project should enable the Berkeley Springs Water Works to further reduce their water loss and attempt to achieve the 15% water loss threshold recommended by the WVPSC. All 1,359 customers in the service area will be positively affected by this project.

There are very few communities within the three counties in Region 9 that qualifies outright for low to moderate income guidelines for the Small Cities HUD funding and this project area is one. These improvements are greatly needed for one of the panhandle's poorest areas. Having adequate water and sewer infrastructure is priority when attempting to attract employers offering good paying jobs. Water and sewer improvements have been the Governor's priority for use of this funding for the past 20 years.

Your positive consideration of this request is appreciative.

Sincerely Yours,

Joel Tuttle, President
Morgan County Commission

Robert Ford
Morgan County Commission

Ken Reed
Morgan County Commission

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