

Morgan County Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2012

Members present: Stacy Dugan, Brenda Hutchinson and Brad Close

The meeting was opened by Cathy Payne, Chief Deputy County Clerk, at 9:30 a.m.

Also present: Jody McClintock, County Administrator; Ginger Johnson, Commission Secretary; Joshua Clark, Morgan Messenger; Andy Swain; Dale McConnell; Keith DeBlasio; Patricia Dilts; Alan Dilts; Richard Romano; Tricia Strader, Journal; Gary Easton, Jr.; Lana Clark; Sherma Hanson; Amy Lane; Don Lambert Jr.; Cheryl Lambert; Michael Hagstad; Nikki Cowles; Megan Scott; Shamus Cleveland; Kristin Willard; Selena Myer; Glorious Sagle; Martin Helton and Aaron Close

ADMINISTRATION ITEMS:

September 20, 2012 Meeting Minutes

On a Brenda Hutchinson/ Brad Close motion, the Morgan County Commission unanimously approved the September 20, 2012 meeting minutes. This motion carried.

Assessor's Exonerations

Ronnie McIntire, Assessor, approached the Commission and presented the Assessor's Exonerations for review and approval. Mr. McIntire explained that there were three exonerations due to clerical errors. On a Brenda Hutchinson/Brad Close motion, the County Commission approves the Assessor's exonerations. This motion carried.

Representatives from United Way coming to courthouse to meet with public

Commissioner Close explained that representatives from United Way will be at the courthouse on Thursday, October 11, 2012 from 12:00 noon- 2:00 pm to talk to citizens. Commissioner Close stated that employees can also consult with the representatives regarding getting deductions from their paychecks to give donations to United Way.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Richard Romano- Interview for Criminal Community Corrections Board

Richard Romano approached the Commission for an interview to sit on the Criminal Community Corrections Board. Mr. Romano explained that he has 26 years of experience in the corrections field and he believes he can be as asset to the community by serving on the board. President Dugan asked Mr. Romano if he will be able to attend the meetings. He replied yes. The Commission thanked Mr. Romano for his time and interest.

Jeanne Mozier- Funds request for Morgan Arts Council from hotel/motel funds

Jeanne Mozier representing the Morgan Arts Council, approached the Commission and presented a handout of information. Ms. Mozier explained activities the Morgan Arts Council provide for the community. Ms. Mozier stated that Summer Concerts in the Park, Ice House Concerts, Gallery Shows and Community Theater Productions help the tourism for Berkeley Springs. Ms. Mozier explained that the Morgan Arts Council originally requested funds in the amount of \$15,000 but only received \$10,000. Ms. Mozier requested funds in the amount of \$5000. The Commission explained that they cut the funding for all of the organizations. The Commission explained that the policy states that funds requests are reviewed in December and June of each year. The Commission agreed to review the request in December.

Decision regarding donated property at Fisher's Bridge

The Commission discussed the possibility of accepting the donated property at Fisher's Bridge. Commissioner Close explained that he would rather it gets donated to a non-profit group, like Friends of Cacapon. Commissioner Close stated that the county is not in the park business and is at the max with county properties. President Dugan stated that she is not comfortable with taking on the responsibilities with additional property. The Commission agreed to send a letter to the family suggesting that the property be donated to a non-profit group.

Donald Lambert, Jr.- Interview for Criminal Community Corrections Board

Donald Lambert, Jr. approached the Commission for an interview to sit on the Criminal Community Corrections Board. Mr. Lambert stated that he would like to get involved with the county and volunteer his time. Mr. Lambert stated that he will be able to attend the meetings. Mr. Lambert stated that he is a professional land surveyor and he would even be interested in serving on the Planning Commission. The Commission thanked Mr. Lambert for his time and interest.

Michael Hagstad- Interview for Criminal Community Corrections Board

Michael Hagstad approached the Commission for an interview to sit on the Criminal Community Corrections Board. Mr. Hagstad explained that he has lived in Morgan County for 13 years and would like to be active in the community. Mr. Hagstad stated that he is retired from criminal corrections. Commissioner Close stated that Mr. Hagstad's resume is simply impeccable. The Commission thanked Mr. Hagstad for his time and interest.

Morgan County Partnership- Proclamation on Substance Abuse Prevention Month- October

Kristin Willard, representing the Morgan County Partnership, approached the Commission and presented a proclamation on substance abuse prevention. On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission supports the Proclamation proclaiming October as Substance Abuse Prevention Month. This motion carried.

Morgan County Partnership- Powerpoint of Morgan County Partnership Activities

Megan Scott and Shamus Cleveland, representing Morgan County Partnership, approached the Commission to give a power point presentation on the Partnership and the activities and resources they offer to the community. Ms. Scott explained that the Partnership participates in Teen Court, Anti Bullying Groups, Job Shadowing, Underage Drinking Prevention and Prescription Drug Misuse/Abuse. Mr. Cleveland explained that the Underage Drinking Prevention educates retailers about selling tobacco and alcohol. The Commission commended the partnership for all of their hard work and thanked them for the presentation.

Decision on 3 members for the Criminal Community Corrections Board

The County Commission interviewed six applicants for the Criminal Community Corrections Board. At this time, they will select three for the Criminal Community Corrections Board. President Dugan stated that all six applicants are very good and it is a hard decision. Commissioner Close agreed. On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission appoints Dale McConnell to the Criminal Community Corrections Board. This motion carried. On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission appoints Richard Romano to the Criminal Community Corrections Board. This motion carried. On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission appoints Michael Hagstad to the Criminal Community Corrections Board. This motion carried. Commissioner Hutchinson stated that all of the applicants were wonderful and she wished that they could have appointed more to the board.

Transfer of 522 property for EPA grant qualification

Commissioner Close explained that the Morgan County School Board agreed to a temporary transfer of the county-owned soccer field so it can be eligible for a \$200,000 Brownsfield Clean Up Grant. Commissioner Close stated that there are two exceptions in the Memorandum of Understanding. If the funding falls through, the property is the county's again and once the clean up is done, the property goes back to the Morgan County Commission. Commissioner Close stated that the County Commission and the School Board are working on a Memorandum of Understanding to be approved regarding the transfer. Commissioner Close explained that the Phase I environmental site assessment was already completed and a Phase II environmental site assessment by Triad Engineering is in progress. The Phase II assessment will indicate the extent of the site contamination and the clean up options. On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission agrees to transfer the property once the memorandum of understanding is complete. This motion carried. The County Commission thanked the school board for participating and helping with the project.

ADMINISTRATOR'S ITEMS:

Approval to continue a preventive maintenance contract on mechanical systems with REMCO

On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission accepts the preventative maintenance agreement with REMCO for the amount of \$5,495.00/year. This motion carried.

Approval to pay REMCO invoice 116588

On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission agrees to pay invoice 116588 from REMCO in the amount of \$2,475.24. The invoice was for work regarding a water leak and HVAC issues.

Software Systems

On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission approved the agreement and stay with Software Systems for the next three years at the total price of \$9,974.22. This motion carried.

NACO- National Association of Counties

On a Brad Close/Stacy Dugan motion, the County Commission approved the invoice to remain a member of the National Association of Counties for the cost of \$400.00/year. Commissioner Hutchinson opposed. This motion carried.

Adjournment

On a Brad Close/Brenda Hutchinson motion, the County Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:51 a.m. This motion carried.