

**Morgan County Commission Meeting
December 19, 2018**

Members present:

Commissioner Joel Tuttle, President
Commissioner Ken Reed
Commissioner Bob Ford

Staff Present:

Kimberly Nickles, Honorable County Clerk
Stefanie Allemong, County Administrator
Mark Hill, Assistant County Administrator

Public Present: See attached sign in sheet

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

Approval of meeting minutes

President Tuttle made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for November 21st, 2018.
President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commission Reed voted yea.
Motion carried.

Administrative Items

Assessor's Exonerations

Clerical Error – Exoneration

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve exoneration due to clerical error. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

**Request of change to tax bill as a result of divorce Richard and Stephanie Nichols –
Exoneration**

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve request of change to tax bill. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

**Permit Department of Tax and Revenue and The Morgan County Assessor's Office to
make corrections to the 2019 Assessment Roll the month of January/February if necessary**

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve for Department of Tax and Revenue and the Morgan County Assessor's Office to make February 18, 2019 the last day for any changes to the 2019 Assessment Roll if necessary. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Road Name – Penny Lane

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve road name Penny Lane. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Ford voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Road Name – South Hill Lane

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve road name South Hill Lane. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Ford voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Name Change – Keiter Drive to Lane

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve name change of Keiter Drive to Keiter Lane. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Ford voted yea. Motion carried.

Agenda Items

Estate of Helen Dodson

Both parties were advised to come back in a few weeks. No action taken.

Estate of John Barker, continued

Commissioner Reed made a motion, per the petition, to appoint a Fiduciary Commissioner to oversee the co-executors. President Tuttle voted nea and Commissioner Ford voted nea. Petition denied. Commissioner Reed then made a motion if this is liable to pro rate by time the 5% executor fee between the new executors and previous executor. Commissioner Ford asked to amend the second motion for the parties to come back within six months for a status on the estate. President Tuttle made a motion to amend the second motion to add a six month time frame for the estate to be settled. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Ford voted yea. Motion carried.

Sheriff Bohrer request to hire additional Bailiff

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the Sheriff's request to hire an additional Bailiff. President Tuttle voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Accessor request payment of the 10% (\$953.87) of funds for dog/sheep/goat fees

Commissioner Ford made a motion to release payment of 10% (\$953.87) to the Accessor's Office. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Larry Kump – Letters (2) of Support

Commissioner Ford made a motion to give the President of the Commission authorization to sign a letter of support for Larry Kump to reduce the number of West Virginia residents displaying out of state tags. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Ford made a motion to give the President of the Commission authorization to sign a letter of support for Larry Kump to propose the idea to make improvements to West Virginia Route #9 between Martinsburg and Berkeley Springs. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Kimberly Nickles request for Cathy Spielman to receive salary supplement from 911

President Tuttle advised this will be put off until next meeting. No action taken.

Kimberly Nickles request to purchase replacement election machines from Jackson County

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the County Clerk's Office to spend \$4700.00 for the purchase of used voting machines from Jackson County West Virginia to be paid out of carry over. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Discussion/possible decision on establishing a special Task Force to explore possibility of expanding water service north of the Warm Springs PSD

Daryl Cowles was present for discussion. No action taken this was only brought to the Commission to be 'on the radar'.

Discussion/possible decision on closing the courthouse on December 31st in accordance with the Governor's Proclamation

Commissioner Ford made a motion to close the courthouse on December 31st in accordance with the Governors Proclamation. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Administrator's Report

Request to hire two Full Time and one Part Time 911 Dispatchers

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the hire of two Full Time and One Part Time 911 Dispatchers. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Request to hire Animal Control Director

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the hire of Gary Kendall as Animal Control Director Contingent upon passing a background check effective December 10, 2018. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Ford voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Ford made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Ford voted yea. Motion carried.

Items form the Public

No items heard

Recess

Commissioner Tuttle Made a motion to recess the meeting at 12:39

Minutes submitted by: M. Hill