

**Morgan County Commission Meeting
August 20, 2025**



Members present:

President Bill Clark
Commissioner Joel Tuttle
Commissioner Sean Forney

Staff Present:

Cathy Spielman, County Clerk
Dan James, Prosecutor's Office
Melanie Shambaugh, Circuit Clerk's Office
Misty Clingerman, County Administrator

Sheriff Johnnie Walter
Debbie Weaver, Assessor's Office
Marshall Younker, 911 Director

Call to Order

Cathy Spielman called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

Review and Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the agenda with the amendment of adding some reappointments under Administration Items. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion Carried.

Items from the public

None.

Administration Items

Approval of meeting minutes

Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 8/6/2025. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Assessor's Exonerations

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the exonerations for non-objects as presented by the Assessor's Office. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the exonerations that were objected by the Assessor for taxpayers Drennen, King, and Studenmaier. President Clark voted nay. Commissioner Tuttle voted nay. Commissioner Forney voted nay. Motion failed.

Morgan County EDA Board Appointment

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to appoint Cody Cox to fulfill a remaining term for Amanda Hollins-Teikeira, effective immediately and will expire December 31, 2025. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Circuit Clerk New Hire

Commissioner Forney made a motion to retroactively hire Samantha Munday for the Circuit Clerk's Office with a starting salary of \$27,000 effective August 18, 2025. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Morgan County Emergency Telecommunications New Hires

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to hire Ashley Jeffries and Aleece Hensley for Morgan County Emergency Telecommunications with a starting pay of \$16.00 per hour effective August 25, 2025. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Planning Commission Reappointments

Commissioner Forney made a motion to reappoint Heather Litten, Jeff Davison, and Patrick Logsdon to the Planning Commission to serve a three-year term expiring June 30, 2028. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Agenda Items**Wellness Center Approved Vendors**

Wellness Center Manager, Matt Pennington appeared before the Commission asked permission to begin promoting instructor led programs for classes like yoga, stretching, palates, weight training, etc. Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the checklist with terms and conditions for approved fitness instructors for the Wellness Center. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Handbook Workshop

The Commission, Elected Officials and the 911 Director had a workshop to go over questions and comments of the revisions made to the 2017 Employee Handbook. Another workshop will be scheduled for September 9, 2025. No motion needed.

Administrator's Report

Misty made a request to hire a part-time employee at the Wellness Center. Commissioner Forney made a motion to retroactively hire Keith Kavanagh as a part-time employee at an hourly rate of \$14.00 effective August 10, 2025. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Misty made the Commissioners aware that Animal Control is having problems with one of their vehicles. The Commission said that our maintenance guys can investigate the problems to see if anything is fixable.

Claire Schene requested the use of the gravel parking lot for this year's Bath Christmas Market. Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the use of the eastern half of the

gravel parking lot contingent upon approval from Conrad and Kirsten Trump. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Misty made the Commission aware that the First Foundation Meeting will be held September 25, 2025 to elect a new board member.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the consent agenda. President Clark voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Adjourn

President Clark adjourned the meeting at 12:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by M. Clingerman