

**Morgan County Commission Meeting  
June 3, 2026  
Morgan County Courthouse**

**Members present:**

President Joel Tuttle  
Commissioner Sean Forney  
Commissioner Bill Clark

**Staff Present:**

Kim Nickles, Chief Deputy County Clerk  
Misty Clingerman, County Administrator

**Call to Order**

Kim Nickles called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

**Review and Approval of Agenda**

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

**Items from the public**

None.

**Administration Items**

**Approval of meeting minutes**

Commissioner Forney made the correction to add the funding account for Court Security Grant and the "Tower Fund". Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 5/20/2026 with the correction of adding funding account 4015-459 for the cash match if we get the Court Security Grant. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

**Assessor's Exonerations**

Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve the exonerations for taxpayer Reichert for the non-objects presented by the Assessor. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

**Agenda Items**

**Sheriff Walter- Budget Discussion**

Sheriff Walter approached the Commission concerned about his overtime budget with one holiday still planned. He was also, concerned with Deputy Hustler's salary with two payrolls left for the year. President Tuttle said he will review everything and most likely will be moving the extra money in salaries to the overtime line.

**WVCORP FY27 Proposal**

A proposal to renew the county's insurance. Commissioner Forney said WVCORP has the lowest risk pool contribution and does good work. This year the Wellness Center and OES

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building was added. This year's contribution is \$226,093, last year was \$196,721. This year's whole building values is \$49,479,000, last year's was \$37,203,500. Commissioner Forney made a motion to approval the insurance renewal for FY26-27 with the contribution of \$226,093. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

### **Fleece Estate**

Casey Brenneman has filed a petition to remove Joyce Baker as the Administrator for the estate of Barabara Gale Fleece. Casey Brenneman is requesting this due to Joyce Baker being under investigation by Adult Protective Services while Mrs. Fleece was under Mrs. Baker's care. Miss Brenneman has been requesting the information from the hospital and nursing home but cannot get the information because she is not the Administrator of Barbara Gale Fleece estate. Mrs. Baker was asked, by President Tuttle, to give financial records and medical records to Miss Brenneman in a timely manner. If Mrs. Baker does so, he feels that there is no need to remove her as administrator of the estate. President Tuttle made a motion to approve the petition of Casey Brenneman to remove Joyce Baker as the Administrator of the Barbra Gale Fleece Estate. President Tuttle voted nay. Commissioner Forney voted nay. Commissioner Clark voted nay. Motion failed.

### **Administrator's Report**

First invoice from CEC for the Cacapon Ridge Trail. The project is to plan a trail from Cacapon Ridge to connect to the town of Bathe. County Administrator is to find out if the payment from the ARC grant is 80/20 cash match or 100% cash match for the first payment. Commissioner Forney made a motion to approval the payment in the amount of \$14,470 pending the outcome of Administrator's investigation of payment whether grant or cash match is being used for first payment. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Official paperwork for the extension of the Sleepy Creek Watershed Project. 12/31/2027. Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve the extension for the Sleepy Creek Watershed Project to 12/31/2027 and to authorize the President to sign. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Yearly depositories. Commissioner Clark made a motion to designate banks: CNB Bank, Bank of Romney, Truist, and City National for the depositories that were approved and signed. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Assessor would like Commissioners to sign Personal Property Tax Book. Commissioner Forney made a motion to authorize the Commission to sign the Personal Property Tax Book. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion Carried.

Two Hotel Motel requested are earlier than normal because they are for fireworks for Travel Berkeley Springs and South Morgan. \$6,000 for TBS and \$5,000 for SM. Commissioner Forney made the motion to approve the amount of \$6,000 for Travel Berkeley Springs and \$5,000 for South Morgan. President Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda**

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

**Adjourn**

President Tuttle adjourned the meeting at 10:50 am.

Minutes submitted by F. Darlington