

**Morgan County Commission Meeting
August 5, 2020**

Members present:

Commissioner Joel Tuttle, President
Commissioner Reed
Commissioner Forney

Staff Present:

Kimberly Nickles, Honorable County Clerk
Stefanie Allemong, County Administrator

Public Present: See attached sign in sheet

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

Items from the Public/Miscellaneous Discussion

No items from the public.

Administration Items

Approval of meeting minutes – 7/15

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 7/15. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Forney voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Assessors Exonerations & Consolidations

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the Exonerations that have not been objected to by the Assessor's Office. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Forney voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the Exonerations objected to by the Assessor's Office for Taxpayers Celik, Chillemi and Herren. President Tuttle voted nay, Commissioner Forney voted nay and Commissioner Reed voted nay. Motion denied.

Re-appointment of John Coleman to the Civil Service Commission for a four year term effective immediately and will expire June 30, 2024

Commissioner Forney made a motion to re-appoint John Coleman to the Civil Service Commission for a four year term effective immediately and will expire June 30, 2024. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted nay and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Review of application/possible appointment to the Morgan County Unsafe Structure and Property Enforcement Agency

Commissioner Reed made to approve the appointment of Charles Wachter to the Morgan County Unsafe Structure and Property Enforcement Agency for a two year term effective immediately and will expire December 30, 2022. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Forney voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Commission President to sign Emergency Absentee Voting Policy

Commissioner Forney made a motion to authorize the Commission President to sign the Emergency Absentee Voting Policy. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Commission President to sign Emergency Absentee Commissioners document

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the Emergency Absentee Commissioners as stated. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Forney voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible decision to remain open on Friday, October 9, 2020, due to Apple Butter being cancelled

Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the Courthouse to be open on Friday, October 9, 2020, due to Apple Butter being cancelled. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Renewal of Lease Agreement for lots along Fairfax Street and Mercer Street; Town of Bath

Commissioner Forney made a motion to authorize the Commission President to execute the Lease with the Trump family for lots along Fairfax Street and Mercer Street; Town of Bath in the amount of \$1,230.24. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Agenda Items

Carolyn Scheydt, Second Vice Regent DAR – Proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2020, as Constitution Week

Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the Proclamation as read. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Appointment of CNB Online Banking Administrator

Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the County Administrator as the Morgan County CNB Online Banking Administrator. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Forney voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible action for Citadel Banking through CNB

Commissioner Reed made a motion to authorize the Sheriff to move forward with the process to move our funds into Citadel Banking in conjunction with CNB Bank. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Forney voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried.

Discussion/Possible decision request for funds for Morgan County Partnership

Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the funding request from Morgan County Partnership in the amount of \$2,961.23 to be paid for out of carryover funds. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Sheriff KC Bohrer – Discussion GHSP Law Position and funding

Sheriff Bohrer advised the Governors Highway Safety Program (GHSP) they have been able to utilize for the past three years is coming to an end. This program paid for an officer's salary, equipment and a vehicle. As of October 1 the GHSP will go back to funding overtime projects like DUIs or hands-free. This will leave a position that will no longer be funded and we need to determine if the Commission will pick up the funding. Currently we are down two positions, Sergeant Shambaugh will be retiring September 1, another officer contemplating retirement, an officer out on FMLA and one officer who may be out on indefinite medical leave with health issues. We have had eight applicants with only three passing. Hopefully with the upcoming interviews we will be able to hire two officers. No action taken.

Sheriff KC Bohrer – request to purchase and install fencing around the impound yard

Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$9,740 to Long Fence Co. to finish the fencing around the impound yard and garage this money will come from the capital reserve fund. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Sheriff KC Bohrer – Discuss State's new Special Purpose Vehicle Law and how it affects the Morgan County ATV Ordinance

Commissioner Reed volunteered to revisit the County's ATV Ordinance since the State's new Special Purpose Vehicle Law.

Administrator's Report

Discussion/Possible decision request for generator for new E-911 Center

No action taken.

Discussion/Possible decision quotations to install chemical fire suppression system for new 911 server room

Commissioner Reed made a motion to accept the contract from Brewer & Company of WV, Inc. in the amount of \$15,000 to install a chemical fire suppression system in the server room at the new E-911 Center. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Forney voted yea and Commissioner Reed voted yea. Motion carried. * note: to be paid from the capital reserve fund

Request to replace Bard air conditioner units in current 911 tower building Dispatch Lane

Commissioner Forney made a motion to approve the bid from R.H. Lapp & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$9,375 to be paid from fund 712 account 2161. President Tuttle voted yea, Commissioner Reed voted yea and Commissioner Forney voted yea. Motion carried.

Jeanne Mozier and County Administrator Allemong – Update on Bicentennial Celebration

Jeanne Mozier advised we still have six months to go with the Bicentennial Celebration. The two main goals with the celebration are to better inform the people about Daniel Morgan and to learn more about Morgan County history. Jeanne will be doing a talk at the Museum in August about Daniel Morgan and George Washington. She also added to try and watch the two lectures on video about the tomato canning and tanneries they are amazing the amount of history people didn't know but are available for viewing. The Civil War video and the railroad lecture will be ready soon. By the end of the year there will be something and the entire celebration will be memorable. Peggy Oakes is compiling a list of the County Commissioners from 1820 and on to view in the Courthouse. Administrator Allemong was able to find a coin company to start working on artwork for a numbered coin and have the proof sometime this week. In about 4 to 6 weeks we should have 200 bicentennial coins for sale. Any videos of lectures or speeches will be available on the County YouTube channel.

Consent Agenda

Purchases/Check Logs/Budget Revisions/Vacation Orders

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

Adjourn

President Tuttle 11:20 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: M. Hill