

**Morgan County Commission Meeting
September 18, 2024**

Members present:

Commissioner Sean Forney
Commissioner Joel Tuttle
Commissioner Bill Clark

Staff Present:

Kim Nickles, County Clerk
Misty Clingerman, County Administrator
Melanie Smith, Commission Secretary
Marshall Younker, 911 Director
Dan James, Prosecuting Attorney
Scott Bier, IT Director
John Walter, Chief Deputy

Items from the public

None.

Review and Approval of Agenda

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

Administration Items

Approval of meeting minutes

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 09/11/2024. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Assessor's Exonerations

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the exoneration of taxpayer Boucher. President Forney voted nay. Commissioner Tuttle voted nay. Commissioner Clark voted nay. Motion Failed.

Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve exonerations not objected to by the Assessor due to clerical errors. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Agenda Items

John Peterson – Morgan County Emergency Communication Network

John Peterson presented the Commission with an update on improvements made to the Cacapon Tower and requested the exact geographic location to confirm the geographic area. He also discussed his plan to give a sophisticated and extensive public presentation covering emergency communication preparedness. During the presentation he wants to

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give radios to each family in attendance, a “Go Bag” containing a map with rally points, a preparation and execution checklist, and emergency candles. He requested \$5,000 for the radios and \$17,000 for a backup generator. President Forney thanked Mr. Peterson for his presentation. Commissioner Tuttle would like to discuss redundancy issues with Jason Hoover before deciding. No decision was made at this time. The request for radios will be revisited at the October 2, 2024 Commission Meeting.

John Walter – Bodycam Invoice

John Walter presented the Commission with an invoice for bodycams. Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the \$26,875.98 invoice for bodycams and a 5-year license to be paid for out of ARPA. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Scott Bier – MFA Cybersecurity Discussion/Possible Action

Scott Bier, IT Director, presented the Commission with a request to implement Multi-Factor Authentication for Morgan County employees’ email accounts. Commissioner Clark made a motion to approve the request. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Marshall Younker – Request to extend vacation leave deadline, discussion/possible action

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to instruct payroll not to roll back vacation leave for EMSRS and DERS until December 31, 2024. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Dan James – Department of Environmental Protection – State Park Conclusion – Continued Discussion/ Possible Action (Possible Executive Session)

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to enter into an executive session. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to exit an executive session. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried.

Commissioner Tuttle made a motion to approve the payment of the DEP fine of \$7,290.00 to be paid from carryover 424-229. President Forney voted yea. Commissioner Tuttle voted yea. Commissioner Clark voted yea. Motion carried. Commissioner Tuttle amended his motion adding that Dan James requested the DEP to remove the portion of fault for immediate reporting (Section C).

Administrator’s Report

None.

Consent Agenda

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

Adjourn

President Forney adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Minutes submitted by M. Smith