

Agenda
Morgan County Council
April 4, 2022 6:30 p.m.

Opening: Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer
Minutes: March 7, 2022

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

ARPA LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND (8950)
Commissioners (0068)

\$ 10,800 8950.21301.000.0068 COVID Testing Supplies

APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS:

None

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- Update EMS EMT and Paramedic 3-7-22 Wage Amendment
 - Second Public Hearing on Preliminary Determination to Issue Bonds for a Public Works Project
 - First Reading of Public Works Bond Resolution
 - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Local Fiscal Recovery Revenue Loss Calculation Discussion
 - PSAP Letter to Fire Chiefs Discussion
 - Appointments to ARPA Advisory Committee Discussion
 - Other Business
 - Adjournment

2022 SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED THAT ON THE 4TH DAY OF APRIL, 2022, THE MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL AMENDED THE 2022 SALARY ORDINANCE WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF FEBRUARY 12, 2022 AS FOLLOWS:

2022 Appropriation Number	Description	Classification	FLSA Status	Number of Positions	Hourly Rate, Daily Rate or Per Pay Period Amount	Annual Salary	Hours per Week or Hours per Shift
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND (1151-0000)							
	Total Number of EMTs 18						
15625	EMT Full Time 0 Years	CIVILIAN POLE I	NON-EXEMPT		13.30		24 hr.
15625	EMT Full Time 1 Year				14.77		24 hr.
15625	EMT Full Time 2 Years				15.22		24 hr.
15625	EMT Full Time 3 Years				15.67		24 hr.
	EMT Full Time 4+ Years				16.38		
	Total Number of Paramedics 18						
15630	EMS Paramedics Full Time 0 Years	CIVILIAN POLE V	NON-EXEMPT		16.79		24 hr.
15630	EMS Paramedics Full Time 1 Year				18.64		24 hr.
15630	EMS Paramedics Full Time 2+ Years				19.70		24 hr.
The hourly rate change occurs on the hire date anniversary.							

Adopted this 4th day of April, 2022.

MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Kim Merideth

Melissa Greene

Chip Keller

Jason Maxwell

Troy Sprinkle

Vickie Kivett

ATTEST: _____
Kelly Alcalá

Dan Bastin, Morgan County Auditor



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March 22, 2022

To: County Commissioners

CC: County Council, Auditor Bastin

From: Josh Messmer

Re: ARPA Revenue Loss

Dear Commissioners,

The U.S. Department of the Treasury recently released the publication, *Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: Overview of the Final Rule*. This publication summarized changes from the Interim Rule that states, municipalities and counties have been operating under since 2021. The federal government allowed use of the Interim Rule while receiving public comment for the Final Rule.

There are many aspects of the final rule that Morgan County is unlikely to utilize. One important change, that I hope will affect Morgan County, is the new allowable rules for revenue loss. Before covering the Final Rule, we will discuss the Interim Rule.

Previously, the county had two options. Option One was to compare county revenues against a presumptive 4.5% annual increase, meaning any allowable revenue received less than the previous year's allowable revenues multiplied by 1.045 would be considered a loss. Option Two provided the opportunity to look back and calculate the actual allowable average growth from the average of the previous three years (fiscal or calendar) and multiply the previous year's revenue by the calculated average growth rate. For the calculation of the 2020 Revenue Loss, Auditor Bastin, calculated an average growth rate of 8.7495%, which corresponded to a calculated revenue loss of \$2,069,327. The Interim Rule provided for this calculation to be completed for years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023. Assuming a constant loss (while in actuality future losses or smaller growth rates would tend to skew the average down) this would equate to \$8,277,308.

The Final Rule, is surprisingly simple. Option One is to calculate our loss as above. Option Two is to utilize a presumptive loss of \$10,000,000, not to exceed the award amount. Morgan County's award amount was \$13,691,662; therefore, the full presumptive loss could be realized.

All revenue loss can be used for governmental services, generally. Meaning, once the revenue is taken as a loss, the dollars can be used for anything, not just projects that fall within the acceptable categories of the ARPA Grants as presented in the Final Rule. Upon taking the loss,



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Morgan County would still have \$3,691,662 to be utilized for other projects, which would be required to meet all requirements of the Final Rule.

After consulting with Baker-Tilly, Auditor Bastin and Councilwoman Alcalá, it would be my recommendation for Morgan County to utilize the presumptive loss.

If you have any questions, please reach out.

Sincerely,

Josh Messmer
County Administrator



Memo

To: Morgan County Fire Chiefs

From: Scott A. Hamilton

cc: File, Josh Messmer, Morgan County Council

Date: April 6, 2022

Re: Emergency Reporting

Last year it was proposed that we would cease paying for ERS/ESO in 2022. However, in discussion with the County Council and in recognition of the request of multiple fire departments 911 postponed shifting the cost to fire agencies until 2023, in order to give agencies more time to budget for the cost. This letter is an official reminder that, 911 will cease paying for ERS/ESO fire reporting software beginning in 2023. (ERS was recently acquired by ESO.) Here is a link to see the information regarding the acquisition and changes that will be coming: https://pages.eso.com/index.php/email/emailWebview?md_id=7904

In lieu of paying for ERS/ESO, we will be shifting those previous allocated funds to support the Location annual maintenance, a county-wide subscription to Active911 and networking costs (Switches/Firewalls and monitoring) to each Fire Department that requests this. This falls more in line with using our PSAP Operating funds to more fully support our mission of providing dispatching services.

Beginning January 1, 2023, the cost of ERS/ESO will return to each Fire Department. 9-1-1 will still pay for the annual Spillman CAD interface cost that sends information to ERS/ESO and the ERS/ESO CAD Maintenance fee. All other costs will be shifted to each individual Fire Department.

Based on invoicing from last year, the costs were:

Larger career departments (Martinsville and Madison): \$3144.00 each/per year¹

Small career/volunteer departments (Washington and the rest) \$2445.00 each/per yearⁱⁱ

This information is being provided to you so that you can plan for it in next year's budgets.

I will contact the Indiana ERS/ESO account representative and provide them the contact information for each department to help ease this transition.

Thank You.

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