

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION  
ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019 AT 9:30 A.M.**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT WERE RYAN GOODWIN, KENNY HALE AND NORMAN VOYLES. DAN BASTIN, AUDITOR; DEB VERLEY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; AND DALE COFFEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

PLEDGE

PRAYER (*Ryan Goodwin*)

**GRANT - EMA**

Mark Tumey, Morgan County EMA Director, was present to request approval of three grant requests as follows: 2019 Emergency Management Performance Grant \$56,832.36 for salary reimbursements for director, deputy director, and administrative assistant; Department of Homeland Security EMP \$4,644.04 for conference passes to the 2020 Preparedness Summit Conference in Dallas including airfare on March 30 – April 3, 2020; Hazardous Materials Preparedness Grant \$11,900 for Hazmat IQ classes for emergency responders. Mr. Tumey stated that in the last 24 months, they have received \$263,000 in grants. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve all three grants. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**CELLULAR BOOSTING QUOTE**

Ryan Goodwin stated that Data Board and the IT Department have been discussing a boosting device for the Administration Building. Joel Johnson, Data Administration, stated that this would include Court Services and the Courthouse in addition to the Administration Building. Each cellular service uses different bands or frequency and the \$3,500 quote is to obtain a site survey for the buildings and moving forward after that. This amount would then go towards the purchase and installation of equipment. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the proposal from Wilson Amplifiers. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**LETTER OF SUPPORT - Census**

Ryan Goodwin stated that earlier this year, Jill Bond with the Census Bureau made a presentation to the Board regarding putting together a complete count committee. A committee has been formed and they have requested that a letter be sent to the Chicago regional director as a way to show the United States Congress that local communities value the work. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve and send the letter. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**LETTER OF SUPPORT - MPO**

Ryan Goodwin stated that the Metropolitan Planning Organization has asked for a letter of support to signify the county's interest in supporting the MPO's process on conducting an economic development study. This does not call for any financial support. The Morgan County Economic Development Corporation will be sending a letter as well. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the letter of support. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

**GRANT APPLICATION – LEPC**

Becky Waymire, Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), stated that they are requesting a Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant of \$1,497 for a tabletop exercise regarding hazardous materials. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the grant application. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**BRIDGE #49 RIGHT OF WAY**

Ryan Goodwin stated that VS Engineering has been conducting right of way negotiations on behalf of the county and have secured right of way off of Maple Grove Road. The cost for this is \$2,950. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the transaction and send a claim to be paid by the Auditor for the acquisition. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0. Norman Voyles noted that there is one more parcel to acquire.

**OAK HILLS SECTION ONE**

Kevin McGinnis stated that in order for the roads in Oak Hills to be dedicated to Morgan County, he needed to submit a correct legal description. Dale Coffey stated that he has reviewed the deed and it does describe the roads. Ryan Goodwin stated that this was approved at the last meeting contingent upon submitting the correct documentation. Kenny Hale made a motion to accept the Deed of Dedication for the roads in Oak Hills Section One. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

**ORDINANCE** – *Underground Transmission Devices*

Ryan Goodwin stated that the board has been discussing making changes to the ordinance regarding underground transmission devices. This ordinance has been in effect since at least 1985. Utility companies and other entities use this ordinance to place certain transmission devices within county right of way. The current ordinance does not mention fiber optic and requires a low limit of liability insurance. The penalty for not following the ordinance is also low for 2019 standards. The ordinance has been amended to address fiber optic cable, to require a higher liability insurance limit, and an increase in the fine. Norman Voyles suggested the following changes: removing the words “toward the end of” in C, change the second “one million” to “three” in F, and remove “therefore” in I. Mr. Goodwin noted that a three million aggregate is above the norm, but agreed with the rest of the changes. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the ordinance with the changes. Dale Coffey noted that the ordinance would need to be published before it would become effective. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**ROAD NAME**

Kenny Hale stated that Turtle Ridge Lane was approved at the last meeting as Raspberry Lane, but there is already a Raspberry Lane. This is a private existing road in Jackson Township off of State Road 252. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the road name. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION/TRANSFER**

Ryan Goodwin stated that there is a transfer request of \$120.79 to cover the Society of Human Resource Managers membership and \$523 for bonds. There is an additional appropriation request of \$300,000 for mold remediation costs at the Court Services building and a letter amending the \$5,151 for vehicle lease costs to \$7,775. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve all three letters and forward them to the Council. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

**COMP TIME DONATION**

The Plan Commission Office has requested that employees be able to donate comp time to an employee that has had a death in the family. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Norman Voyles made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

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Ryan Goodwin

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Kenny Hale

Attest:

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Norman Voyles