

**THE MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY,
DECEMBER 17, 2018 AT 6:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: BRYAN COLLIER, PAUL PRATHER, DAVE ZOLLER, DANIEL ELLIOTT, KIM MERIDETH, VICKIE KIVETT, AND VIRGINIA PERRY. ALSO PRESENT WERE DAN BASTIN, MORGAN COUNTY AUDITOR; DEB VERLEY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; AND DALE COFFEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY.

Council President Bryan Collier once again showed his holiday spirit by dressing in special attire for the meeting.



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (*Virginia Perry*)

PRAYER (*Daniel Elliott*)

Transfers:

Paul Prather made a motion to approve the following transfers as presented:

- *Extension*

\$760 from Acct #1000-126-4361 (Rental Lease) to Acct #1000-126-4442 (Office Equipment)

- *Commissioners*

\$8,666 from Acct #1000-133-4342 (Insurance) to Acct #1000-133-4441 (Equip/Furn)

- *Jail*

\$16,209.31 from Acct #1000-135-4373 (Computer Maint)

535.69 from Acct #1000-135-4351 (Utilities)

to

\$11,145 Acct #1000-135-4443 (Computer Software)

5,600 Acct #1000-135-4443 (Computer Equip)

and

\$3,000 from Acct #1000-135-4233 (Maint Supplies)

6,000 from Acct #1000-135-4211 (Supplies)

to

\$9,000 Acct #1000-135-4441 (Furn/Equip)

- *Health Department*

\$3,000 from Acct #1159-000-4165.40 (Group Health Insurance)

to

\$1,300 Acct #1159-000-4211 (Supplies)

1,700 Acct #1159-000-4442 (Equip)

Motion seconded by Dave Zoller. Motion carried 7-0.

2019 Salary Ordinance Amendment

Scott Hamilton, Morgan County Dispatch Director, stated that he brought this up at the last meeting. He requested that the Salary Ordinance be amended to allow for a part time cleaning person at the Dispatch Center. This would be up to 12 hours per week, he should only take 10 hours and including the cost for cleaning chemicals, would cost approximately \$500 per month. The cost to contract this position is \$795 per month so it should be a savings. Daniel Elliott made a motion to approve an amendment to the 2019 Salary Ordinance. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Budget

Dan Bastin stated that the DLGF (Department of Local Government Finance) approved the budget as submitted by the Council. However, the tax rates are lower because the final assessed value was higher than the estimates used for the budget process.

Next Meeting

The next meeting date was set for January 7th. Mr. Bastin submitted a meeting schedule for 2019; however there is a conflict with the Plan Commission for the September 9th meeting, which was scheduled for the public hearing on the budget. Kim Merideth made a motion to adopt the schedule as presented. Motion seconded by Vickie Kivett. Motion carried 7-0.

Presentation

Bryan Collier noted that this is Virginia Perry’s last meeting on the Council and expressed his gratitude for Ms. Perry’s service. Mr. Collier stated that Ms. Perry challenged him and he was grateful for that. Ms. Perry kept the Council from being complacent. Ms. Perry stated that she enjoyed working on the Council and they have to put aside their personal agendas and do what is right for the taxpayer. Mr. Collier presented Ms. Perry with a plaque.

Green Eggs and Ham

Mr. Collier encouraged the newly elected officials to read *Green Eggs and Ham* over the holidays. Mr. Collier stated that it is one of the most pleasantly persistent books ever written on how to get a final answer of “yes”.

Adjournment

Paul Prather made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kim Merideth. Motion carried 7-0.

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Bryan Collier

Paul Prather

Daniel Elliott

Vickie Kivett

Dave Zoller

Kim Merideth

ATTEST:

Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

Virginia Perry