

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018 AT 9:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE NORMAN VOYLES, RYAN GOODWIN, AND BRIAN GOSS. DAN BASTIN, AUDITOR; DEB VERLEY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; AND ROD BRAY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

NORMAN VOYLES ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.

NORMAN VOYLES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – *Emergency Medical Service*

Norman Voyles stated that while “Emergency Medical Service” was not on the agenda, there were several people who were present regarding EMS and he would be willing to let them make a brief statement.

Dave Allison, Harrison Township Fire District, stated that the department submitted a letter to the newspaper stating that they feel they have provided ambulance service for over 20 years. It boils down to the quality of service and response time. They feel like what they have in place for the township works extremely well and forcing the township to change ambulance service will be detrimental to the health and welfare of the residents.

Devony Collins, A&A Township Volunteer Fire Department, stated that she was present to clarify a few things that were not put in the newspaper a few days ago. She works for Stilesville and they don’t make the runs because they are being paid, it is because they care about their patients. She gave two Commissioners copies of the runs. They are there to help load and go; take care of patient care. Almost 100% of the patients have been transported by EMS, not by A&A and not by Stilesville. She took a run the other day because they were second toned. Ms. Collins stated that she will stand by disregarding Medic #917 because she just drove Letterman Road. Half-way through the run, she decided she had chest pain and jaw pain and it became an ALS run. The assistant chief at Stilesville asked for Brown Township because of the Mickey Mouse game they had already played. There have been several times they were second toned and they had to wait for them. They don’t understand why they can’t have mutual aid with the surrounding counties that help them.

Rod Bray stated that they are still working through some growing pains with the county EMS and are still working out details, along with mutual aid agreements. First and foremost, Mr. Bray stated that they want to get an ambulance where it’s needed as quickly as possible and they will continue to work that direction.

**TRUCK BID**

Dan Bastin opened bids for three ¾ ton, extended cab, four-door, pickups with four-wheel drive and one two-wheel drive, regular cab pickup as follows:

Hubler Chevrolet	2-wheel drive	\$26,937.40
	4-wheel drive	29,935.20
Bob Poynter	Chevrolet 2-wheel drive	26,045.55
	Chevrolet 4-wheel drive	23,636.40
	Dodge 4-wheel drive crew cab	22,117.00
	Chevrolet 4-wheel drive double cab	25,636.40
	Dodge 4-wheel drive crew cab	24,117.00
	Dodge 2-wheel drive regular cab	23,887.00

Marvin “Sport” Whaley, Acting Highway Superintendent, reviewed the bids and reported that the Dodge bid from Poynter was the lower price, totaling \$96,738 with the trade-in allowance, but they were not extended cabs, they were crew cabs. The highway maintenance shop does not stock Dodge filters and parts and they would have to purchase beds for two of the Dodge trucks. The two Chevrolet bids are competitive, \$103,453 for Poynter and \$104,743 for Hubler, including trade-in-allowance. Hubler has an advantage of being closer to the Highway Department for servicing while Poynter is in the Columbus area and the beds from the Chevrolets can be used on several trucks that the county already owns. Mr. Whaley recommended that the Board accept the bid from Hubler. Ryan Goodwin made a motion, based on the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent and that one bidder better meets the qualifications, to accept the bid from Hubler Chevrolet in the amount of \$104,743 (this amount includes the \$12,000 trade-in allowance). Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

## **APPOINTMENT**

Carole Kinder, Court Services Director, submitted a name for the Community Corrections Advisory Board position of "Director of County Office of the Division of Family Resources," Shannon Hickey. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to appoint Shannon Hickey to the Community Corrections Advisory Board. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

## **NORTH MADISON CROSSING**

Rod Bray handed out an agreement for the Acceptance of Roadways into the Morgan County Highway Road System. Mr. Bray stated that this agreement is for the roads in the North Madison Subdivision Section 1. There was concern that if the roads were accepted, the construction traffic into Section 2 would damage the roads. The agreement is between Morgan County, Swinney Development, Inc., and Wallace Construction. The county agrees to accept the roads into the county road system, but provides that Swinney Development will build a lane to access the Section 2 development without using Section 1 roads, and that Wallace Construction will make any repairs needed to the roadways through the end of 2018. The other parties have seen the agreement and are comfortable with it. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the agreement. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

## **PLAN COMMISSION RESOLUTION**

Kenny Hale, Morgan County Plan Commission Director, was present to request approval of a resolution barring an unruly person from the building. The Town of Brooklyn has had similar incidents with the same person and approved a similar resolution for their town office in December. Mr. Hale stated that they need to have a safe environment for the employees and he worked with the Plan Commission attorney to come up with a solution. The resolution allows the person to conduct business via phone, mail, and email or through a representative. Rod Bray stated that this is a public office and the person will be able to get business done without endangering employees. Ryan Goodwin stated that he has spoken to the individual and has concerns of his own. Mr. Hale stated that it has gotten worse and this was not a step he wanted to take, but it needs to be taken. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

## **ANNUAL CONTRACT – Legal Services**

Rod Bray stated that the terms of the contract are the same as in past years and expires at the end of December 2018. Norman Voyles stated that the contract states that Mr. Bray will serve as legal advisor and counsel for Morgan County, its' agencies, departments, and administration. The annual contract amount of \$32,640 provides that Mr. Bray will attend all regular and special meetings of the Board of Commissioners, Council (except budget sessions), Drainage Board, and represent client at non-adversarial tax sale proceedings. Any non-covered services would be at an hourly rate of \$150. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the contract. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

## **VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICER UPDATE**

Rick Baum, Veterans' Service Officer, handed out a monthly report for January 2018. There were 62 interviews in office and 6 outside the office. There were 228 phone calls and 14 county, 3 state, and 17 federal claims filed. Mr. Baum stated that he tries not to be outside of the office too much, but did receive an invitation to meet with American Legion members in Mooresville. He was able to meet with several veterans. He will be doing the same in Paragon. He is having a meeting to gauge interest in starting a veterans' coordinating council and the Board of Commissioners is invited to attend this meeting.

## **MINUTES**

Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 29, 2017 and January 2, 2018 meetings. Motion seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 2-0-1. Brian Goss stated that he was not present and abstained.

## **CLAIMS**

Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the January 12 and January 26, 2018 payroll claims of \$612,551.84 and \$573,250.68 and the Uniform Allowance of \$35,700. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the January 12 and January 26, 2018 PERF claims of \$52,469.68 and \$49,216.18 and the Uniform Allowance of \$1,871.40. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the January 12 and January 26, 2018 FICA claims of \$44,732.86 and \$41,740.09 and Uniform Allowance of \$2,731.06. Motion seconded by Ryan

Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the monthly claims of \$906,202.20. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

### **TORT CLAIM**

Brian Goss made a motion to submit the Haney tort claim to the insurance company. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

### **EMS UPDATE**

Donnie Warren, Morgan County EMS Director, stated that renovations are proceeding in the EMS building and he is not able to utilize his office – it is non-existent. The City of Martinsville issued the permit for the renovations; however, they discovered issues with the HVAC system and electrical system. They will approach the Council about appropriating funds for this unforeseen situation.

Other activities: He had meetings with Brown Township and Mooresville fire departments to keep lines of communication open. They conducted a follow-up interview with the Reporter Times regarding a story that appeared in the January 17<sup>th</sup> issue. He requested that the state EMS Commission conduct an audit to make sure there are no deficiencies and they are providing the best possible care they can. The audit passed with flying colors. The state EMS Commission approved the EMT class to be held at St. Francis Mooresville starting March 5<sup>th</sup>. The class will be Mondays and Wednesdays 6 to 10 pm and one Saturday per month. Morgan County will be hosting a health care provider CPR class during the first day of the EMT class.

There were 280 runs during the month of January and 210 of those were transports.

### **DISPATCH UPDATE**

Scott Hamilton, Morgan County Public Safety Dispatch Director, introduced Melissa “Missy” Franzmann, the Deputy Director. There have been 1,999 911 calls, 137 of which were abandoned, 3,048 outbound administrative calls, 5,265 inbound administrative calls, and 3,194 CAD calls.

Mr. Hamilton will present a mass notification system program to the Data Board on Wednesday.

A representative from Pyramid met with Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Voyles to inspect the areas that have condensation issues.

### **SHERIFF UPDATE**

Sheriff Robert Downey stated that there are 315 inmates, 4 DOC, 4 on work release, 19 on jail corrections, and 1,085 calls for service.

### **HIGHWAY UPDATE**

Marvin “Sport” Whaley stated that with the trade-in value on two mowers, they should have a \$9,000 surplus. If the Board is agreeable, with these funds, Mr. Whaley is able to obtain a small roller to help with patching culverts. All Commissioners were in agreement.

The Salem hill and Baseline Road projects are moving forward.

### **ENGINEER UPDATE**

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that the beams for Bridge #103 on Briarhopper were picked up and the contractor should start on the project once the beams are cleaned and painted.

Mr. Smith stated that 50% of the MVH funds must be used for construction, reconstruction, and maintenance. House Bill 1290 has been changed to replace “maintenance” with “preservation”. Maintenance is defined as costs of making road repairs, preserving smooth surface, adequate drainage, and includes the acquisition of all needed equipment, fuel, materials, and incidental and essential supplies. Construction is defined as planning, inspecting, supervising, and expenses to construct a road. Reconstruction is widening or rebuilding of a highway or portion of a highway. Preservation is preventative non-structural treatment, rehab or structural repairs made to transportation infrastructure or related drainage that is included in the asset management plan approved by the Indiana Department of Transportation in cooperation with LTAP. No labor, equipment, or fuel costs are mentioned. This year the MVH is \$4.8 million, 50% of that would be \$2.4 million. \$700,000 has been budgeted for contractual paving, \$150,000 is in maintenance repair supply to be used for chip seal, which is 18%. This leaves 32% short and he has heard that the state will cut the funds back for next year. Some counties have allocated their Wheel Tax to MVH. Ryan Goodwin stated that the state wanted to make sure that the majority of the new

money was going towards actual paving and road construction. Dan Bastin stated that there will be information at the March Road School regarding the new highway report and recommended that Mr. Smith attend a session to learn what the expectations are as far as allocating expenses and cost. Mr. Bastin stated that the materials don't apply themselves; it would be unrealistic not to have labor costs involved. Mr. Bastin stated that looking into allocating the Wheel Tax and excise surtax over to MVH is probably something they should examine.

It has been an extremely cold winter and a lot of the paving that was put down last year already has transverse cracks. He will be talking to the contractor and they might have to apply crack seal in many places.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Brian Goss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

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Norman Voyles

Attest:

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Brian Goss

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Ryan Goodwin