

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2016 AT 9:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE NORMAN VOYLES, BRIAN GOSS, AND DON ADAMS. DAN BASTIN, AUDITOR; DEB VERLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE 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.

**MORGAN COUNTY SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNCIL GRANTS**

Joe Mills, Morgan County Substance Abuse Council, requested approval of three grants from the County Drug Free Community Fund. The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute has agreed to a three-year spend down of the fund. The first round of grants was in June and this round will complete the funding for the year. All grants are subject to Council approval of the appropriation.

The grants to be awarded from the fund are as follows:

Mooresville Police Department K-9 Program	\$13,000.00
Parents Against Youth Smoking (PAYS) Scholarship	\$1,500.00
City of Martinsville Recreation Experience	\$5,410.00

Don Adams made a motion to approve the grants as presented. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** – *Rainy Day Fund*

Rod Bray stated that this ordinance is a requirement of Senate Enrolled Act 67, which concerned a special distribution for infrastructure from the state. Seventy-five percent of the distribution is to be used for road repairs and the remaining 25% is being deposited into the Rainy Day Fund. As a result of this, the Rainy Day Fund Ordinance must be amended in order to accept this distribution. Dan Bastin stated that the amendment needs some additional language before it can be approved.

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** – *Vegetation Ordinance*

Norman Voyles stated that currently, the procedure for a Vegetation Ordinance violation is to notify property owners if there is a complaint about overgrown vegetation; they are then given 15 days to bring the property into compliance, if not, the county will do the work. They then have 30 days to pay the costs for this. If the costs are not paid, the county files a lien against the property. There have been properties that receive additional complaints after the county mows it and the following amendment has been proposed: “In the event the County enters upon the real estate of the owner and takes action to bring the property into compliance, thereafter, for the duration of the current growing season to end on September 30 of each year, if an additional complaint is received by the County, the County may enter upon the real estate and bring the property into compliance without additional notice to the owner if the grass, weeds or vegetation again reach a height in excess of ten inches (10”)”.

Mr. Voyles stated that this helps cut back on the delay in getting the property mowed again. Rod Bray stated that if the property owner gets a notice and brings the property into compliance, then this section would not apply. If it is the second time that the county would be mowing it, then the notice is not required. Don Adams made a motion to approve the ordinance amendment. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**SAFE PLACE**

Norman Voyles stated that the Commissioners’ Office program coordinator for Safe Place sent an email asking if a county facility would be interested in being a Safe Place site. This would provide at risk youth more places to turn in time of need. There are 53 sites in the county and nearly 100 in Johnson County. Don Adams stated that Safe Places should be places that are open 24/7, such as a firehouse or police station. Mr. Adams asked what responsibilities a Safe Place provider would have and how many times facilities are used. Sheriff Downey stated that he was approached about several years ago about using the jail, but there are sex offenders that come in to register in the lobby area. Don Adams made a motion to table this item. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**EMA** – *Donnie Warren*

Donnie Warren, Morgan County EMA Director, handed out a proposal for county-wide EMS/ALS

service including a copy of the proposed budget. They are looking at five locations throughout the central part of the county where they can base existing ambulances or new equipment in a position to respond to emergency BLS and ALS medical calls. Mr. Warren stated that the budget calculates to be 11 cents per day per person. Currently, the average response times for volunteer ambulances is 13 to 14 minutes and sometimes as long as 30 minutes. The national standard is in route in 60 seconds and on scene in 8 minutes 90% of the time. Mr. Warren would like to improve the response times but noted that the nearest level one trauma center is approximately 45 minutes away. Mr. Warren mentioned his concern regarding preparedness for a mass causality incident. He would like to see the EMS service as a stand-alone entity and presented a timeline to implement service as of April 1, 2017.

Mr. Warren stated that he was approached by the Dispatch Director regarding the response time for ambulance calls. Mr. Warren stated that in addition to the family, waiting for a response from an ambulance is beginning to affect the dispatchers. Mr. Warren suggested sending Ambulance 61 or 62 on the call because they could disregard the call if someone from the volunteer department was able to arrive at the scene. This plan would require additional funds in order to still provide coverage for the remainder of the area. Scott Hamilton, Morgan County Dispatch Director, stated that sometimes dispatchers have been waiting five minutes before they even get a response after requesting an ambulance and they have voiced their concerns to him. Mr. Warren stated that this plan could be put in place beginning September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. Warren stated that he would need some guidance from the Board and the Auditor on leasing or purchasing ambulances.

Brian Goss made a motion to request that Mr. Warren keep working on the plan that he presented. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Norman Voyles stated that they weren't saying that they approved the budget, but wanted to show support for Mr. Warren's efforts. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **MINUTES – 7/18/16**

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2016 meeting. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **CLAIMS**

Don Adams made a motion to approve the July 1, July 15, and July 29 payroll claims of \$437,413.76, \$441,265.35, and \$442,569.72, and the July 8 uniform allowance of \$14,100. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the July 1, July 15, and July 29 PERF portion of \$37,263.96, \$38,048.89, and \$38,150.66, and the July 8 PERF uniform portion of \$1,579.20. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

Don Adams made a motion to approve the July 1, July 15, and July 29 FICA portion of \$31,581.34, \$31,882.02, and \$33,597.24, and July 8 FICA uniform portion of \$1,078.65. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the monthly claims of \$1,451,843.78 with the following holds pending Council additional: B&B Lee Farms \$630, Henry Schein \$2,158.03, Merk Sharp & Dohme Corp \$5,196.28, and GlaxoSmithKline \$9,187.87. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **2017 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Norman Voyles reviewed the 2017 Meeting Schedule and noted the meetings that were on Tuesdays or Fridays due to holidays. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the schedule. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **TORT CLAIM / INCIDENT CLAIM**

Don Adams made a motion to send the Kent tort claim and Schevola Incident Claim to the insurance company. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Brian Goss noted that the Incident Claim was for a mailbox that was knocked over when the roadside was mowed. Mr. Goss asked that the Highway Department fix the mailbox. Don Adams amended his motion to send only the Kent claim to the insurance company. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **DISPATCH UPDATE**

Scott Hamilton reported that there have been 14,352 911 calls and 64,642 non-emergency calls. There have been 19,454 CAD calls.

The Dispatch Center is in the process of moving all calls to the county system and not using the out-of-date city system. They will then switch to the P-25 radio system.

**HIGHWAY UPDATE**

Jimmy Waggoner, Acting Morgan County Highway Superintendent, stated that the chip and seal program lasted half a day before the oil transfer pump went out. The equipment was purchased in 2001 and it is probably time to replace it. Two of the boom mowers have been junked and one they are trying to repair. Crews are hot patching, ditching, installing signs, and replacing culverts.

Norman Voyles stated that a resident on Parker Road expressed their thanks for the work that was done recently on the road.

**SHERIFF UPDATE**

Sheriff Robert Downey reported that the inmate population is at 362. There are 3 DOC inmates, 13 inmates on the work release program, and 21 on the jail corrections program. There have been 6,682 calls for service so far this year. There are between 6 and 12 of the jail corrections workers working at the fairgrounds in preparation for the fair.

**ENGINEER UPDATE** – *Annual Highway Report*

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that two bridges (Railroad Road and Appaloosa Road) were added to the bridge inventory and per state requirements, these bridges must be inspected. The Supplemental Agreement #2 to the Bridge Inspection Agreement with United Engineering will increase by \$9,900 for a total of \$123,200 for the four-year period. Mr. Smith requested approval of the agreement. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the agreement. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith stated that the right of way consultant for the Bridge #67 replacement project made a fair market value determination of \$12,700 for a 0.818 acre parcel. This amount included \$7,700 for the parcel, \$100 for a 0.002 acre temporary right of way, and \$4,900 to relocate a fence and boulders. The property owner obtained a quote to relocate the fence that was \$1,435 more than the determination. The consultant recommended that the county agree to the higher amount, as it will save time and money opposed to acquiring it through condemnation. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the \$14,135 settlement. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith stated that Milestone should start the paving next week. Mr. Smith obtained a quote for a part time inspector at \$72 per hour, 10 hours per day, not to exceed 45 days or \$35,000. Brian Goss stated that he planned to be on site during the paving in his district and felt the amount quoted was too much.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

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Norman Voyles

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Brian Goss

Attest:

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Don Adams