

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016 AT 6:30 P.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.

**GRANT APPLICATION** – *Court Services*

Carole Kinder, Morgan County Court Services Director, was present to request approval of a \$62,300 grant application through the Department of Corrections. Ms. Kinder stated there is \$2 million available and the request is due September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The grant will be used to assist in decreasing the jail population and funneling offenders into different programs. She is asking for funding for a probation officer at \$24.32 per hour for six months that will go to the jail and collect data on setting bond for pre-trial release for felony charges. Part of the grant will be used to train 15 people in moral recognition therapy. This is an evidence based program that is open ended. She has also budgeted for a study that DLZ will perform to develop a Life Cycle Cost Analysis for the Sheriff's Office and jail. Don Adams made a motion to approve the grant application. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**INDIANA BROWNFIELD PROGRAM**

Norman Voyles stated that the Indiana Brownfields Program sent a letter regarding the former Stanley Camden property at 12979 N Paddock Road in Camby. This item was tabled from the last meeting because there were several questions. Bonny Elifritz sent an email to answer the questions and outlined the project. The contractor is IWM Consulting Group and they will be removing underground storage tanks and contaminated soil. The cost of the project is \$151,915 and the county will not need to expend any funds. The tanks will be removed in October or November and it may take up to two years to complete the project, depending upon the level of contamination. Don Adams stated that this is right across from a church and will solve a big problem. Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, mentioned that they might need to tear up the road if the contamination goes across the road to the church. Brian Goss made a motion to authorize Norman Voyles to sign the acknowledgement letter. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

**TRIPLE CROWN LANE** – *Preliminary Resolution*

Rod Bray presented a Preliminary Resolution to Utilize Barrett Law Funding for the Construction of a Roadway and Drainage in Triple Crown Acres. Mr. Bray stated that this is for road improvements and drainage improvements in the subdivision. In order to move forward, the Board would need to approve the resolution. If it is passed, the Board would need to set a public hearing date so the public can voice their opinion. Mr. Bray stated that notice of the public hearing would need to be sent to the newspaper and to each property owner in the subdivision and suggested that the hearing be set for October 17, 2016.

Don Adams stated that the Indiana Bond Bank has a new program that could fund this project and a representative could probably attend the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting to explain the program if requested. Mr. Adams stated that this program would work well for this project.

Don Adams made a motion to approve the Preliminary Resolution to Utilize Barrett Law Funding for the Construction of a Roadway and Drainage in Triple Crown Acres. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Don Adams made a motion to set a public hearing date of October 17, 2016. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**FORESTVIEW LANE**

Norman Voyles stated that a group of residents requested that the Barrett Law be used for road improvements on Forestview Lane. Rod Bray stated that an attorney representing some of the homeowners brought it to his attention that the Barrett Law statute (I.C. 36-9-36-3) states that if the benefits are for residential lots that are 10 acres or more, then the Barrett Law cannot apply. Mr. Bray advised that it is just not an option at this point.

**US BICYCLE ROUTE 235**

Rod Bray presented A Resolution by Morgan County of the State of Indiana Stating its Support for

the Development of US Bicycle Route 235. Mr. Bray stated that this is a bike route for cross country cyclists that are passing through Indiana. The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a corridor to be developed as United States Bike Route 235 and it outlines the routes that are best to travel through the state and the county. There are no funds the county will have to expend, but they ask that the county help install signs along the route. Don Adams made a motion to approve the resolution. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

### **BOARD OF JUDGES REQUEST**

Norman Voyles stated that the radon testing showed some areas in the Courthouse basement that were above the 4.0 residential threshold. The Magistrate had concerns about having offices in the basement and obtained an estimate from the firm that did the initial testing. The mitigation plan involves drilling some holes in the floor and installing a pump and/or fan to expel the radon and reduce the level to 4.0 or below. The cost of this proposal is \$9,620 and is provided by Baseline Radon Services, LLC. There will be a digital meter that will monitor the radon level. Brian Goss suggested that one year after the project is complete and the one-year warranty, that a different company come in to check the radon level. Don Adams made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

### **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT DISCUSSION** – *Dispatch Center*

Norman Voyles stated that the City of Martinsville and Scott Hamilton, Morgan County Dispatch Center Director, would like to make an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement in order to let one of the legacy employees revert back to a city employee. The new employee for this position would then be a county employee and would be paid at the county pay rate. The county would pick up the expenses for the rest of the year and the City of Martinsville would then reimburse the county for the position beginning in January 2017. The amendment to the agreement would need approval by the Board of Commissioners, County Council, and the City of Martinsville. Rod Bray prepared an amendment for review and it will be on the October 3<sup>rd</sup> agenda. Mr. Bray stated that the city is in agreement with the concept, but has not reviewed the amendment yet.

### **MINUTES** – 9/2/16

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2016 meeting. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

### **DISPATCH UPDATE**

Scott Hamilton reported that there have been 24,307 CAD calls, 18,010 911 calls and 80,454 non-emergency calls.

### **HIGHWAY UPDATE**

Jimmy Waggoner, Acting Highway Superintendent, stated that they finally got a break in the weather and have every available man on the chip and seal crew. They hope to finish the chip and seal by next week.

### **SHERIFF UPDATE**

Sheriff Robert Downey stated that the inmate population is at 373, 3 DOC inmates, 12 inmates on the work release program, and 21 on the jail corrections program. There have been 8,210 calls for service so far this year.

The boilers have been replaced and the dishwasher in the kitchen will be replaced soon.

Don Adams stated that he has received complaints about fireworks. Brian Goss stated that fireworks are mentioned in the Noise Ordinance. Don Adams stated that he would send out the website address that has the link to the county ordinances. Norman Voyles stated that there are several ordinance books in the Commissioners' Office. Mr. Goss asked that the Dispatch Center have a book on file.

### **ENGINEER UPDATE**

Larry Smith stated that he applied for and was awarded a \$12,420 railroad crossing grant to put down railroad crossing markings. There are 12 locations in the county and 18 markings. Don Adams made a motion to approve the grant. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith stated that he is working with Dan Bastin to submit the Community Crossing Matching Grant funds request. Mr. Bastin stated that he received an email today requesting that information be submitted on the Commissioner letterhead. Mr. Smith will meet with Mr. Bastin to complete the remaining paperwork.

**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

Attest:

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Brian Goss

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Don Adams