

THE MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (*Virginia Perry*)

PRAYER (*Daniel Elliott*)

Additional Appropriation:

- *Commissioners*

Norman Voyles, Morgan County Commissioner, was present to request an additional appropriation of \$33,699 from the Cumulative Capital Development Fund (1138) or Riverboat Revenue Sharing Fund (1191) or Rainy Day Fund (1186) into Account #11XX-000-4442 Equipment. Mr. Voyles stated that the firm that does the monthly elevator inspection and maintenance noted that the elevator pump at the Courthouse is obsolete. They are no longer able to find parts for the pump and will no longer cover it under the maintenance contract. Once the replacement is approved, it will take four weeks for delivery, one week to install, and then it must be inspected. Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the request from the Riverboat Revenue Sharing Fund (1191). Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Voyles stated that when the elevator was down last month for over a week, there were issues with employees and visitors that were not able to get upstairs. Mr. Voyles stated that he has looked into installing a chairlift on the north stairway as a backup if the elevator goes out, or while it is down for service. Mr. Voyles requested quotes from several firms and received one response from 101 Mobility. The quote is for \$19,750 and it will take six weeks to order and install. The intent is to have the chairlift installed and operational before installation of the elevator pump. The quote was approved at the Board of Commissioners' meeting this morning and an additional appropriation letter has been submitted for the next Council agenda. Mr. Voyles asked for a consensus of the Council so they can move forward with the purchase of the chairlift. The Council members expressed their consent with the idea.

Minutes

Kim Merideth made a motion to approve the September 10, 2018 minutes. Motion seconded by Daniel Elliott. Motion carried 7-0.

Additional Appropriation:

- *Court Services*

Carole Kinder was present to request an additional appropriation of \$18,877 from the Supplemental Adult Probation Fund (2100) into Account #2100-000-4331 (Drug Screening). Ms. Kinder stated that the fund is generated by fees from clients that pay for the screening. Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the transfer. Motion seconded by Paul Prather. Motion carried 7-0.

Transfer:

- *Jury Administrator*

Judge Pete Foley, Morgan County Superior Court I, was present to request a transfer of \$689 from Account #1000-148-4121 (Part Time Jury Administrator) to Account #1000-148-4325 (Contractual Services). Judge Foley stated that the purpose of the transfer is to pay for the annual jury notices. There will be 6,000 notices sent out this month for the 2019 jury pool. Kim Merideth made a motion to approve the transfer. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

- *EMS*

Troy Whedon, Morgan County Deputy EMS Director, was present to request a transfer of \$3,750 from Account #1151-000-4311 (Drug Screening/Hep B Vac) to Account #1151-000-4445 (Ambulance Lease Purchase). Mr. Whedon stated that this will be used to pay for the graphics

on the new ambulance. Daniel Elliott made a motion to approve the transfer. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

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

2019 Budget Public Hearing

Bryan Collier opened the Public Hearing and asked for comments regarding the Morgan County Solid Waste Management District budget. There were no comments. Dan Bastin stated that the proposed budget is \$267,456 with no levy. This compares to the 2018 budget of \$204,566. Virginia Perry made a motion to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Paul Prather. Motion carried 7-0.

Reconvene

Paul Prather made a motion to reconvene the Council meeting.

2019 Morgan County Budget Adoption

Dan Bastin stated that the values used to calculate the tax rates were estimated values and the tax rates and levies are estimates. Mr. Bastin read the 2019 Morgan County budget (see attached). Daniel Elliott made a motion to approve the 2019 Morgan County budget. Motion seconded by Vickie Kivett. Motion carried 7-0.

Monroe Township Fire Protection District

Mr. Bastin read the 2019 rates for the Monroe Township Fire Protection District as follows:

	Budget	Levy	Rate
Rainy Day	\$30,000	\$0	0.0
Special Fire General	211,800	73,112	0.0324
Special Fire Debt	88,910	85,000	0.0377
Special Cum Fire	<u>50,000</u>	<u>70,347</u>	<u>0.0312</u>
	\$380,710	\$228,459	0.1013

Kim Merideth made a motion to accept the 2019 Monroe Township Fire Protection District budget. Motion seconded by Vickie Kivett. Motion carried 7-0.

Stefan Lethan, Monroe Township Fire Protection District Chief, handed out copies of the strategic plan and stated that he would be at the next meeting to answer any questions.

Upper Wildwood Shores Conservancy District

Dan Bastin read the 2019 rates for the Upper Wildwood Shores Conservancy District as follows:

	Budget	Levy	Rate
General Fund	\$54,283	\$40,000	0.3543

Paul Prather made a motion to approve the 2019 Upper Wildwood Shores Conservancy District budget as presented. Motion seconded by Daniel Elliott. Motion carried 7-0.

Harrison Township Fire #7 Protection District

Dan Bastin read the 2019 rates for the Harrison Township Fire #7 Protection District as follows:

	Budget	Levy	Rate
Special Fire General	\$141,850	\$53,382	0.0782

Daniel Elliott stated that he talked to several individuals who had questions about the standby services and consultants. He spoke to the trustee, who was not sure why they were charging for standby services. Mr. Elliott was not sure why they needed meeting room or consultant fees. There were no Harrison Township Fire representatives present. Mr. Elliott stated that when he spoke to a state director, he learned that there are 10 firefighters on staff. The Paragon fire department is significantly larger in geographic area with 29 people on staff, but their budget is much smaller. Daniel Elliott made a motion to remove the standby, consultant, and meeting room fees for a budget of \$74,668 for Harrison Township Fire #7 Protection District. Motion seconded by Dave Zoller. Motion carried 7-0.

Board of Zoning Appeals Appointment

Bryan Collier stated that Jeanie Shupe was suggested as an appointment to fill the position vacated by Leroy Brown. Vickie Kivett made a motion to appoint Ms. Shupe to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Comments

Bryan Collier stated that he received a letter from the Library Board stating that at the end of 2018, Connie Feagans will have completed four terms of service on the Board, which is the maximum allowed by law. Mr. Collier asked that the Council come up with a replacement for this position.

Adjournment

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

MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Bryan Collier

Paul Prather

Daniel Elliott

Vickie Kivett

Dave Zoller

Kim Merideth

Virginia Perry

ATTEST:

Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor