

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020 AT 9:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE RYAN GOODWIN AND NORMAN VOYLES. DAN BASTIN, AUDITOR; DEB VERLEY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; AND JIM WISCO, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WERE ALSO PRESENT. KENNY HALE WAS ABSENT.

PLEDGE.

PRAYER (*Ryan Goodwin*).

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Ryan Goodwin introduced newly appointed County Attorney, Jim Wisco, and newly appointed Highway Engineer, Tony Hinkle.

**TABLED ITEMS**

Ryan Goodwin suggested tabling several items (Reorganization, I-69 Overlay District, Vacation Policy Amendment, Appointments, and Social Media Policy) until the January 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Norman Voyles made a motion to table the items. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0.

**LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT**

Ryan Goodwin stated that this contract ratifies the appointment of Jim Wisco at a previous meeting and enters into a professional agreement with his firm. There was no motion for action on the contract.

**WAVERLY PARK EVENT** – *Deanna Geirsbach*

Ryan Goodwin noted that since there is currently no director for the parks department, approval for park events will go through the Board of Commissioners. Deanna Geirsbach, Relay for Life, was present to request approval to use the Waverly Park for a 12 to 24-hour event for Relay for Life. The purpose is for teams to walk at all times to show that cancer never sleeps. Teams may have booths to sell bracelets, food, etc. All the money raised goes back to the American Cancer Society, which comes back to Morgan County. They would set up on Friday, September 18 and the event will be Saturday. Ms. Geirsbach asked that the fee be waived. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the request and waive the fee. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0.

**UNDERGROUND TRANSMISSION DEVICE PERMIT**

Ryan Goodwin stated that they have received an application from SCIREMC to bore under Haasetown Road. Norman Voyles stated that after looking at the information provided, he did not see a problem with it and made a motion to approve the permit. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0.

**WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

Ryan Goodwin stated that there is a new requirement to send the Oath of Office for the Weights & Measures Inspector to the state. Mr. Goodwin noted that the oath has been taken and will be forwarded to the state.

**APPLICABILITY OF VEHICLE POLICY**

Josh Messmer stated that there are a number of vehicles titled in the Commissioners name. The Board passed a Pool Vehicle Policy on December 16<sup>th</sup> for leased vehicles and Mr. Messmer asked if the Board would like to see this policy (or a version thereof) applied to the vehicles that the Commissioners own. Mr. Messmer stated that he has been asked for a policy that at least does not allow smoking in the vehicle. Ryan Goodwin stated that he would be in favor of beginning this process, but did not think the Pool Vehicle Policy should apply to all vehicles. Norman Voyles stated that he thought it should apply to all vehicles except Highway Department and law enforcement. Discussion will continue as it is determined what parts of the Pool Vehicle Policy are working and what parts aren't.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION LETTER**

Josh Messmer stated that the Council agreed that they would be favorable to this additional appropriation of \$167,000, which is the amount of the quote that Stephanie Elliott received to microfilm the records that are in the basement of the Court Services building. This amount should be reduced because some of the records can be thrown away. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the letter. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0.

**EMS**

Donnie Warren, EMS Director, requested approval to donate time to an employee that has not been employed long enough to qualify for FMLA. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0.

**TORT CLAIM**

Norman Voyles made a motion to submit the Stafford tort claim to the insurance company. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Norman Voyles made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

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Ryan Goodwin

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Kenny Hale

Attest:

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Norman Voyles