

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2018 AT 9:30 A.M.**

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

NORMAN VOYLES ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.

NORMAN VOYLES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

**TRECS PROGRAM**

Julie Minton, Morgan County Treasurer, stated that in 2017, legislation was enacted that enabled local government to participate in the state's personal income tax debt setoff program - TRECS (Tax Refund Exchange and Compliance System). Ms. Minton introduced Jacque Clements with AIC (Association of Indiana Counties). Ms. Clements stated that TRECS is a cloud based program that allows counties to intercept Indiana income tax refunds for a debt that is owed to the county, such as property taxes, ambulance bills, probation user fees, etc. There is no fee to the county, there is a 15% fee charged by the Indiana Department of Revenue and a \$20 fee charged by AIC to cover software costs and payment to LexisNexis. LexisNexis locates Social Security numbers and matches them to the tax refund. The Social Security number is not revealed to the county or to AIC. This program gives the county the ability to clean up data and has proven to reduce mailings for tax sales each year. It helps taxpayers get debt paid and information is not reported to the credit bureau. State child support is first in line, then state universities, and the county would be third in line for any offset. If there is a match with the Department of Revenue, the taxpayer will receive notice and has 30 days to come in and pay, or the offset will occur after the 30 days. The collected funds would be deposited into a trust account (and any subaccounts for ambulance, probation, etc.) for the county and the Indiana State Treasurer would disburse the funds accordingly. There are approximately 20 counties that have signed on to the program so far. If Morgan County signs the Memorandum of Understanding, it covers all county departments but each department will have their own login. (The treasurer's office would not collect the ambulance fees or probation fees.) Ryan Goodwin stated that it makes sense to sign the MOU, provided legal counsel has time to review it. Dale Coffey stated that after a quick review, he did not have any concerns with the MOU. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to enter into the MOU and Agreement between AIC TRECS and Morgan County. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**STOP SIGN ORDINANCE** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Norman Voyles stated that at the prior meeting, they had the first reading for an ordinance to install a four-way stop sign at the intersection of Arthur Road and Baseline Road. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to adopt the Ordinance Establishing Four-Way Stop at Intersection of Arthur Road and Baseline Road in Ray Township, Morgan County, Indiana. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**GRANT APPLICATION** - Plan Commission

Kenny Hale, Morgan County Plan Commission Director, stated that a similar grant was applied for and received several years ago; Region Five did not award any grants in 2017. Mr. Hale requested approval of a Morgan County PDM 2018 Grant application through Indiana Department of Homeland Security and FEMA for \$2,427,400 for the purchase of 20 homes and relocation costs for residents in the Willowbrook Addition that have been flooded several times. This grant requires 25% matching funds of \$606,850. Mr. Hale stated that this area has a "bowl effect" and the construction of the I-69 overpass will make the grade separation worse. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the grant application to IDHS and FEMA as presented. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

**QUOTE / ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION LETTER**

Norman Voyles stated that the Board was notified about the obsolete elevator pump at the Courthouse. The additional appropriation for the purchase of the replacement pump is on the Council agenda this evening. The pump replacement will take approximately 6 to 8 weeks. If a chairlift is installed on one of the stairways, this will allow access to the second floor during the time the elevator is down for repair and/or maintenance. Mr. Voyles requested quotes from several suppliers and 101 Mobility was the most responsive to the request. They inspected the area and have provided a quote of \$19,750. If this quote is approved, it will take six weeks to get it ordered and installed. The chairlift would need to be installed before the elevator is taken out of service for the pump repair. Ryan Goodwin stated that they are at the point where major repairs are

needed for the elevator and the time it was down when the fan overheated was a major inconvenience and frustration for several guests within the Courthouse. Mr. Goodwin stated that he was in favor of any reasonable effort to make the Courthouse more accessible for individuals that need to use it. This would give a second mobility option when the elevator is out. Brian Goss stated that he agreed. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the quote from 101 Mobility for an amount not to exceed \$19,750 for the construction and installation of a chairlift at the Courthouse and to approve the additional appropriation letter to the Morgan County Council. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

### **CLAIMS**

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the September 7 and September 21, 2018 Payroll Claims of \$553,481.98 and \$572,254.75. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the September 7 and September 21, 2018 PERF Claims of \$49,923.90 and \$51,954.82. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the September 7 and September 21, 2018 FICA Claims of \$40,015.14 and \$41,456.56. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the monthly claims totaling \$1,498,596.00 with the following holds: \$3,032.50 Witham Toxicology (Council additional), \$9,900 Telemagen, LLC (completion of work), and \$3,750 DG Graphics (Council transfer). Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

### **TORT CLAIM**

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

### **VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER UPDATE**

Rick Baum, Veterans Service Officer, submitted a report showing 55 interviews and 21 claims filed in September. Tabitha Ingram, Veterans Health Transportation System Services, will be present at the October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting to answer any questions the Board may have regarding the transportation van and how the system works. They will need to obtain a cell phone for the driver and coordinator.

### **EMS UPDATE**

Donnie Warren, Morgan County EMS Director, stated that they have 3,033 runs for the year. Medbill is working on a process to communicate with people regarding overdue ambulance bills.

### **DISPATCH UPDATE**

Melissa Franzmann, Morgan County 911 Dispatch Deputy Director, stated that there have been 17,119 911 calls since January 1<sup>st</sup>. There have been 66,311 administrative calls and 27,137 CAD calls.

Ms. Franzmann stated that she and Director Hamilton attended the Statewide 911 Board Director's Meeting last week and Statewide 911 Board Executive Director, Edward Reuter, gave Morgan County high marks for having state of the art high functionality and technology. Mr. Reuter announced that there is a Federal 911 Grant available to counties and municipalities. Ms. Franzmann will be preparing a grant application for \$86,400 to make two consoles fully operational; or funds to make the EMA command bus a fully functional mobile 911 center.

### **SHERIFF/JAIL UPDATE**

Robert Downey, Morgan County Sheriff, reported that there are currently 328 inmates, 1 DOC inmate, 10 on work release, and 25 on the jail corrections program. There have been 8,983 law enforcement calls for service.

### **ENGINEER UPDATE**

Larry Smith stated that there are a lot of changes on Section 5 of I-69 (Liberty Church area) and they will need an ordinance for the new traffic signs. Mr. Smith will work with Dale Coffey in getting the ordinance prepared.

The Community Crossings Grant for 2018 has been submitted.

E&B started paving today and Wallace should finish next week.

INDOT has a call for 2024 projects (December deadline) and the MPO is also calling for projects with a deadline of the end of November.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION UPDATE**

Mike Dellinger, Morgan County Economic Development Corporation Director, stated that they are starting the process for a 10-year tax abatement for Sun Polymers in Mooresville. Sun Polymers will be adding \$1.5 million in real property and 15 new jobs averaging \$52,000 per year.

The Economic Development Corporation, Senator Rod Bray, and the Indiana Petroleum Council will be having a luncheon to gain feedback on workforce issues.

**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

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Brian Goss

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Ryan Goodwin