

THE MORGAN COUNTY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: BRYAN COLLIER, PAUL PRATHER, VICKIE KIVETT, DAVE ZOLLER, KIM MERIDETH, DAN ELLIOTT, AND VIRGINIA PERRY. ALSO PRESENT WERE DAN BASTIN, MORGAN COUNTY AUDITOR; DEB VERLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT; AND ROD BRAY, COUNTY ATTORNEY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRAYER (*Scout Troop 213*)

Minutes

Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the November 7, 2017 minutes. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Additional Appropriation:

- *Landfill*

Kenny Hale, Morgan County Plan Commission, was present to request an additional appropriation of \$4,500 from the Riverboat Revenue Sharing Fund (1191) into Account #1191-000-4321 (Landfill Capping Labor). Mr. Hale handed out information regarding funding for the project and IDEM inspections. IDEM plans on sharing information regarding this project with EPA on a national level. Daniel Elliott made a motion to approve the additional appropriation of \$4,500. Motion seconded by Kim Merideth. Motion carried 7-0.

Transfers:

- *Landfill*

Kenny Hale requested a transfer as follows:

\$5,594.96 from Acct #1191-000-4222 (Fuel Expense)

\$2,970.30 from Acct #1191-000-4223 (Erosion Control & Seeding)

\$8,565.26 into Acct #1191-000-4321 (Highway Department Labor)

Mr. Hale stated that \$284,418.37 was spent in 2016 and \$237,491.93 was spent in 2017. A total of \$521,910.30 has been spent on capping the landfill. Paul Prather made a motion to approve the transfer as listed above. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Hale also handed out photos of a walking trail at Waverly Park that was covered in spots by debris from a recent flood. The Council thanked Mr. Hale for all his work.

- *EMA*

Davey Skaggs, Morgan County Deputy EMA Director, was present to request a transfer of \$2,400 from Account #1000-132-4395 (Instruction/Education) to Acct #1000-132-4441 (Equipment/Furniture). Mr. Skaggs stated that these funds will be used to purchase a time clock that connects to the dispatcher's network clock so they can track incident times, lockers so employees can store a change of clothing or belongings if they need to stay at the facility for an extended period of time, and map racks. Kim Merideth made a motion to approve the transfer as requested. Motion seconded by Vickie Kivett. Motion carried 7-0.

- *Park & Recreation Board*

Joe Tutterrow, Morgan County Park & Recreation Board President, was unable to be present. Daniel Elliott stated that he planned to attend, but was unable to get away from his office. The transfer request was for \$3,100 from Acct #1000-149-4211 (Office Supplies) and \$1,900 from Acct 1000-149-4331 (Printing/Advertising) to Acct #1000-149-4400 (Equipment/Furniture). Daniel Elliott made a motion to approve the transfer. Motion seconded by Vickie Kivett. Motion carried 7-0.

- *Prosecutor*

Steve Sonnega, Morgan County Prosecutor, requested a transfer \$300 from Account #2505-000-4322 (Postage) into Account #2505-000-4211 (Supplies). Mr. Sonnega stated that there is extra

money in the postage account and they need supplies for next year. Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the transfer. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Deputy Prosecutor Overtime for 2018

Mr. Sonnega stated that the drug problem in the county has but a burden on the courts; 56% over last year. Cases in total are up 20%. Mr. Sonnega asked that a deputy prosecutor be allowed to come in on a weekend or an evening to catch up on paperwork and be paid overtime. Dan Bastin stated that the Fair Labor Standards Act allows the county to pay overtime, although some positions are excluded (such as elected officials) and some are exempt (such as deputy prosecutors). Other employees are classified as non-exempt and the county is required to pay overtime at time and a half or give them comp time. The overtime policy is considered part of the Salary Ordinance and it states that the county will compensate all hourly or non-exempt personnel for overtime. If the Council would like to change the policy to include deputy prosecutors, they could change the policy to read "It is the policy of the Morgan County Council to compensate all hourly (non-exempt personnel and deputy prosecuting attorneys for overtime at the rate of 1-1/2 times their hourly rate. . ." The secondary step would be to then appropriate funds for the overtime. It would be up to Mr. Sonnega to manage the schedule so it falls within the budget. Daniel Elliott made a motion to add the deputy prosecutors to the overtime policy effective January 1, 2018. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

Dispatch Center – 2018 Part-time Dispatchers, Part-time Assistant Director

Scott Hamilton, Morgan County Dispatch Center Director, stated that because not all of the current city dispatchers will make the transition to county employees, one employee retiring, and another employee possibly entering the military, there will be four or five vacant positions at the first of the year. Mr. Hamilton asked to continue with part time employees for the first quarter of the year in order to make up for this shortage. This allows time to train replacement employees.

Frans Hollanders, Assistant Director, will be retiring at the first of the year. Mr. Hollanders does all the mapping and mapping changes. Currently, this is done through coordinating two different maps. They will be merging the maps together with the help of 39° North and GEOCON. Mr. Hollanders has agreed to stay on (a few hours per week) through March to complete this transition.

Kim Merideth made a motion to set part time dispatcher pay at a rate of \$15.76 per hour for 2018. Motion seconded by Daniel Elliott. Motion carried 7-0.

Kim Merideth made a motion to set the rate of pay for the part time assistant director at \$15.76 per hour for 2018. Motion seconded by Vickie Kivett. Motion carried 7-0.

2018 Salary Ordinance

Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the 2018 Salary Ordinance, including the part time dispatch rate of \$15.76 per hour, part time assistant director rate of \$15.76 per hour, and language regarding deputy prosecutor overtime. Motion seconded by Virginia Perry. Motion carried 7-0.

2018 Meeting Schedule

The Council discussed continuing to meet on Tuesday evenings, or to switch back to Monday evenings. Vickie Kivett made a motion to approve the Monday meeting schedule. Motion seconded by Paul Prather. Motion carried 7-0.

Appointments

Vickie Kivett made a motion to reappoint the following positions:

Alcoholic Beverage Board – Patty Dow

Property Tax Appeals Board – Julie Minton

Morgan County Redevelopment Commission – Carol Snyder and Daniel Elliott

Motion seconded by Paul Prather. Motion carried 7-0.

Leadership Academy

Virginia Perry stated that it was recommended that she attend the Morgan County Leadership Academy and she is interested in attending. Kim Merideth stated that she has attended and felt that the whole Council should attend at some time. Paul Prather stated that he would also like to attend. Daniel Elliott made a motion to approve the expenditure for both Virginia Perry and Paul Prather to attend the Morgan County Leadership Academy. Dan Bastin stated that there is not

enough money in the fund to pay two fees, but if Mr. Prather wanted to pay for it now, there would be funds to reimburse him next year. Daniel Elliott amended his motion to approve sending Virginia Perry to the Morgan County Leadership Academy. Motion seconded by Kim Merideth. Motion carried 7-0. Bryan Collier asked that Ms. Perry bring the Council up to date.

Park & Recreation

Vickie Kivett stated that she would like a survey issued to see what services citizens want in the county parks. Daniel Elliott stated that they need to decide how to fund the parks. Bryan Collier stated that the parks will be a reflection on the county and will help with tourism.

Mr. Collier stated that they also need to have a workshop at the beginning of the second quarter next year before they set the budget so they have a better working understanding of all the numbers.

Adjournment

Paul Prather made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kim Merideth. 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