

## MORGAN COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY

January 12, 2026

Be it remembered that a Morgan County Legislative Session was begun and held in the town of Wartburg, Tennessee on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026. The Honorable Brian Langley was present and presiding.

Sheriff Hamby called the session to order.

The following members were present:

Melissa Bryant, Gary Kennedy, Rick Plank, Janet Adkisson, Tony Dagley, Terry Jackson, Randy Roberts, Steve Walls, Johnny Lindsay, Vera Scarbrough, Fred Snow, David Hennessee, Vernon Justes, Kenneth Morgan, Susie Kries and Doug Vespie

Absent were: Debbie Lively, Robert Gibson

Also present: were Director of Finance Crystal Garrett and Morgan County Clerk Cheryl Collins where and when the following had and entered to wit:

Invocation was led by EMS Director Doug Laymance

Pledge of Allegiance was led by EMS Director Doug Laymance

Chairman Langley Executive Report:

Home Grant - \$810,000.00

Historic Courthouse Grant \$356,000.00

Citizens Comments: None

### **#1 – Approval of Minutes and Financial Statements**

Motion made by Commissioner Jackson to approve the November 10th meeting minutes and Trustees Report, Commissioner Roberts seconded.

Motion passed unanimously (16/0)

**#2 – Notaries** – Lora Fountain, Adara GonzalezAnleo, Alysha Goodman, Amber Moore, Susan Noe, Bobbie Summers, Elaine Walden

Motion made by Commissioner Scarbrough to approve the aforementioned notaries, Commissioner Snow seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

### **#3 – Motion – To Accept Resignation of Robert Gibson as 4<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to accept the resignation of Robert Gibson from the 4<sup>th</sup> District Commission seat, Commissioner Morgan seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

### **#4 – Motion – To Advertise the 4<sup>th</sup> District Commission Seat**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to advertise the 4<sup>th</sup> District commission seat vacancy, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

### **#5 – Resolution – To Approve the Program & Policies for 2025 Morgan County Home Rehabilitation Program**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the Resolution to approve the program and policies for 2025 Morgan County Home Rehab program, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#6 – Motion – To File for Injunctive Relief**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the motion to file for Injunctive Relief, Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**Budget Committee**

**#7 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-20 – TCI Grant**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-20 for TCI Grant in the amount of \$10,600.00, Commissioner Jackson seconded.  
No Match Grant

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#8 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-21 – Jail**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-21 for Jail in the amount of \$3,750.00, Commissioner Justes seconded.  
Property Survey

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#9 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-22 – Sheriff's Dept**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-22 for Sheriff's Dept in the amount of \$9,875.00, Commissioner Justes seconded.  
Laptops & Computer purchases

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#10 – Motion – Budget Amendment 131-2 – Bridge Program**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 131-1 -Bridge Program in the amount of \$591,191.18, Commissioner Kreis seconded.  
Allocate monies for bridge program.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#11 – Motion – Budget Amendment 171-5 – Home Grant**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 171-5 for Home Grant in the amount of \$810,000.00, Commissioner Kennedy seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#12 – Motion – Budget Amendment BOE #27-35**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendments #27-35 for Board of Education , Commissioner Hennessee seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#13 – Motion – Surplus Solid Waste Equipment**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve surplus Solid Waste equipment, Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#14 – Motion – Sheriff's Dept Salary Supplements**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the salary supplements for the Sheriff's Dept, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

**#15 – Motion – To Approve Contract for IT at Sheriff's Dept.**

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve a contract for IT at Sheriff's Dept.,  
Commissioner Justes seconded.  
One contract for computers & laptops, One contract for radios

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

Budget Process will begin in February.

**Animal Advocacy Committee**

Commissioner Bryant stated that in short MoCo Mutts wants the county to hire an animal control officer and build a shelter. They want to get out of the shelter business. Sheriff Hamby stated that the county has \$25,000.00 in that line item in the budget and that would not even pay for a part-time employee.

**Road Committee**

Commissioner Walls asked the commission about donating the old convenience center area in Oakdale to the Morgan County Road Dept. for a winter salt fill area and chip shed. Commissioner Walls did make a motion then withdrew it until further information and TDEC approval can be obtained.

Road Committee meeting – February 5 – 6:00 pm at Road Dept.

There being no further business to come before the board, Commissioner Roberts made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Justes seconded.

**Meeting Schedule**

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| Road Committee    | - | February 5 – 6:00 pm @ Road Dept. |
| Budget Committee  | - | February 2 – 5:30 pm              |
| Budget Committee  | - | February 9 – 6:00 pm              |
| County Commission | - | February 9 – 7:00 pm              |