

MORGAN COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY

October 11, 2021

Be it remembered that a Morgan County Legislative Session was begun and held in the town of Wartburg, Tennessee on the 11th day of October 2021. The Honorable Brian Langley was present and presiding.

Chief Deputy William Angel called the session to order.

The following members were present:

Earl Headrick, Vera Scarbrough, Fred Snow, David Hennessee, Vernon Justes, Bill Shannon, Susie Kreis, Michael Raiford, Melissa Bryant, Jerry Zorsch, Janet Adkisson, Eli Anderson, Freddie Seavers, Terry Jackson, Randy Roberts, and Steve Walls

Absent were: Robert Byrd, Michael McGrath

Also present: Morgan County Clerk Cheryl Collins and Crystal Garrett, Finance Director 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 began his Executive Report. The following occurred this month:

Remodel of Courtroom	American Rescue Plan Monies
RV Park – Oct 21 Groundbreaking	VW Grant Inspection
Senator Yager's Grant Conference	Leadership Morgan – RSCC
Joint Economic Dev. Board Meeting	

Citizens Comments: None

#1 – Approval of Minutes and Financial Statements

Motion made by Commissioner Roberts and seconded by Commissioner Justes to approve the September 13, 2021, minutes, and the trustees report.

Motion passed unanimously (16/0)

#2 – Notaries – Lora Jones, Renee Pemberton

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the aforementioned notary applicants; Commissioner Zorsch seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#3 – Motion – Updated COVID Policy

Commissioner Zorsch made a motion to approve the updated Covid Policy, Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

Budget Committee

#4 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-6 – Sheriff's Dept

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-6 in the amount of \$4,846.27 for insurance recovery, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#5 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-7 – American Rescue Plan

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-7 in the amount of \$614,395.88 for premium pay for full and part time employees, Commissioner Bryant seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#6 – Motion – Budget Amendment 116-2 – American Rescue Plan

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 116-2 in the amount of \$60,073.32 for premium pay for full and part-time employees, Commissioner Bryant seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#7 – Motion – Budget Amendment 131-1 – American Rescue Plan

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 131-1 in the amount of \$79,816.58 for premium pay for full and part time employees, Commissioner Bryant seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#8 – Motion – Budget Amendment 131-2 – Highway

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 131-2 in the amount of \$153,243.10 for additional revenue that came in, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#9 – Motion – Budget Amendment 171-1 – American Rescue Plan

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 171-1 in the amount of \$754,285.78 for full and part time employees along with taxes and retirement, Commissioner Anderson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#10 – Motion – Budget Amendments #17-28 for BOE

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the Board of Education budget amendment #17-28, Commissioner Hennessee seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#11 – Motion – Workman’s Comp for Reserve/Volunteer Sheriff’s Dept Officers

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve addition of workman’s comp insurance for reserve/volunteer Sheriff’s Dept officers, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#12 – Motion – Approval of Spyglass to Look at Phone/Internet Bills

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve Spyglass to look at all phone/internet bills to see if there are savings to be had, Commissioner Raiford seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#13 – Motion - Approval of \$120,000.00 Tax Anticipation Note for Solid Waste

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the issuance of \$120,000.00 Tax Anticipation Note for Solid Waste, Commissioner Hennessee seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#14 – Motion -Transfer of Enclosed Utility Trailer from Solid Waste to Election Commission

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to transfer an unused enclosed trailer from the solid waste department to the election commission, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#15 – Motion - Reinstate Litter Grant Employee with Solid Waste with the Employee Coming in at the 7-year Salary range

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the litter grant employee also being funded by Solid Waste with the employee coming in at the 7-year salary base, Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#16 – Motion - Approval for Bid and Purchase of Heart Monitors for Ambulances

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve putting out for bid the heart monitors needed for the ambulances as required by the State, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

#17 – Motion – Approval to Repair Roof at Archive Building

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to repair roof at the archive building at a cost of approximately \$4800.00, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (16/0)

Reapportionment Committee

Commissioner Seavers stated that the reapportionment committee developed a map and are ready to submit to commission for approval. The main changes are in Mossy Grove/Coalfield and Lancing/Sunbright.

#18 – Motion to Approve New Districting Map

Commissioner Seavers made a motion to approve the new districting map as presented, Commissioner Hennessee seconded.

Motion approved unanimously. (16/0)

Jail Mitigation Committee

Commissioner Zorsch stated that Bob Bass will still be working with the county to design a jail. To set another meeting when Mr. Bass can meet with the committee. Executive Langley is also going to ask the state about some land they could donate to the county to use.

Road Committee

Commissioner Walls stated that they had a family requested the committee to dedicate a portion of Old Hwy 27 as the Ralph Sexton Memorial Hwy.

#19 – Motion – Approval of Dedication of a Portion of Old Hwy 27 as Ralph Sexton Memorial Hwy

Commissioner Walls made a motion to approve the naming of portion of highway Ralph Sexton Memorial Hwy with the family purchasing the signs, Commissioner Seavers seconded. Commissioner Shannon asked what regulations are involved with the request being made. Commissioner Walls stated that the family just requested it. It goes from MBM Heating and Air to Dead End – 1.2 miles. Executive Langley asked for a roll call vote.

David Hennessee	-	Yes	Bill Shannon	-	No
Vernon Justes	-	Yes	Michael Raiford	-	No
Susie Kries	-	Yes			
Melissa Bryant	-	Yes			
Jerry Zorsch	-	Yes			
Janet Adkisson	-	Yes			
Eli Anderson	-	Yes			
Freddie Seavers	-	Yes			
Terry Jackson	-	Yes			
Randy Roberts	-	Yes			
Steve Walls	-	Yes			
Earl Headrick	-	Yes			
Vera Scarbrough	-	Yes			
Fred Snow	-	Yes			

Motion approved. (14/2)

Commissioner Kries asked about maybe having a contest to develop a logo or emblem for Morgan County to place in Courtroom. It will be discussed further.

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

Meeting Schedule

Budget Meeting

-Monday, Nov 8. 6:00 pm

Commission Meeting

-Monday, Nov 8 7:00 pm