

MORGAN COUNTY LEGISLATIVE BODY

February 14, 2022

Be it remembered that a Morgan County Legislative Session was begun and held in the town of Wartburg, Tennessee on the 14th day of February 2022. The Honorable Brian Langley was present and presiding.

Sheriff Wayne Potter called the session to order.

The following members were present:

Earl Headrick, David Hennessee, Vernon Justes, Bill Shannon, Robert Byrd, Susie Kreis, Melissa Bryant, Michael McGrath, Janet Adkisson, Eli Anderson, Freddie Seavers, Terry Jackson, Randy Roberts, Steve Walls

Absent were: Vera Scarbrough, Fred Snow, Michael Raiford and Jerry Zorsch

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:

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| ARP Funding | Grant for Ambulance – City of Oakdale |
| Dollar Store – Oakdale | Wilson Building |
| RV Park – PUD (water/sewer) | Leadership Classes |
| Flat Rock Park | |

Citizens Comments: None

#1 – Approval of Minutes and Financial Statements

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

Motion passed unanimously (14/0)

#2 – Notaries – Jennifer Brasel, Amber Moore, John Davis, Brian Reynolds, Bobby Hester, Bobbie Summers, Jordan Jones, Tiffeney Yeary

Motion made by Commissioner Roberts to approve the aforementioned notary applicant; Commissioner Byrd seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

Recognition of Olivia Hudson

Executive Langley wanted to recognize Olivia Hudson of the Coalfield Community for her determination and perseverance in coordinating a RAM clinic in Coalfield. She is a 19-year-old college student who is trying to help the citizens of Morgan County. Executive Langley presented Olivia a plaque honoring her for her work in the community. They were able to help approximately 130 people that weekend.

Executive Langley asked the Sheriff to present the issue at the jail. Sheriff Potter stated that they have been having some plumbing issues at the jail. They have currently spent approximately \$3600.00 to help with the problem. The problems go deeper than what they had expected and the company that was working on it has quit and the Sheriff is looking for another company to complete the work.

#3 – Motion – Approval of New COVID Policy

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the new covid policy, Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#4 – Resolution – Home Grant - US Dept of Housing & Urban Development

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the applying for the Home Grant, Commissioner Kreis seconded. This is at no cost to the county and will help approximately 8-9 low-income people with housing issues.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#5 – Motion – Approval of Darlene Headrick to Audit Committee

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve Darlene Headrick in the 2nd District to the Audit Committee, Commissioner McGrath seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

Budget Committee

#6 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-14 – County Clerk

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-14 in the amount of \$3,160.00 for postage for new license plates, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#7 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-15 – Admin of Justice Grants

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-15 in the amount of \$10,000.00 for federal grant, Commissioner Bryant seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#8 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-16 – Social, Cultural & Rec Projects

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-16 in the amount of \$33,168.00 for the public libraries, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#9 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-18 – Ambulance/EMS

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-16 in the amount of \$7,618.95 for insurance recovery, Commissioner Bryant seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#10 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-19 – Civil Defense

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-19 in the amount of \$13,190.59 for ORRCA Salary Supplement, Commissioner Hennessee seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#11 – Motion – Budget Amendment 101-20 – Sheriff's Department

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve budget amendment 101-20 in the amount of \$757.74 for insurance recovery, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#12 – Motion – Budget Amendments #47-55 for BOE

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the Board of Education budget amendment #47-55, Commissioner Hennessee seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#13 – Motion – ARP Budget List

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the first half of the ARP Grant spending of \$2,061,224.95, Commissioner Bryant seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#14 – Motion – Approval of Governor’s Grant for 2021-22

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the spending of the Governor’s grant monies for 221-22 in the amount of \$347,942.00, Commissioner Kreis seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#15 – Motion – Approval of ARPA Grant for Libraries

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the ARPA grant for all Morgan County Libraries – all matches will come from libraries own monies – Commissioner Byrd seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#16 – Motion – Approval of Part-time Person at Circuit Court Clerk Office

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the hiring of a part-time person in the Circuit Court Clerk’s office, Commissioner Byrd seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#17 – Motion – Approval of Billy Catalino to SRO Supervisor and Sargeant

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the promotion of Billy Catalino to SRO Supervisor and Sargeant with the increase in pay, Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#18 – Motion - Approval of Contract with Flock Group Inc to Provide a License Plate Reader/Camera

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the contract with Flock Group Inc to provide a license plate reader/camera at a cost of \$2500.00 per year for the first two years. This will not cost the county any additional funds in the initial term. The camera will be at the Hwy 27/62 intersection. Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#19 – Motion – Approval of Surplus EMS Generator to Transfer to Recycling

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve the transferring of a surplus generator from EMS to Recycling, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

Building Committee

Commissioner Shannon stated that a Building Committee had meeting on February 7 to discuss jail and ETHRA building. The jail has been pushed back but the ETHRA building needs a roof, flooring, and windows. The estimate for the roof is \$2400.00 and the flooring is \$8000.00, and this is with the inmates installing it. After all estimates are established the building committee will come back to the commission. They also discussed the hanging of the portraits that were hanging in the Courtroom before the renovation.

#20 – Motion – Hanging of Portraits in Courthouse

Commissioner Shannon made a motion to approve the hanging of the Judges and Former Executives portraits in the Courtroom and all other portraits on the 1st Floor of Courthouse, Commissioner Walls seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

Jail Mitigation Committee

Commissioner Anderson stated that a meeting was held on January 10 with Bob Bass in attendance. Mr. Bass had some handouts to be completed. He reestablished who is on the committee and stated that a reassessment of the needs of the jail need to be completed with fresh data.

Solid Waste

Commissioner Jackson stated that a Solid Waste meeting was held on January 24. The Solid Waste Director gave an update on all the projects that have been happening with the landfill, convenience center and community projects. They did discuss increasing the fees charged for the roll off containers.

#21 – Motion – Increase Price for Roll Off Container Fees

Commissioner Jackson made a motion to approve the increase in rental fee for the roll off containers to \$500.00 for 14 days and this will begin March 1, Commissioner Shannon seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

Finance Committee

Executive Langley stated that a meeting was held at 5:30 pm with discussions about the FMLA policy, internal control policy and credit cards.

#22 – Motion – To Give Years of Service Back to Employees that are Re-Employed

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve giving years of service and longevity back to employees that come back to Morgan County to work as an incentive, Commissioner Justes seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#23 – Motion – Internal Control Policy – Debit Cards

Commissioner Justes made a motion to approve a debit card for EMS to use for gas purchases on long trip along with a state license fee due annually, Commissioner Roberts seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

#24 – Motion – Store Credit Cards – Changing into a Credit Card

Commissioner Walls made a motion to approve credit card for solid waste, sheriff's department and general county with a limit of \$5000.00 and if anyone takes advantage of the situation Crystal has the authority to take the cards, Commissioner Kreis seconded.

Motion passed unanimously. (14/0)

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

Meeting Schedule

Budget Meeting

-Monday, Mar 14 6:00 pm

Commission Meeting

-Monday, Mar 14 7:00 pm