

MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

The Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, convened in a scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at 9 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Commission in the Morgan County Commission Office, Morgan County Courthouse, Decatur, Alabama. The following members were present: Chairman Ray Long; Commissioners Jeff Clark, Randy Vest, and Greg Abercrombie. Also present: Greg Bodley, County Engineer; David Langston, County Attorney; Julie Reeves, Chief Administrative Officer; Jessica Smith, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Sheryl Marsh, Communications Director; Laura Vest, Business Services Coordinator. Absent: Commissioner Don Stisher. Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Vest acted as clerks of the Meeting. Mr. Vest offered the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Reeves called roll and stated that a quorum was present. The Chairman declared the Meeting open for the transaction of business.

VISITORS

Bill Giguere, Mental Health Center of N. Central AL
Lainie Alexander, West Morgan Football
Laura Ritch, Farmers Market Board of Directors
Willie Maynes, BugQuest Pest Control
Lisa Coleman, Mental Health Center of N. Central AL
Misty Cowger, Morgan County Child Advocacy Center
George Hill, Morgan County IT
Chrystalynn Beard, Hartselle Area Chamber of Commerce
Jessica Payne, Community Free Clinic
Mike Wetzel, Decatur Daily
Jennifer Hempfling, EMA
Heather McIngvale, Morgan County Sheriff's Office
Channel 19 News

The Chairman asked if anyone would like to address the Commission. The following came forward to express their appreciation to the Commission for supporting the non-profit organizations they represent by the allocation of ARPA funds: Gill Giguere and Lisa Coleman, Jessica Payne, Laura Ritch, Misty Cowger, and Lainie Alexander. The Commissioners thanked each for the work they do for their clients and the community they serve and are happy to be able to assist their organizations with funding.

PUBLIC HEARING:

**PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE WRITTEN OR ORAL COMMENTS CONCERNING
A PETITION FROM NEW CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH, INC., THE ADJOINING
PROPERTY OWNER, TO VACATE AN UN-NAMED COUNTY ROAD IN DISTRICT 2
WHICH IS LOCATED BETWEEN THE NEW CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH AND THE
CEMETERY IN THE SW1/4 OF THE NE1/4 OF SECTION 33; TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH;
RANGE 3 WEST AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN RIGHT-OF-WAY
BOOK 12, PAGE 135, LOCATED IN THE MORGAN COUNTY PROBATE JUDGE'S
OFFICE IN DISTRICT 2.**

The Chairman brought to the attention of the Commission that this was the date and time advertised to hold a "Public Hearing" for the purpose of receiving citizen input concerning the vacation of an un-named County Road in District 2.

Greg Bodley, County Engineer, addressed the Commission noting he received comment by phone from Joe Wheeler Electric Membership Cooperative and they are not opposed to the vacation. Mr. Bodley explained this is a very small section of roadway that is completely enclosed by the church's existing parking lot and is not of public benefit. The vacation of road will not adversely affect anyone.

There were no additional comments or questions regarding the vacation of an un-named County Road.

The Chairman declared the "Public Hearing" closed.