

MORGAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

The Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, convened in a scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 9:00 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, Don Stisher, and Greg Abercrombie. Also present: David Langston, County Attorney; Greg Bodley, County Engineer; Julie Reeves, Chief Administrative Officer; Jessica Smith, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Mike Wetzell, Communications Director; Laura Vest, Business Services Coordinator. Absent: None. Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Vest acted as clerks of the Meeting. Mr. Clark offered the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Reeves called roll and stated that a quorum was present. Chairman Long declared the Meeting open for the transaction of business.

VISITORS

Matthew Frost, Resident
Erica Smith, Decatur Daily
Tom Camp, Maintenance Director
Vyron Lavender, WAFF48 News

AGENDA

The Agenda for the meeting of Tuesday, April 9, 2024, had been presented to the Commission for review.

After due consideration, it is therefore ordered by the Commission on motion of Mr. Don Stisher, seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, and unanimously carried that there being no further additions or corrections to the above listed agenda; it is hereby approved.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, had been presented via email to the Commission for review.

After due consideration, it is therefore ordered by the Commission on motion of Mr. Randy Vest, seconded by Mr. Jeff Clark, and unanimously carried that there being no further additions or corrections to the above referenced Minutes; they are hereby approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO ACCEPT BID FROM SPARKMAN HEATING AND AIR AS LOWEST MOST RESPONSIVE BIDDER MEETING SPECIFICATIONS FOR HVAC UNITS FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES BUILDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,000, AND AMEND BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
SOUTHEASTERN MECHANICAL SERVICE	\$11,340
WHITE AND SON REFRIGERATION	\$12,960
TRAWICK CONTRACTORS, INC.	\$11,708
4 SEASONS HEATING & COOLING	\$9,800
SPARKMAN HEATING AND AIR	\$9,000**

Mr. Don Stisher, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Randy Vest, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-254

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to accept bid from Sparkman Heating and Air as lowest most responsive bidder meeting specifications for HVAC units for Animal Control Services building in the amount of \$9,000, and amend budget accordingly, this the 9th day of April 2024.

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Southeastern Mechanical Service	\$11,340
White and Son Refrigeration	\$12,960
Trawick Contractors, Inc.	\$11,708
4 Seasons Heating & Cooling	\$9,800
Sparkman Heating and Air	\$9,000

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO ACCEPT BID FROM LIMESTONE BUILDING GROUP AS LOWEST MOST RESPONSIVE BIDDER MEETING SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT CENTER LOCATED IN COTACO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,165,000 AND, AMEND BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

Mr. Greg Abercrombie, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Don Stisher, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-255

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to accept bid from Limestone Building Group as lowest most responsive bidder meeting specifications for event center located in Cotaco in the amount of \$7,165,000 and, amend budget accordingly, this the 9th day of April 2024.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO PROCLAIM APRIL AS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH FOR MORGAN COUNTY.

Mr. Jeff Clark, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-256

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, our children are our most valuable resources and will shape the future of Morgan County; and

WHEREAS, childhood trauma, including abuse and neglect, is a serious problem affecting every segment of our community, and finding solutions requires input and action from everyone; and

WHEREAS, childhood trauma can have long-term psychological, emotional, and physical effects that have lasting consequences for victims of abuse; and

WHEREAS, protective factors are conditions that reduce or eliminate risk and promote the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of children; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention activities succeed because of the partnerships created between child welfare professionals, education, health, community and faith-based organizations, businesses, law enforcement agencies, and families; and

WHEREAS, communities must make every effort to promote programs and activities that build strong children and families; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that we must work together as a community in partnership to build awareness about child abuse and contribute to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families in a safe, stable, and nurturing environment; and

WHEREAS, prevention remains the best defense for our children and families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ray Long, Chairman of Morgan County, do hereby proclaim April as NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH in Morgan County and urge all citizens to recognize this month by dedicating themselves to the task of improving the quality of life for all children and families.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this the 9th day of April 2024.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO RENEW CONTRACT WITH IVM SOLUTIONS, LLC FOR VEGETATION MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN DISTRICT 3 FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR EXPIRING APRIL 12, 2025.

Mr. Don Stisher, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-257

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to renew contract with IVM Solutions, LLC for Vegetation Management Services in District 3 for one (1) additional year expiring April 12, 2025, this the 9th day of April 2024.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN, ON BEHALF OF GEORGE HILL, CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER, TO ACCEPT QUOTE FROM CSPIRE BUSINESS FOR VMWARE SUBSCRIPTION FOR MORGAN COUNTY FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS BEGINNING APRIL 9, 2024, AT AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$44,630.08 ANNUALLY, AND AMEND BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

Mr. Randy Vest, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Jeff Clark, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-258

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman, on behalf of George Hill, Chief Information Officer, to accept quote from cSpire business for VMware subscription for Morgan County for a period of three (3) years beginning April 9, 2024, at an increased amount of \$44,630.08 annually, and amend budget accordingly, this the 9th day of April 2024.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE ELECTED OFFICIAL/DEPARTMENT HEAD TO FILL THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

- **EQUIPMENT OPERATOR, GRADE B05 (\$20.73-\$26.67) – DISTRICT 2**
- **CUSTODIAN, GRADE B01 (\$14.66-\$18.87) – MAINTENANCE**
- **PROBATE CLERK 1, GRADE A01 (\$14.88-\$19.16) – PROBATE**
- **GROUNDSKEEPER, GRADE B03 (\$17.61-\$22.66) – PARKS & RECREATION**

Mr. Randy Vest, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Jeff Clark, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-259

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the appropriate elected official/department head to fill the following positions, this the 9th day of April 2024:

- Equipment Operator, Grade B05 (\$20.73-\$26.67) – District 2
- Custodian, Grade B01 (\$14.66-\$18.87) – Maintenance
- Probate Clerk 1, Grade A01 (\$14.88-\$19.16) – Probate
- Groundskeeper, Grade B03 (\$17.61-\$22.66) – Parks & Recreation

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING EMPLOYEE ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS FOR MARCH 2024.

Mr. Greg Abercrombie, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Don Stisher, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-260

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby approve the following employee additions and deletions for March 2024, this the 9th day of April 2024:

<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deletions</u>	
Dennis Doty	COA	Nathan Smith	Jail
Leldon Kyle Steele	Jail	Deborah Terrell	Jail
Levi Chalker	Jail	Leah Ferrell	Jail
Rachel Steele	Jail	Shanta Johnson	Jail
Blaklea Hill	Jail	Riley Morgan	Jail
Taylor Ricks	Jail	Mercades McCoy	License
Bethany Ragan	Jail	Patrick Thompson	Parks & Rec
Sean Butler	Jail	Christie Tapscott	Probate
Megan Lackey	Maintenance	Adam Stallings	District 2
Buster Hill	Park & Recreation	Megan Lackey	Maintenance
Christina Brown	Sheriff's Office		

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED WITHIN MORGAN COUNTY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

- **THE ACRES AT HUNTER FARMS
EARWOOD ROAD, DISTRICT 3**

Mr. Don Stisher, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-261

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby approve Subdivision Plat located within Morgan County for the following:

- Smyth Plat
Apple Grove Road and J Crawford Road, District 4

this the 9th day of April 2024.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHERIFF RON PUCKETT TO DECLARE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AS SURPLUS AND DISPOSE OF PROPERLY OR SELL ON GOVDEALS AND REMOVE FROM INVENTORY:

- **(2) ANVIS 9 VISION AVIATOR'S GOGGLES (#4334, 4335)**
- **TIGERCAM WIRELESS IP SYSTEM WITH LAW ENF. (#4379)**
- **2002 GMC YUKON - GOVDEALS
VIN #3GKEC16Z32G323129**

Mr. Jeff Clark, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Don Stisher, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-262

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize Sheriff Ron Puckett to declare the following items as surplus and dispose of properly or sell on Govdeals and remove from inventory, this the 9th day of April 2024:

- (2) ANVIS 9 Vision Aviator’s Goggles (#4334, 4335)
- Tigercam Wireless IP System with Law Enf. (#4379)
- 2002 GMC Yukon - GovDeals
VIN #3GKEC16Z32G323129

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO APPROVE REAPPOINTMENT OF GRANT MCKELVEY TO THE MORGAN COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY BOARD FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE (5) YEARS, EXPIRING APRIL 23, 2029.

Mr. Randy Vest, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-263

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Commission to approve reappointment of Grant McKelvey to the Morgan County Port Authority Board for an additional five (5) years, expiring April 23, 2029, this the 9th day of April 2024.

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING DISBURSEMENTS FOR MARCH 2024, TOTALING \$5,538,581.58.

Mr. Jeff Clark, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Randy Vest, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-264

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby approve the following disbursements for March 2024, totaling \$5,538,581.58, this the 9th day of April 2024:

Morgan County Commission Accounts Payable Disbursements March 2024			
Account	Check Numbers	Total Amount	
Accounts Payable	266401 - 267153	\$ 1,263,167.41	
Accounts Payable ACH	11984 - 12088	4,275,414.17	
Total		\$ 5,538,581.58	

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT REPRESENTING THE PROMOTION OF MORGAN COUNTY WHICH WILL BE PAYABLE FROM TOURISM, RECREATION & CONVENTION FUNDS:

- **DECATUR-MORGAN HOSPITAL FOUNDATION (DRAGON BOAT RACE & FESTIVAL) ----- \$1,000**

Mr. Greg Abercrombie, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Don Stisher, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-265

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to execute the following contract representing the promotion of Morgan County which will be payable from Tourism, Recreation & Convention funds:

- Decatur-Morgan Hospital Foundation (Dragon Boat Race & Festival) ----- \$1,000

this the 9th day of April 2024.

REVIEW AND APPROVE THE FOLLOWING INVOICES, TOTALING \$13,411.71:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
AL Assoc. of Public Personnel Admin	Membership Dues – Wrenn, S.	\$175.00
Miller & Miller, Inc.	Nat Key Cedar Creek Project	13,236.71

Mr. Don Stisher, member of the Commission, moved for their approval. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Jeff Clark, it was put to a vote and unanimously approved.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO APPLY FOR THE FY2024 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP) GRANT IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$4,000,000 FOR EMA OPERATION IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. Randy Vest, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-266

BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to apply for the FY2024 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant in an amount up to \$4,000,000 for EMA Operation Improvements, this the 9th day of April 2024.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO CREATE AND FILL A PART-TIME GROUNDSKEEPER POSITION, GRADE F01 (\$12.75) FOR PARKS & RECREATION.

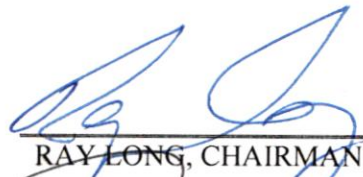
Mr. Jeff Clark, member of the Commission, offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption. Upon the same being duly seconded by Mr. Randy Vest, it was put to a vote and unanimously adopted to wit:

RESOLUTION 24-267

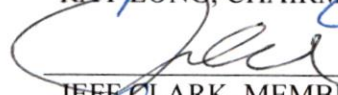
BE IT RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that the Commission does hereby authorize the Chairman to create and fill a Part-time Groundskeeper position, Grade F01 (\$12.75) for Parks & Recreation, this the 9th day of April 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Morgan County Commission of Morgan County, Alabama, that there being no further business to come before the Commission, the same on motion of Mr. Don Stisher, seconded by Mr. Greg Abercrombie, and unanimously carried; the Morgan County Commission is duly adjourned.

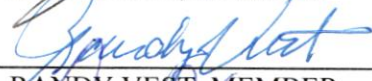
These Minutes were approved,
this the 23rd day of April 2024.



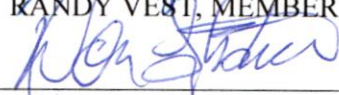
RAY LONG, CHAIRMAN



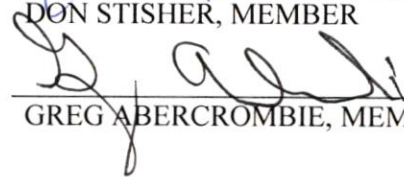
JEFF CLARK, MEMBER



RANDY VEST, MEMBER



DON STISHER, MEMBER



GREG ABERCROMBIE, MEMBER