## COMMISSIONERS' MEETING August 7, 2023

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on August 7, 2023 in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Larry S. Kleinhenz, Carl H. Lienhoop and Tony London, County Auditor Pia O'Connor, Attorney Grant Tucker and County Administrator Tina Douglas were in attendance.

Commissioner London opened the meeting.

Commissioner Kleinhenz gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item was the Approval of Minutes from July 31, 2023. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Approve Minutes from July 31, 2023, as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was the Approval of Payroll. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Approve Payroll as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.** 

The next item was the weekly permits report as read by Commissioner London:

Time frame	New Permits	Fees	Value
7/31 - 8/4/2023	44	\$9,822	\$4,684,245

The next item was the annual Request to hold the National POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony, Friday, September 15, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Veterans' Memorial on the Bartholomew County Courthouse lawn, presented by Robert Miller. This event will last less than one (1) hour, rain or shine, and will including a reading of the 55 names of the service men and women from our area who were either declared POW, MIA or both. The special guest speaker will be Melissa Hill.

Mr. Miller would like to thank the commissioners and the county for supporting this event and for the ongoing support provided to veterans. The day is observed annually on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of September to honor POW/MIA and helps to provide closure for their families. Approximately 83,000 soldiers are still unaccounted for since WWI. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Approve the POW/MIA Event at the Courthouse Veterans' Memorial on September 15, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was a Proposal for cellular repeater equipment for the Highway Department, presented by Information Technology Director, Scott Mayes, as follows:

Cellular Repeater Equipment for the Highway Garage

- Necessary to boost signal inside building
- This will be similar to what is installed in GOB and Sheriff's Department
- Vendor will install all equipment
- Paid for in the 2023 IT Budget as a Planned Project Quotes Received:
  - Electronic Communication Systems, Inc. \$ 18,250.00
  - *J&K Communications, Inc.* \$ 38,749.75

Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the proposal from Electronic Communications Systems, Inc. for \$18,350.00. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was a Right-of-Way Dedication presented by Senior Planner Ashley Beckort of the Planning Department, as follows:

- BMP-2023-007: Tormoehlen Minor & Agriculture Subdivision
- A request by Delbert and Alberta Tormoehlen to create one (1) new lot (4.02 acres) for a total of one lot and an agricultural tract totaling (+/- 40.22 acres)
- The property is located on the east side of 200 W, approximately 1320 feet north of 1050 S, in Wayne Township.
- 200 West is classified as a local road requiring 25 feet of right-of-way dedication.
- The applicant is dedicating the required amount of right-of-way, being 0.10 acres along 200 W.

## Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to Approve the Dedication as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was Highway Crew Report as presented by Highway Engineer Danny Hollander, as follows:

The crew swept under bridges, dura patched, replaced pipes on 550 S, mowed in Harrison Township, put up signs and chip sealed on 850 N, 950 N and 425 E.

The next item was the Bartholomew County Highway Monthly Financial Report and Monthly Accomplishments Report, both for the month of June, presented by Engineer Hollander. **Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to Accept both the Financial Report and Accomplishments Report for June 2023, as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.** Mark Webber asked if there was a change with the chip seal process. Danny stated that they add a layer of oil, then the new chip spreader covers the full width of the road with gravel, which is designed to significantly extend the life of the roads.

The next item was the Decision on the 2023 Road Overlay Program Phase II, presented by Engineer Hollander as follows:

•	Milestone Contractors (Columbus, IN)	\$ 1,039,165.21
•	All Star Paving (Seymour, IN) (Did not bid on all roads)	\$ 487,463.60
•	Dave O'Mara Contractor (North Vernon, IN)	\$ 1,303,232.62
•	Howard Companies (Indianapolis, IN)	\$ 1,360,727.90

This will be paid from the County Cedit Fund.

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Award the bid to Milestone for \$1,039,165.21 as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next items were Proposals for the Highway Department presented by Engineer Hollander as follows:

### Road and Bridge Signs – (new requirement by INDOT)

- Osburn Associates, Inc. (Ohio) \$ 5,880.00
  - Stop signs, weight limit, curve signs, equipment for signs
  - Lead time is 3 to 4 weeks
- Stello (Spencer, IN) \$ 9,863.75

- Road and bridge signs
- Hall Signs (Bloomington, IN)
  - Opted not to quote at this time
- LA Traffic Signs (Crown Pointe, IN)
  - Opted not to quote at this time

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Award the Contract to Osburn Associates for \$5,880.00 as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Culvert Rehabilitation on Old Nashville Road		
Includes culvert and installation fees. Award to Nat	ional	Gunite due to E3
Bridge quotes did not include large enough pipe		
• National Gunite (Johnston, PA)	\$	86,301.00
• Rehabilitate an approximately 72" tall x 94	" wide	e corrugated metal
pipe for 143 feet		
<ul> <li>Mobilization</li> </ul>	\$	2,500.00
<ul> <li>Cleaning daily rate</li> </ul>	\$	4,9600.00
Daily rate not to exceed four days $x 4 =$	\$	19,840.00
<ul> <li>Rehabilitation</li> </ul>	\$	19,840.00
Total	\$	86,301.00
• E3 Bridge (Bedford, IN) 1 <sup>st</sup> Quote		
• Provide & Install 60" Pipe 140' Length	\$	83,750.00
• E3 Bridge (Bedford, IN)2 <sup>nd</sup> Quote		
• Provide & Install 63" Pipe 140' Length	\$	171,750.00
• Civilcon (Jeffersonville, IN)		
<ul> <li>Solid wall liner pipe 58" existing pipe,</li> <li>62" liner outside diameter 60" liner</li> <li>inside diameter approx. 135 LF with install</li> </ul>	\$	222,843.00

Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Award the Contract to National Gunite, not to exceed \$86,301.00, as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was the Proclamation of Dementia Awareness Day, presented by Sue Lamborn, Outreach and Community Relations Manager for Thrive Alliance.

> USAging and Dementia Friendly America have approved Bartholomew County to become a "Dementia Friendly Designation Community." We ask the Commissioners to declare August 19, 2023 as "Dementia Awareness Day" as we at Thrive Alliance hold a kickoff meeting for this initiative on Saturday, August 19, 2023 from 10:00-11:30 am at Yes Cinema, a Level II Dementia-Friendly movie theater and venue.

Commissioner London read the Proclamation aloud (see attached). **Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to Accept and Sign the Proclamation. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.** 

The next item for consideration was the Ratification of an Expenditure for the Generator Repair Emergency Operations Center presented by Director Todd Noblitt, as follows:

- Cummins Sale and Services
   \$
   3,806.31
- *Repair of Generator due to lightning strike*
- Paid with EOC funds

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Approve the Ratification for Generator Repair to Cummins Sales and Service for \$3,806.31, as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item, under miscellaneous, a member of the audience, Nancy Ray, asked about the progress with new noise reduction equipment. Commissioner London stated that the Council Chambers had some work done but the Commissioners' Chambers had not yet been altered. They were still hoping to get some sound reducing curtains and this project was still ongoing.

Next, another audience member, Ellen Macy, asked about the status of the animal control officer. Commissioner London stated that they plan to introduce the new director next week.

#### The next Commissioners' Meeting will be Monday, August 14, 2023.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

TONY LONDON, CHAIRMAN

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

ATTEST:

PIA O'CONNOR

# PROCLAMATION

- Whereas, over the past two decades, the number of Americans living with dementia has seen a significant increase. Today and estimated 5.8
   Million Americans are living with Alzheimer's dementia.
- Whereas, dementia is not a specific disease. Dementia describes a variety of symptoms associated with a decline in memory or other cognizant skills. Many dementias are progressing, starting out slowly and gradually getting worse.
- Whereas, in April 2023, Bartholomew County was recognized as a dementia friendly community by Dementia Friendly America (DFA). The designation reflects Bartholomew County's continued efforts to improve the quality of life for individuals living with dementia, their families and caregivers.
- Whereas,Bartholomew County strives to be a place that is accepting and<br/>encouraging families and individuals living with dementia.
- Whereas, working together, we can end the stigma that is often associated with dementia and support those who are living with dementia and their caregivers.

Now, therefore, the County Commissioners of Bartholomew County declare August 19, 2023 to be

## **Dementia Awareness Day**





