

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

July 25, 2016

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on July 25, 2016 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Rick Flohr, Larry Kleinhenz and Carl Lienhoop were present. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also in attendance.

Chairman Flohr called the meeting to order and Commissioner Kleinhenz gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of the July 18, 2016 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was the approval of claims. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the claims. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Kleinhenz stated that there was a claim from the Sheriff's Department to be **ratified. Creekside Trucking, LLC, (West Plains, MO)** charged \$2,300 for the transport of an armored vehicle. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to ratify the expenditure. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Flohr read the New Permit Report dated 7/18/16 to 7/22/16. Forty (40) permits were issued with fees collected of \$4,345 and estimated construction costs of \$1,791,217.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: patched roads; worked on signs; cut up trees; mowed in Rockcreek, Columbus and Harrison Townships; chip and sealed in German, Columbus and Harrison Townships; and hauled dirt to 1000E to make a berm along the road.

Mr. Hollander then presented the **contract with Milestone Contractors, LP**, supporting its winning bids for the seven (7) remaining road projects of the 2016 Overlay Program. The road projects totaled \$315,505.85. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a

motion to sign the contract with Milestone. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Emergency Management Director Shannan Hinton requested consideration of LEPC's application for a **Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness ("HMEP") Grant**. The request was for \$15,589 to fund: (1) training on the CAMEO Suite for hazmat, fire and EMA; (2) purchase of a laptop, projector, and interactive white board, and (3) the completion of a transportation commodity flow study of major roadways throughout the county. The last flow study was done in 1998. INDOT recommends that it be done every 5 years. This reimbursable grant runs from 10/1/16 through 9/30/17 and requires a \$3,117.80 match from LEPC funds. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve the grant application. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next agenda item was the monthly **Animal Control Report** for June, 2016. Animal Control Officer Mark Case read the report as follows: there were 152 cases, 43 animals were picked up, 98 audits, 3 violations, 3 fines, 2 bite cases, 4 door hangers placed, 4 reclaimed animals, and 8 traps loaned to the public. The two vans traveled a total of 3,397 miles in June. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the report, as submitted. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Auditor Barbara Hackman submitted the budget requests for county **employee salaries (Form 144s)** for the commissioners' reference. Ms. Hackman noted a change to be made to the Sheriff's Department Form 144. The sheriff's salary is set at 80% of the prosecutor's salary. The sheriff's raise was missed when raises were given to judges and the prosecutor July 1st. The 2017 Sheriff's Department Budget will be updated to reflect the increase and the County Council will amend the salary ordinance to backdate the sheriff's raise to 7/1/16. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to accept the 2017 Budget Form 144s, as submitted. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Assistant Veterans Services Officer Larry Garrity presented the **Veterans Services Report** for the month of June, 2016. The Veterans Office processed 18 new

applicants; conducted 126 scheduled/walk-in/outside interviews; made 359 contacts by phone/mail; made 17 trips to the VA Hospital; traveled 1,719 miles; and had 3 meetings outside the office. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to accept the Monthly Veterans Report for June, 2016. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

County Councilman Bill Lentz asked about the status of rumble strips for the area of **Marr Road and 550N**. County Engineer Hollander said they had been ordered some time ago and would check on the order status.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, August 1, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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RICHARD A. FLOHR, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

BARBARA J. HACKMAN

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER