

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

January 9, 2017

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on January 9, 2017 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 was also in attendance. County Auditor Barbara Hackman was absent, but Chief Deputy Sandra Beatty attended on Hackman's behalf.

Chairman Lienhoop called the meeting to order and E911 Director Ed Reuter gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of the January 3, 2017 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Flohr 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 Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permit Report for the week ending of 1/6/17. Twenty-seven (27) permits were issued with fees collected of \$1,997 and estimated construction costs of \$995,265.

County Highway Superintendent Dwight Smith gave the Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: mowed in Wayne and Flatrock Township; patched roads; put up signs; washed and waxed trucks; and plowed and sanded roads.

Smith also submitted the County Highway **Monthly Financial Report** for November, 2016, which included the Financial Report, Budget Status Report and Revenue Comparisons for the Highway Fund, Local Roads/Street Fund and the Cumulative Bridge Fund.

Next, Smith presented INDOT's Report of **Final Inspection** and Acceptance for the new **Newbern Bridge #26**. Although construction was substantially completed by November 13, 2015, the final acceptance was delayed due to failed asphalt. That material was replaced and the final inspection and acceptance was issued November 7, 2016. The county did not incur additional expense from the repair of asphalt.

Commissioner Lienhoop moved to approve INDOT's final inspection and acceptance recommendation. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Smith also presented a grant agreement between the **County Highway Department** and Indiana Public Employers' Plan, Inc., ("**IPEP**"). The \$1,200 is to be used exclusively for safety equipment to reduce workplace injuries. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to sign the agreement to accept the grant money. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next agenda item was presented by Sgt. Jim Stevens of the **Sheriff's Department**. He had an application to request \$12,000 from the **Columbus Regional Hospital Community Grant** to be used in conjunction with contributions from REMC (\$6,000) and the County Substance Abuse Council (\$5,100) and the Sheriff's budget for the purchase of one (1) TruNarc handheld narcotics analyzer totaling roughly \$26,000. The analyzer provides rapid identification of suspected narcotics without direct contact. It can scan directly through plastic or glass to minimize contamination, reduce exposure and preserve evidence. Stevens said officers have gone down from handling the potentially lethal fentanyl, a cutting agent in heroin. According to the product specifications, TruNarc also identifies emerging threats, such as, dibutylone, furanyl fentanyl, U-47700 and W-18. Commissioner Flohr motioned to approve the grant application. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next agenda item was the ratification of a reimbursable **grant application** requesting \$3,600 through the **Department of Homeland Security** to purchase 60 Officer Survival Patrol Pocket Packs. Cpt. Dave Steinkoenig from the Sheriff's Department described the compact, individual trauma kits to be carried on the officer's person. Commissioner Lienhoop moved to accept the grant application. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Also to be ratified were two (2) invoices received from **Dunlap & Company, Inc.** for repairs made to the **boilers at the jail** back in April and June of 2016. Invoice #33222 for \$4,962.88 and Invoice #34045 for \$1,661.29 were misplaced for a time and

are now to be paid from the Sheriff's budget. Commissioner Flohr motioned to ratify both expenses. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Chairman Lienhoop then presented an **invoice from Meridian Title** for title insurance fees associated with the transfer of the Foxpointe property from CRH to the county totaling \$1,189. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to ratify the expense for title insurance. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Commissioner Kleinhenz acknowledged the receipt of the December, 2016, **Treasurer's Monthly Report** signed by County Treasurer Pia O'Connor for submission to the SBOA. He made a motion to accept the Treasurer's December Report. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Under Miscellaneous, Chairman Lienhoop stated that County Offices will be **closed** next Monday, January 16th, in observance of the Martin Luther King Day.

E911 Director Ed Reuter gave his **2016 Annual Report-Emergency Operations Center**. The report is included in its entirety beginning on Page 4 of this document.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

CARL H. LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

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Annual Report-Emergency Operations Center

January 5, 2016

The Bartholomew County Emergency Operations 911 Center released the 2016 annual report. The EOC supports 29 agencies within Bartholomew County for the intake and distribution of assignments for a wide variety of emergency and non-emergency needs.

The primary law enforcement departments supported include the Bartholomew County Sheriff's Department, Columbus Police Department, Hope Police Department (non-business hours), Hartsville, Elizabethtown, and Clifford Marshals Offices.

The EOC also processes assignments to the Columbus Fire Department, 10 Volunteer Fire Departments within the county, along with the Columbus Regional Hospital Ambulance Service.

Additionally, the Bartholomew County Animal Control and Columbus Animal Care Services calls for service are assigned through the center. The Emergency Operations Center is also responsible for monitoring over 900 business/residential alarms as well as activating the tornado warning systems as well as the Everbridge Notification System for Bartholomew County.

The 23 dispatchers processed **140,967 telephone transactions during 2016**. There were 109,342 Computer Aided Dispatch Reports generated that documents assignments to law enforcement, fire, ambulances services as well as animal control personnel serving the area. **Over 83% of the 41,731 emergency 911 calls were made on wireless telephones.**

Law Enforcement Breakdown CAD Assignments %	
Columbus PD	60%
Bartholomew Co Sheriff Dept.	38%
Hope Police Department	2%

Fire Enforcement Breakdown CAD Assignments %	
Columbus Fire Dept.	63%
County Fire Departments	37%

EMS CAD Assignments Breakdown %	
City	71%
County	29%

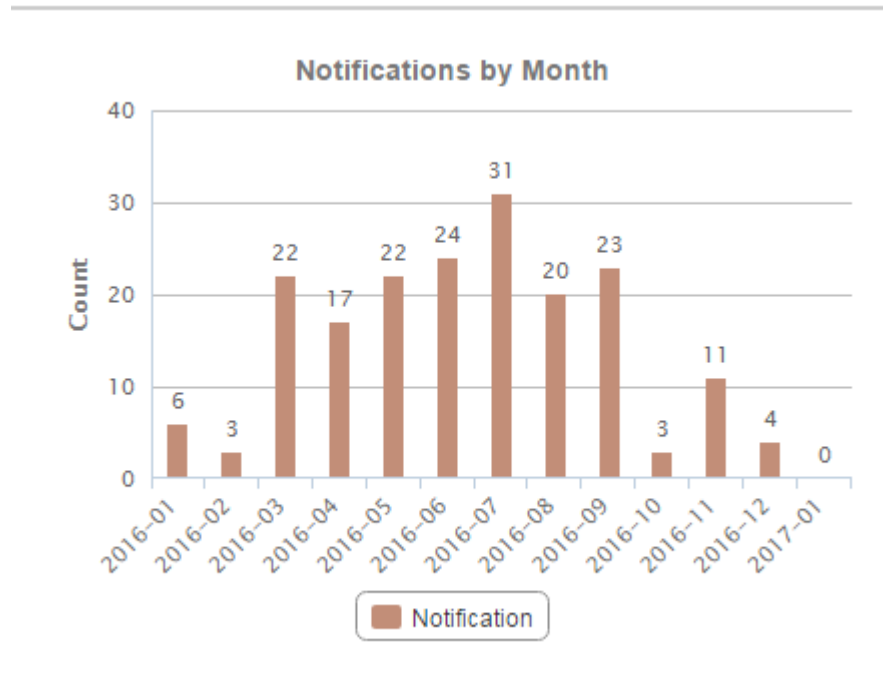
Since the Emergency Operations Center opened in July of 2001;

- 2,661,139 telephone transactions,
- 517,560 emergency 911 calls.
- **1,579,929 Computer Aided Dispatch reports**

Dispatchers were able to support law enforcement efforts multiple times utilizing the TEXT to 911 System which resulted in positive outcomes for the victims who were unable to speak due to the potential hazardous situation they were involved with. It is EOC policy that upon receiving 911 disconnect calls that the dispatchers send an outbound TEXT first to check the

TEXT to 911 System	
Inbound Messages to 911	277
Outbound Messages to 911	4,175

In 2016, there were 186 Everbridge Emergency Notification messages sent throughout Bartholomew County and Columbus. The majority of the messages were generated by the NWS for areas affected by in-climate weather conditions. Other message included SWAT Callouts, high police activity in specific neighborhoods, natural gas leaks, lost adult with dementia, water main breaks, forest fire-warning to nearby homes, monthly tests along with the 2016 Marathon.



The Emergency Operations Center has continued to study the trends of the several types of calls received over the years. The two types (Nature Codes) of calls that have a close correlation are suicide related events as well as overdose calls. In some cases overdose events may later be determined as a suicide related calls is why the suicide related trend chart was expanded this year.

Bartholomew County Emergency Operations 911

Computer Aided Dispatch Reports

Columbus Police Department

	Suicide	Suicide **w/injury	Suicide Threat	Overdose	Total Events
2010	6	48	63	49	166
2011	6	44	113	58	221
2012	2	57	141	78	278
2013	6	47	187	54	294
2014	3	53	213	79	348
2015	7	64	235	75	381
2016	1	71	246	108	426
Totals (7 yr)	31	384	1198	501	2,114

Bartholomew County Sheriff's Department

	Suicide	Suicide **w/injury	Suicide Threat	Overdose	Total Events
2010	7	19	28	18	72
2011	6	29	30	25	90
2012	10	23	44	24	101
2013	6	26	75	31	138
2014	4	41	73	23	141
2015	7	18	74	29	128
2016	5	18	74	46	143
Totals (7 yr)	45	174	398	196	813

** Suicide with Injury Computer Aided Dispatch Reports are classified as they are

reported to the Emergency Operations Center.

Actual # of deaths may increase

depending on the extent of the injuries.