

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

March 27, 2017

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on March 27, 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 and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also in attendance.

Chairman Lienhoop called the meeting to order and County Assessor Lew Wilson gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of the March 20, 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 payroll. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the payroll. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permit Report dated 3/20/17 to 3/24/17. Thirty-four (34) permits were issued with fees collected of \$14,615 and estimated construction costs of \$6,681,390.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: ran the ditcher in Clay Township and along 400W; put up signs; continued crack-sealing at Harrison Lake; patched potholes; removed sand boxes from trucks; and picked up trash.

Hollander then requested permission to publish the **Notice to Bidders for paving materials**. The notice would be published in the 3/30/17 and 4/6/17 editions of The Republic. Sealed bids would be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on April 17, 2017 for the following:

- Hot Mix Bituminous Paving Materials
- Cold Mix Bituminous Paving & Patching Materials
- Liquid Asphalt

Chairman Lienhoop motioned to give notice to bidders for hot mix, cold mix and liquid asphalt. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Hollander also presented a **letter to the County Surveyor, E.R. Gray**, requesting the gathering of field data in preparation for drainage tile placement to alleviate Town of Clifford's drainage problems. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the request letter. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

On behalf of Superior Court 1 Judge Jim Worton who presides over the Veteran's Court, Director of Court Services Brad Barnes presented the next agenda item, consideration of a **grant application to the Indiana Supreme Court and the Indiana Office of Court Services** requesting \$61,500 to fund the salary and benefits of one (1) probation officer. The position would have case management duties for the Bartholomew County Veteran's Treatment Court, a fully state-certified veteran's problem-solving court. The Veteran's Court is held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. There are currently 17 veterans in the treatment program. Barnes said the mentoring program is always in need of veteran mentors. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the state grant application. Chairman Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next item of business was the consideration of an amended **service agreement with Sharp Business Systems for Managed Network Services**. The previous agreement dated 9/12/16 was for two full-time, onsite technicians. The amended agreement is for one (1) full-time field engineer/technician. The monthly rate will be lowered from \$19,939 to \$10,473 beginning 4/1/17 and continue through the remainder of the original term ending 9/13/17. Commissioner Flohr motioned to sign the amended agreement with Sharp for managed network services staffing. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Additionally, **Sharp Business Systems** requires a 60-day notice of **contract termination** to avoid the automatic renewal of said amended Managed Network Services agreement expiring 9/13/17. Chairman Lienhoop moved to sign the letter requesting termination of the contract at its expiration on 9/13/17. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next agenda item was consideration of the annual renewal payment to **Software Solutions, Inc.** for continuing maintenance support from 2/1/17 through 1/31/18 for VIP Software. VIP is the financial/accounting software used by the Auditor's and Treasurer's Offices. The payment of \$18,090 includes a previously missed charge of \$1,760 for the *departmental time entry* feature. Chairman Lienhoop motioned to approve renewing with Software Solutions. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next agenda item was the Monthly **Animal Control Report** for **January, 2017**. Animal Control Officer Mark Case read the report as follows: there were 83 cases, 23 animals were picked up, 112 audits, 2 violations, 1 fine, 3 bite cases, 6 door hangers placed, 1 reclaimed animal, and 4 traps loaned to the public. The two vans traveled a total of 3,112 miles. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to accept the Monthly Animal Control Report for January, 2017. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. Case also read the **February 2017 Animal Control Report**. There were 80 cases, 13 animals were picked up, 102 audits, 3 violations, 3 fines, 0 bite cases, 3 door hangers placed, 2 reclaimed animals, and 5 traps loaned to the public. The two vans traveled a total of 3,028 miles. Chairman Lienhoop moved to accept the Monthly Animal Control Report for February, 2017. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, VSO Tom Crawford presented the Monthly **Veterans Services Report** for **January, 2017**. The Veterans Office conducted 109 scheduled/walk-in/outside interviews; made 299 contacts by phone/mail; made 16 trips to the VA Hospital; and traveled 1,518 miles. He also read the **February 2017 Veterans Services Report**. The Veterans Office processed 5 new claimants; conducted 92 scheduled/walk-in/outside interviews; made 246 contacts by phone/mail; made 14 trips to the VA Hospital; and traveled 1,575 miles. They took their first veteran to the Wakeman Clinic at Atterbury. Crawford is mentoring veterans through the Veterans Court program. Chairman Lienhoop motioned to accept the Monthly Veterans Report for January and February, 2017. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, April 3, 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

BARBARA J. HACKMAN

RICHARD A. FLOHR, MEMBER