

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

July 17, 2017

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on July 17, 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 Commissioner Kleinhenz gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of the July 10, 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.

Representatives from **United Consulting**, Dave Richter and Project Manager Matt Lee, presented the Bartholomew County Bridge Inventory, **Phase II Final Report** for federally-mandated bridge inspections. The county is in full compliance with state and federal requirements. The county's inventory of bridges was compared to state-wide statistics. Expected changes in 2018 will include new scour assessments and scour plan of action schedules as well as new load ratings. Scour assessment refers to rating the susceptibility of foundation substructures to exposure resulting from scouring/erosion of the streambed material. Lee gave a classification summary of the county's 203 bridges. Bridges up for replacement or rehabilitation are as follows:

Top 5 Bridges on Replacement List:

Bridge 50 – 850N over Duck Creek

Bridge 57 – 945N over Little Haw Creek

Bridge 249 – 400W over Denois Creek

Bridge 56 – 900N over Haw Creek

Bridge 189 – 400W over East Fork White Creek

Top 5 Bridges on Rehabilitation List:

Bridge 39 – 300N over Fall Fork Clifty Creek

Bridge 111 – 115E over Clifty Creek

Bridge 73 – 900N over Flatrock River

Bridge 116 – 600S over Sand Branch

Bridge 317 – 25th Street over Clifty Creek

United Consulting's complete and detailed report of the county's bridges may be viewed at the Bartholomew County Commissioners' Office.

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permit Report dated 7/10/17 to 7/14/17. Twenty-six (26) permits were issued with fees collected of \$2,331 and estimated construction costs of \$1,301,520.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: chip-sealed in Hawcreek Township; ditched and put in driveway pipes; replaced pipes on 110E; mowed in Sandcreek, Harrison and Flatrock Townships; put up signs; and took down a dead tree along 300S.

Next was the consideration of an **Interlocal Agreement** for Cooperative Action Between the City of Columbus and Bartholomew County clarifying the shared financial responsibilities for the bridge construction inspection at Lincoln Park. The county, as lead agency, will pay the full amount not-to-exceed \$216,000 and be reimbursed by the city 39% not-to-exceed \$84,240. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to enter into the interlocal agreement. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The last item from County Highway was a letter from J.T. Doane the Town Manager of **Hope, requesting to annex two sections of CR 775E** to the town. See the attached letter for location details. There being no detriment to the county, Commissioner Flohr moved to approve the annexation request. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Clerk Jay Phelps presented the next agenda item. The county currently leases its postage meter machine from **Neopost**. Phelps submitted an addendum to that lease agreement to add **eCertify** service which is a digitalized confirmed/certified mail

delivery service. Phelps said that using the post office labels and green receipt cards has been cumbersome with inconsistent results for their sensitive mail items. Phelps hopes for better service through Neopost's confirmed delivery service at a savings to the county of roughly \$8,400 over the next 5 years. The monthly payment for this service is \$266.03 and includes installation, training and software support. Commissioner Kleinhenz moved to approve contracting for the confirmed mail delivery service subject to product compatibility with the county's current IT platform. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Brenda Mijares of the Prosecutor's Office submitted the **Adult Protective Services Grant Agreement** for consideration. This is an annually recurring grant from Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Division of Aging. This year's increased amount totaling \$269,599.01 will help fund salaries and administrative costs of the Adult Protective Services Program whose services include the intervention, investigation and resolution of cases involving abuse, neglect or exploitation of adults. The funding runs from 7/1/17 through 6/30/18. Chairman Lienhoop motioned to sign the grant agreement for the Adult Protective Services Program. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Kleinhenz acknowledged receipt of the **Clerk's Monthly Report** dated May 31, 2017, and signed by County Clerk Jay Phelps. He moved to accept the report for submission to the SBOA. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Next was the consideration of a corrective action plan to bring the county into compliance with the **Davis-Bacon Act as noted by the SBOA audit finding #2014-04** regarding a pass-through grant. Auditor Barbara Hackman and Attorney Grant Tucker spoke briefly on the current emphasis on internal controls. The Davis-Bacon Act applies to contractors and subcontractors performing work on federal contracts. The prevailing wage provisions apply to the "related acts" under which federal agencies assist construction projects through grants, loans, and insurance. The corrective action plan lists new internal controls that will ensure compliance with labor standards regarding

prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits in addition to any grant administrator, etc. Chairman Lienhoop moved to approve the corrective action plan. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The last agenda item was the purchase of two (2) mowers for the Sheriff's Department work crew. Three quotes had been obtained.

Grass Luvers, Inc. (Columbus)	\$10,744
Batesville Farm & Tractor	\$10,744
West Side Tractor Sales Co. (Blgtn)	\$11,050

Chairman Lienhoop motioned to accept the low bid from the local business, Grass Luvers. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, July 24, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Town of Hope
ATTN: J.T. Doane, Town Manager
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Hope, IN 47246

In re: CR 775 East, Transfer of Jurisdiction

Dear Mr. Doane:

CR 775 East, between Hauser Drive (600 North) and South Street (650 North) is currently under the jurisdiction of Bartholomew County. This is because when the properties to the west of 775 were annexed into the Town of Hope, the annexation only extended to the center of the road. INDOT, who manages jurisdiction's road inventories, only changes the roads jurisdiction if the entire road right of way is annexed. The easiest way for you to make 775 East a town street is to annex from center of road to the east right of way limit through your normal annexation process. If the properties west of 775 were annexed today, you would annex the entire road right of way, so you are just cleaning up a flaw in how annexations were done in the past.

The segment of CR 775 East, between Grand Street and CR 800 North is a bit different, only the south most 0.15 miles of the 1.07-mile segment is currently adjacent to currently annexed town properties. You can annex the west right of way on the first 0.15 mile just like the other segment, and that segment will become a town road.

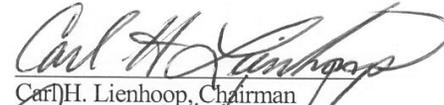
The other 0.92 miles is a little different, since no town annexations extend that far north. After discussion with Columbus/Bartholomew Planning Director Jeff Bergman, he believes that it can still legally be done the same way, except the entire right of way will need to be annexed. Mr. Bergman recommends discussing this with your legal counsel, since the annexation will extend way beyond your current town limits.

After the annexations are made, send copies of your annexation to:

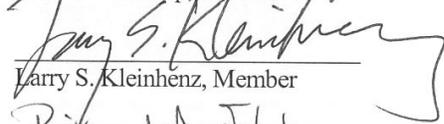
Mark McMahan
Acting Manager- Roadway Inventories
Indiana Department of Transportation
100 North Senate, IGCN 955
Indianapolis, IN 46204

His office will then remove the road from Bartholomew County's road inventory and add it to the Town of Hope.

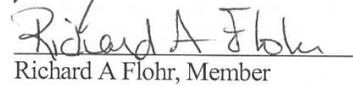
Approved by The County Board of Commissioners:



Carl H. Lienhoop, Chairman



Larry S. Kleinhenz, Member



Richard A Flohr, Member