COMMISSIONER'S MEETING January 31, 2011

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on January 31, 2011 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Carl Lienhoop called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Commissioner Larry Kleinhenz, Commissioner Paul Franke, Auditor Barbara J. Hackman, and County Attorney J. Grant Tucker were also in attendance. County Assessor Lew Wilson gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Next, the minutes of the January 24, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Commissioner Kleinhenz and seconded by Commissioner Franke.

The Voucher Claims were presented for approval. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the Voucher Claims. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permits Report from 1/24/2011 to 1/28/2011. Twelve permits were issued with a fee amount of \$1,111.00 and a valuation amount of \$347,900.00.

County Highway Engineer Danny Hollander presented the Commissioners with an Agreement with DLZ, an architectural and engineering firm of Indianapolis, Indiana, for Replacement of Bartholomew County Bridge #35 on County Road 100 South over Brush Creek not to exceed an amount of \$73,100. This may seem high, but this price includes \$8,200 in permit fees. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve accepting the Agreement with DLZ to replace Bridge #35 on County Road 100 South over Brush Creek that will not exceed an amount of \$73,100. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Engineer Hollander presented the Commissioners with the Weekly Crew Report. Last week, the Highway Crew put up signs, picked up trash, sprayed brine on roads, cut trees on 400 East and 450 East, ground up stumps on 950 South, and patched, plowed, and sanded roads.

The next item for business, was the Consideration to Waive Permit Fees for the reroofing and remodeling of Fire Station's #3 and #4 in Columbus, Indiana. Commissioner Paul Franke mentioned that waiving fees for projects of this nature is common. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve waiving the Permit Fees for the reroofing and remodeling of Fire Station's #3 and #4. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, the Commissioners considered an Amendment to the Employee Benefit Trust Plan due to changes made by the Health Care Reform Act. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker explained to the Commissioners that the two biggest changes in the Employee Benefit Trust Plan will be eliminating the lifetime coverage limit and covering dependent children up to the age of 26 even if those children are not in school. Mr. Tucker said that the Commissioners did not have to have two readings to approve this amendment. Commissioner Kleinhenz then made a motion to approve passing the Amendment to the Employee Benefit Trust Plan. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Commissioner Kleinhenz presented the Animal Control Monthly Report for December 2010. In December 2010, Animal Control picked up 35 dogs and 18 cats, had 3 bite cases, loaned out 2 traps to the public, received 119 complaints or calls that were investigated, had 93 audits, gave out 2 warning violations and 8 fine violations, hung 9 door hangers, and put 610 miles on the 2003 van and 2,404 miles on the 2007 van. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the December 2010 Animal Control Monthly Report. Chairman Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Commissioner Franke presented the December 2010 Clerk's Monthly Report. Finding this report in order, Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the Clerk's Monthly Report for December 2010. Chairman Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Commissioner Kleinhenz presented the 2010 Animal Control Yearly Report. Commissioner Kleinhenz found the report to be in order, so he made a motion to approve the Animal Control Yearly Report for 2010. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Chairman Lienhoop mentioned that the Board of Finance Meeting would immediately follow the Commissioner's Meeting. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lienhoop at 10:26 am. The next Commissioner's meeting will be held on Monday, February 7, 2011 at 10:00 am in the Commissioner's Chambers.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CARL H. LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

PAUL FRANKE, MEMBER

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

ATTEST:

BARBARA J. HACKMAN, AUDITOR