

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
February 27, 2012

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on February 27, 2012 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Larry Kleinhenz called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Commissioner Paul Franke, Auditor Barbara J. Hackman, and County Attorney J. Grant Tucker were also in attendance. Commissioner Carl Lienhoop was absent from the meeting. County Assessor Lew Wilson gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Next, the minutes of the February 20, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Commissioner Franke and seconded by Chairman Kleinhenz.

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

Next, Chairman Kleinhenz read the New Permits Report from 2/20/2012 to 2/24/2012. Thirty-one (31) building permits were issued with a fee amount of \$2,902.48 and a valuation amount of \$1,021,491.00.

County Highway Engineer Danny Hollander presented the Commissioners with the Weekly Crew Report. Last week the Highway Crew patched roads, mowed in Ohio, Sandcreek, and Rockcreek Townships, ditched on 500 East, 425 East, 700 North, and on Enon Road, put up signs, cut trees on 400 South, 930 South, and 800 South, picked up trash, ground stumps on 200 South, 400 South, and Spray Road.

Chairman Kleinhenz mentioned what a great job the Highway Department has done on overlaying Youth Camp Road because this road is now wider and safer. Commissioner Franke asked Engineer Hollander to take a look at 180 West just north of the Jackson County line on the eastside of the road because there is an area that has sunk in and needs to be patched or wedged. Chairman Kleinhenz received a call from Bartholomew County resident Nancy Hoeltke who lives on Tannehill Road. Ms. Hoeltke is requesting that a guardrail be placed in the curve because her fence keeps getting broken when someone misses the corner. Chairman Kleinhenz said he does not believe that a guardrail is needed because it is difficult to mow around and the Highway Department would have to repair and maintain the guardrail. Engineer Hollander said that a lot of times guardrails make the curves more dangerous. Chairman Kleinhenz asked Engineer Hollander to look at this area to see if a guardrail is needed.

Next, Indiana Region 9 Workforce Regional Operator Bart Brown wanted to present the Commissioners with the Consideration of the Creation of an Indiana Region 9 Workforce Board. By creating the Indiana Region 9 Workforce Board, this will provide for the opportunity to apply for more grants from the Department of Labor, as well as to avoid paying the State of Indiana. In 2010, the State has allowed the twelve (12) regions in Indiana to become a full Workforce Investment Board that will give the elected officials control over the workforce system. Currently the workforce system is controlled by the Governor of Indiana.

Ten (10) of the twelve (12) regions decided to join the Workforce Investment Board, but Region 9 decided to wait. The State said anyone who stayed with us will be given a staff and additional money. Due to congressional budget cuts in 2011, the State of Indiana said they would have to start charging for the staff. Business Representative Chip Orben is currently the Region 9 Board Member for Bartholomew County. Mr. Brown needs the majority of all elected officials, which is defined as all County Commissioners and the Mayors of cities that have a population over 5,000, to agree to the creation of the Indiana Region 9 Workforce Board.

The cons to the creation of the Indiana Region 9 Workforce Board means a bigger board so there is a concern about having a quorum at meetings. There is also a Senate bill that was passed that would allow boards to do business by phone.

Chairman Kleinhenz read the mission statement as follows: the *Indiana Region 9 Workforce Board works to ensure Southeast Indiana employers have a competitive and flexible workforce by providing all citizens with opportunities, support to grow knowledge, and skills for sustained employment in the global economy.* Chairman Kleinhenz asked how much money goes through this system. Mr. Brown said \$4-5 million dollars with both operations money and grant money. However, reaching the \$4-5 million dollars mark gets more difficult with budget cuts every year, but there will be more opportunities to apply for grants that are not currently available because the current board is controlled by the State.

Mr. Brown said he is here today just to give the Commissioners information and answer any questions. Mr. Brown does not need an answer from the Commissioners today, but if the majority of the elected officials are in favor of the creation of this board, then an agreement, that all elected officials are comfortable with, will be given to County Attorney Grant Tucker to review. Bartholomew County resident Mike Lovelace asked what the annual operating costs are per year. Mr. Brown said \$2,400,000. Mr. Lovelace asked what percent pays for staff and Mr. Brown's salary. Mr. Brown said it is capped at ten percent (10%) with at least twenty-five percent (25%) going towards clients' training. Mr. Brown said that over ninety percent (90%) of the training money received goes to Ivy Tech to train clients. The Board does not typically fund four (4) year degrees, but rather two (2) year degrees or less.

Mr. Brown said more money will be available for Region 9 if this board is created. Mr. Brown said he would be back in April with an agreement for the County Attorney to review. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker said with all due respect if the Board is disenchanted with the State then why would the new board continue to use the State staff? Mr. Brown said that the State sets the rules under the current system. However, the new Board will be in control and will have more options and opportunities.

The next item on the agenda is the decision on the purchase of the GPS equipment for the Surveyor's Office. At the Commissioners' meeting last week, the Commissioners opened two (2) quotes for GPS equipment. The two (2) quotes were taken under advisement so the County Surveyor could review them to ensure they met specifications.

Therefore, Bartholomew County Surveyor E.R. Gray III came before the Commissioners to recommend that the GPS equipment quote be awarded to Seiler Instrument of Indianapolis, Indiana because their quote met the specifications requested and they were the low bidder. Seiler Instrument also will give \$6,000.00 for the trade-in of the County's old GPS equipment bringing the total of the new equipment to be \$23,380.00. Commissioner Franke made a motion to award the quote to Seiler Instrument for new GPS equipment in the amount of \$23,380.00. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously. Chairman Kleinhenz also thanked Mr. Gray for bringing this purchase before the Commissioners for approval.

Next, Chairman Kleinhenz presented the Commissioners with the Consideration of Resolution 2012-04: A Resolution Adopting an Amended Capital Improvement Plan for Utilization of Economic Development Income Tax Funds. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker mentioned that the Commissioners approved the adoption of the Resolution 2012-03 which was the plan for the 2012-2013 CEDIT money. After Resolution 2012-03 was adopted, \$346,919.75 in unspent 2010-2011 CEDIT money was found, so the Commissioners needed to amend the 2012-2013 CEDIT plan to include this unspent money. The \$346,919.75 was re-appropriated by the County Council at their February 15, 2012 meeting. Chairman Kleinhenz said that the \$346,919.75 will be used for road maintenance and overlay.

County Council member Jorge Morales asked how many total miles of roadway will be improved with the CEDIT money. Chairman Kleinhenz said between sixteen (16)

and twenty-four (24) miles or more. Engineer Hollander said this will depend on how competitive the bids are again this year for overlay.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-04

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AMENDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
PLAN FOR UTILIZATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
INCOME TAX FUNDS**

WHEREAS, The Bartholomew County Council did previously adopt an Economic Development Income Tax (“EDIT”); and

WHEREAS, Bartholomew County is expected to receive a portion of the funds raised through the adoption of the EDIT; and

WHEREAS, State law requires that each unit of local government that receives EDIT funds must have a Capital Improvement Plan in place detailing how those funds will be utilized before spending any of the EDIT Funds; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana previously formulated and did, by Resolution No. 2012-03 adopt a capital improvement plan for utilization of EDIT funds; and

WHEREAS, the Bartholomew County Council did, on February 15, 2012 re-appropriate Three Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$346,919.75) in funds which were designated in Bartholomew County’s prior Capital Improvement Plan but which said funds were not utilized; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana wish to amend its Capital Improvement Plan for the utilization of the County’s EDIT Funds which was adopted on February 13, 2012 to include the aforementioned re-appropriated funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA to adopt The following Amended Capital Improvement Plan for the utilization during calendar years 2012 and 2013 of the county’s portion of the EDIT funds:

1. Up to the sum of Six Hundred Thousand Five Hundred and Five Dollars (\$600,505.00) will be utilized during calendar year 2012 for public safety purposes. It is

anticipated that up to One Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$169,000.00) will be utilized to purchase cars and radios for the Sheriff's Department and that up to Four Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Five Hundred Five Dollars (\$431,505.00) will be utilized to assist in paying the County portion of the Emergency Operations Center Expense. For calendar year 2013, the amount of funds utilized for public safety purposes will be adjusted based upon EDIT funds anticipated.

2. Up to the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) will be deposited into an Economic Development Fund in calendar years 2012 and 2013 to be utilized for future economic development projects.

3. Up to the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000.00) will be used to obtain two (2) seats on the Columbus Economic Development Board in calendar years 2012 and 2013. One membership shall be utilized by a Bartholomew County Commissioner and one membership shall be utilized by a Bartholomew County Council member.

4. Up to the sum of Eight Hundred Eleven Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-Nine Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (\$811,459.75) will be utilized during calendar year 2012 for general maintenance and repair of county roads. For calendar year 2013, the amount of funds utilized for general maintenance and repair of county roads will be adjusted based upon the EDIT funds anticipated.

5. Of the amount referred to in paragraph four (4) above, up to the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) may be utilized during calendar year 2012 and 2013 on the following specific projects:

- A. Up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) on improvements to Whitehorse Rd.
- B. Up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) on improvements to Old Nashville/Baker Hollow Rd.
- C. Up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) on efforts to protect and/or stabilize the Southern Crossing Bridge.

6. Upon passage of this resolution and proper appropriation by the Bartholomew County Council, the Bartholomew County Auditor is authorized to distribute the County's portion of the EDIT Funds consistent with the provision of this Capital Improvement Plan.

7. That this Resolution and Capital Improvement Plan shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA**

S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz
Larry S. Kleinhenz, Chairman

S/s Paul Franke
Paul Franke, Member

Absent
Carl H. Lienhoop, Member

ATTEST:

By: S/s Barbara J. Hackman
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor of
Bartholomew County, Indiana

Commissioner Franke asked where in Resolution 2012-04 the additional amount of \$346,919.75 is shown. County Attorney Tucker said that this money was added into the general maintenance and repair of county road CEDIT monies which is show on #4 of Resolution 2012-04. Chairman Kleinhenz made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-04 which adopted an amended Capital Improvement Plan for Utilization of Economic Development Income Tax Funds for 2012-2013. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Chairman Kleinhenz presented the Commissioners with the Consideration of the 2nd Reading of the following Ordinance amending Ordinance 2001-03 for Purposes of Adding a Newly Created and Designated Fund to the List of Funds Separately Held by the Bartholomew County Treasurer.

County Attorney J. Grant Tucker said that County government has a number of funds that are separate line items and maintain their money separately but are all invested by the Treasurer. The vast majority of the funds are drain funds, but recently the Bartholomew County Courts, being consistent with State law, started an Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) program. The State gave them a grant in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in seed money to begin this program. There will be an additional Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) collected for every divorce to perpetuate the ADR Fund.

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2001-03 FOR PURPOSES OF
ADDING A NEWLY CREATED AND DESIGNATED FUND TO THE LIST OF
FUNDS SEPARATELY HELD BY THE BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
TREASURER**

WHEREAS, Bartholomew County has, by Ordinance 2001-03 designated certain named and enumerated funds from which the Bartholomew County Treasurer is authorized to invest and reinvest money from said funds; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to add a newly created and designated fund to the aforementioned list of funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana, as follows:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 2001-03 is hereby amended to add to Section 2, DESIGNATION OF FUNDS, the following newly created and designated fund:

Fund Number: 687 Fund Name/Title: ADR (Alternative Dispute Resolution).

SECTION 2. Hereafter, the Bartholomew County Treasurer is authorized to invest and reinvest money from this fund in the same way as other funds established by Ordinance No. 2001-03.

SECTION 3. Ordinance No. 2001-03 shall remain unchanged in all other respects.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED ON FIRST READING THIS 20th day of February, 2012.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA**

S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz
Larry S. Kleinhenz, Chairman

S/s Paul Franke
Paul Franke, Member

S/s Carl H. Lienhoop
Carl H. Lienhoop, Member

ATTEST:

By: S/s Barbara J. Hackman
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor of
Bartholomew County, Indiana

PASSED ON SECOND READING THIS 27th day of February, 2012.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA**

S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz
Larry S. Kleinhenz, Chairman

S/s Paul Franke
Paul Franke, Member

Absent
Carl H. Lienhoop, Member

ATTEST:

By: S/s Barbara J. Hackman
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor of
Bartholomew County, Indiana

Chairman Kleinhenz opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, Chairman Kleinhenz closed the public hearing. County Attorney Tucker added that the divorce disputes, especially those involving children, need to be resolved through mediation. Therefore, the ADR Fund will be used to underwrite the mediation process. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-03 on 2nd Reading which amends Ordinance 2001-03 for the purposes of adding newly created and designated fund to the list of funds separately held by the Bartholomew County Treasurer. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Solid Waste Management District Education Coordinator Emily Hodnett presented the Commissioners with the Recycling Center Totals Report for 2011. Ms. Hodnett said the numbers are consistent in the report except for two (2) large increases. The first increase was shown in at the convenience sites (the Abitibi sites). They saw in increase of three hundred (300) tons of paper recycled compared to 2010. The second increase occurred at the roll off containers at the Harrison site. They increased by twenty-two (22) tons. Ms. Hodnett attributes both of these increases to Bartholomew County residents staying closer to home to recycle.

Bartholomew County resident Mike Lovelace asked the Commissioners why the County does not recycle the asphalt shingles. Both Chairman Kleinhenz and Ms. Hodnett did not have an answer, but Ms. Hodnett added that recycling those shingles might be too expensive, but suggested that Mr. Lovelace talk with Solid Waste Management District Director Jim Murray about this. Mr. Lovelace said that he would like the Commissioners and Mr. Murray to check on recycling the asphalt shingles because this would keep the landfill from filling up with recyclable items. A new landfill costs approximately \$700,000.00 to create. To learn more about recycling those shingles, Mr. Lovelace suggested looking at the website www.shinglerecycling.org.

Ms. Hodnett mentioned that there are several upcoming events to keep in mind. Those include: Load Senior Days on Wednesday, March 21st and Wednesday, March 28th where seniors can have one (1) load of mulch or compost loaded into their vehicle for free from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you are not a senior citizen, regular loading of mulch or compost will begin on April 13th from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at a cost of \$10.00 per load. The annual Earth Day celebration will take place on Saturday, April 21st from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Columbus/Bartholomew Recycling Center. Activities for Earth Day include: Amnesty Day, a plant swap, a hot dog roast, children's activities, etc. Finally, the second annual Tox-A-Way Day will be held on Saturday, May 12th at the Bartholomew County Fairgrounds. To learn more about these activities or the Bartholomew County Solid Waste Management District please visit <http://www.bcswmd.com>. Ms. Hodnett mentioned that she is leaving her job as

Education Coordinator for the Solid Waste Management District to become a college recruiter for Cummins. The Commissioners thanked Ms. Hodnett for her service to the County.

Next, Commissioner Franke presented the Commissioners with the January 2012 Monthly Animal Control Report. In January 2012, Animal Control took eighteen (18) dogs and twenty-eight (28) cats to the Humane Society, had one hundred forty-three (143) audits, thirteen violations, five (5) fines, one (1) bat bite case, hung ten (10) door hangers, had three (3) animals reclaimed, loaned out five (5) traps to the public, and had a total of one hundred thirteen (113) cases. Van #1 was driven 2,355 miles, and Van #2 was driven 1,413 miles. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the Animal Control Monthly Report for January 2012. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Kleinhenz at 10:49 am. The next Commissioner's meeting will be on Monday, March 5, 2012 at 10:00 am in the Commissioner's Chambers.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, CHAIRMAN

PAUL FRANKE, MEMBER

ABSENT

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

ATTEST:

BARBARA J. HACKMAN, AUDITOR