

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

May 5, 2014

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on May 5, 2014 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Carl Lienhoop called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners Larry Kleinhenz and Rick Flohr, County Attorney J. Grant Tucker and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also in attendance.

Catherine Greenlee from the Auditor's Office gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the April 28, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Flohr, and the motion passed unanimously.

Next was the approval of claims. The Commissioners asked on behalf of John Dishinger, in the audience, if property tax refunds shown on the claims report were for the prior billing period. Auditor Hackman stated that these refunds, approved by PTABOA review, stem from appeals for last year's tax billing or prior in which the taxes for those properties have already been paid. Appeals/corrections made to the current year tax bills generate corrected tax statements for the property owner. Mike Lovelace, in the audience, asked if tax refunds include interest. Auditor Hackman said that interest is paid and is based on the appealed year's tax rate. Another clarification was requested on a claim for \$5,855 for Bridge #26 (Newbern Bridge). Engineer Hollander responded that some changes to the environmental document for that project were necessary due to the changed definition of "wetland". Commissioner Flohr made a motion to approve the claims. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was the weekly permit report. Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permit Report dated 4/28/14 to 5/2/14. Thirty-seven (37) permits had been issued with a

fee amount of \$5,991 and an estimated construction cost of \$2,223,510. Fees collected for the month of April, 2014 totaled \$25,603.06.

Engineer Danny Hollander asked for the consideration of a Notice to Bidders for the 2014 Overlay Program for the County Highway Department to be opened on May 27, 2014. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the Notice to Bidders for the 2014 Overlay Program. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Engineer Hollander presented a change order to the original contract with Strand Associates for the 600N Project. There was a minor profile grade adjustment over one of the culvert pipes that cost an additional \$550. There was a total under-run on the quantities for the whole project resulting in a deduction of \$46,662.40. Chemical stabilization was needed to get proper road compaction and resulted in an additional \$20,002.37. And finally, there was additional ditch erosion control work which cost \$2,475. The grand total of these adjustments equaled a deduction of \$23,635.03. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the Change Order to the original contract with Strand Associates for the 600N Project as presented. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Engineer Hollander submitted the Bartholomew County Highway Monthly Report for April, 2014 which included the April Crew Work, Project Status, and upcoming May Crew Priorities. He also gave the County Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: put up signs, patched roads, picked up trash, ran the ditcher on Base Road, 750S, 850S and 600S, placed stone along road shoulders, and put in driveway and field entrance pipes on 700N, 525E, 550S, Carr Hill Road, 475W, Royalview Subdivision, Jewell Village and Old Nashville Road.

Next, Senior Planner Thom Weintraut submitted a right-of-way dedication of 0.20 acres for the Schoettmer Minor Subdivision in Harrison Township. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to accept the Right-of-Way Dedication MIP-14-04 for

Schoettmer Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Weintraut also submitted a right-of-way dedication of 1.19 acres for the Chandler Minor Subdivision in Ohio Township. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to approve the Right-of-Way Dedication MIP-14-05 for Chandler Minor Subdivision. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Next on the agenda, Carla Wolff, Assistant Director, presented a proposal from the Health Department for the purchase of one (1) tympanometer with pure tone audiometer for use by the school nurse to conduct hearing tests. The Commissioners read the following four (4) bids:

McKesson Medical (Louisville, KY)	\$3,124.76
Audiometric Services (Loveland, OH)	\$3,624.00
Lipin/Dietz Associates, Inc. (Guilford, CT)	\$3,484.00
School Health (Hanover Park, IL)	\$4,072.00

Commissioner Flohr made a motion to accept the low bid of \$3,124.76 from McKesson Medical for the purchase of one (1) tympanometer with pure tone audiometer. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Next was the consideration of the 2014 Tax Sale Work Plan pursuant to the Tax Sale Support Services Addendum to the SRI Services Master Agreement with SRI, Incorporated. SRI assists the County Auditor and Treasurer with the execution of tax sales according to statute. This year the fee will be lowered to \$70 per property sold. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to enter into the 2014 Tax Sale Work Plan and Addendum to the SRI Services Master Agreement with SRI, Incorporated. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

It was announced that the County Offices would be closed Tuesday, May 6, 2014 for the Primary Election. Election results would be posted on the County's website, www.bartholomew.in.gov.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lienhoop at 10:35 a.m. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, May 12, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

CARL H. LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

RICHARD A. FLOHR, MEMBER

ATTEST:

BARBARA J. HACKMAN