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**BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**December 11, 2012**

The Bartholomew County Council met on December 11, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Members present were: President Bill Lentz, Pro-Tem Jorge Morales, Rob Kittle, Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence, Ryan Lauer, and Larry Fisher. Chris Ogle was absent. Auditor Barbara J. Hackman and County Council Attorney Rod McGillivray were also in attendance.

Council President Bill Lentz called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. and gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Lentz gave Larry Fisher a small gift in appreciation of his time served on the County Council. Mr. Fisher will become the County Coroner on January 1, 2013.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes of November 13, 2012. Larry Fisher motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Rob Kittle seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was an additional appropriation request by Judge Chris Monroe. He requested nine-thousand three-hundred sixty-nine dollars and fifty cents (\$9,369.50) to cover jury expenditures. Larry Fisher motioned to approve the additional appropriation request. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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The next item on the agenda was an additional appropriation request by Coroner Allen Smith. He requested seven-thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) to cover some bills and stipends for professional services. He had originally thought he would need eight-thousand (\$8,000.00) but believes the seven-thousand (\$7,000.00) would suffice. Ryan Lauer motioned to approve the request for seven-thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) additional appropriation for the Coroner. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was an additional appropriation for the Sheriff/Jail presented by Major Gary Myers. They are requesting six-thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) that was reimbursed into County General by the Bartholomew County Residential Program in which the Jail feeds their participants. Larry Fisher motioned to approve the request for six-thousand dollars (\$6,000.00). Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a request for transfer of funds by Judge Kathleen Coriden from her 390 fund to her 440 fund to purchase ten (10) twenty-four inch (24") computer monitors. The request was for two-thousand two-hundred twenty-nine dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$2,229.99) but it was suggested to make it two-thousand two-hundred thirty dollars (\$2,230.00). Jorge Morales motioned to approve the transfer of two-thousand two hundred and thirty dollars (\$2,230.00) from the 390 fund to the 440 fund. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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The next item on the agenda was the Youth Services Center. Anita Biehle, Assistant Director, requested moving nine-thousand dollars (\$9,000.00) from the food line item to the machinery and equipment so they could purchase new locks to replace old, failing locks. Rob Kittle made a motion to approve the transfer of nine-thousand dollars (\$9,000.00). Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Assistant Director Biehle also requested a transfer of fourteen-thousand thirteen dollars (\$14,013.00) to cover the 01-18, 01-20, 01-24, 01-28 and 01-29 through the end of 2012 for employee pay. Larry Fisher motioned to approve the fourteen-thousand thirteen dollars (\$14,013.00). Jorge Morales seconded the motion. Ryan Lauer questioned the comparable from last year at this time. Assistant Director Biehle noted that their child care days were up which requires more staff on site as opposed to being able to send staff home. They currently have eleven (11) in detention, four (4) in shelter and eight (8) in day treatment. They have received the money for day treatment which was placed in County General. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked how many were on the home system. Assistant Director Biehle believes that number to be eight (8). Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked what the staff did while the students were in class. Assistant Director Biehle stated that they must be in the classroom with them. Ryan Lauer asked what the current balance was in the 100 series. Auditor Hackman stated that there is approximately one-hundred thirty-four thousand dollars (\$134,000). Ryan then asked why they would need the additional. Assistant Director Biehle stated that the amount of

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one-hundred thirty-four thousand dollars (\$134,000) did not deduct the pay going out this Friday. The vote was called for and passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was for the County Council transfer of eight-hundred two dollars (\$802.00) of which five-hundred forty-two dollars (\$542.00) to meet the one percent (1%) 2012 salary increase for the Council and two-hundred sixty dollars (\$260.00) for Professional Services to cover charges by consultant Kent Irwin. Larry Fisher motioned to approve the transfer of eight-hundred two dollars (\$802.00). Rob Kittle seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the County Treasurer for a transfer. Treasurer Pio O'Connor requested a transfer of two-thousand two-hundred dollars (\$2,200.00) from the 300's to the 100's to cover paying an employee for vacation time. Said employee will not be employed with the Treasurer's Office after the first of the year. Ryan Lauer motioned to approve the transfer. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was Cooperative Extension Educator Mike Ferree. He requested seven-hundred forty-eight dollars (\$748.00) for a storage cabinet and two (2) book shelves unit. Erika Bonnett, Cooperative Extension 4-H Educator, has been rewarded over ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000) due to her efforts in the 4-H science area for supplies. Larry Fisher motioned to approve the request for seven-hundred forty-eight dollars (\$748). Ryan Lauer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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The next item on the agenda was a transfer for the County Commissioners. Commissioner Chairman Kleinhenz requested a transfer of one-hundred eighteen-thousand nine-hundred forty-nine dollars (\$118,949.00) from the 420's to the 230 (gasoline & oil) line item, 340 (workmen's comp) and 361 (repairs & maintenance) to cover some shortages in those funds. Rob Kittle made a motion to grant the transfer. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Chairman Kleinhenz discussed how Workmen's Compensation was handled. There is a percentage based on your previous year's amount, but it is a zero balance fund. Auditor Hackman stated that she had asked Richard Hawes to provide information regarding the Workmen's Comp Insurance and had forwarded that to the Council members via e-mail. Part of the increase could be attributed to increases in salary, a now fully staffed Community Corrections and the modifier increase. Auditor Hackman stated that they had also e-mailed the Commissioner's a copy of the information. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked when the Commissioner's signed their contract for fuel. Commissioner Chairman Kleinhenz stated they purchase fuel month to month from Premier Ag as it is a higher grade and they have had issues with dirty and contaminated fuel. They pay a little bit more but no issues with contaminants have occurred.

The next item on the agenda was approval of the 2013 County Council Meeting Schedule. Auditor Hackman presented the proposed dates and times and pointed out the

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few exceptions to the norm. Larry Fisher made a motion to accept the meeting schedule as presented. Ryan Lauer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was updates on Boards and Commissions. Larry Fisher had nothing to report other than Jim Reed will be replacing him on the Health Board. Ryan Lauer discussed the Community Corrections and the effort to get GED's for the women in the system, the block grant funding should be the same amount with no increase and Judge Monroe was recognized for attending 121 meetings. Jorge Morales stated the County Plan Commission meeting was the next evening. Bill Lentz stated that the Extension Board meeting was the next night. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence stated that the Park Board discussed Wayne Township park being used for baseball and that Heflin and Dunn had brought in twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000.00) this year. Rob Kittle stated that the Local Emergency Plan (LEPC) meets tomorrow and the Economic Development meets later in the month.

The next item on the agenda was discussion of the 2013 appointments. Chris West will be asked to remain on the PTABOA. They do need to get someone for the County Board of Zoning Appeals.

Larry Fisher made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence and passed unanimously.

The next County Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bill Lentz, President

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jorge Morales, Pro-Tem

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Ogle, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rob Kittle, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ryan Lauer, Member

By: ABSENT  
Larry Fisher, Member

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor  
Bartholomew County