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BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COUNCIL
August 13, 2013

The Bartholomew County Council met on August 13, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Members present were: President Jorge Morales, Pro-Tem Ryan Lauer, Jim Reed, Bill Lentz, Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence, Rob Kittle & Chris Ogle. Also in attendance were Auditor Barbara J Hackman and Attorney J Grant Tucker.

President Morales gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

President Morales thanked Attorney Grant Tucker for serving during the recent Council Attorney vacancy.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the meeting minutes of August 14, 2012. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence made a motion to approve the minutes with the changes that had been made. Ryan Lauer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence made a motion to approve the minutes of July 16, 2013 with the changes that had been made. Rob Kittle seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence made a motion to approve the minutes of August 23, 2012 with the changes that had been made. Bill Lentz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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The next item on the agenda was the presentation of the Bartholomew County Health Department 2012 Annual Report as presented by Assistant Director of Nursing Carla Wolff and Environmental Health Supervisor Link Fulp. Supervisor Fulp discussed various Environmental Health items within the report, highlighting the different divisions and their functions within the department. Assistant Director Wolff discussed the various divisions and functions within the Nursing Division. There were questions regarding Radon and also the restaurants within the County. The report they presented is a requirement of the State and they have extra copies on hand for the public if they are interested.

The next item on the agenda was a request for the Transfer of Funds within Circuit Court IV-D as presented by IV-D Commissioner Kelly Benjamin and Office Assistant Candy Taylor. The request is for \$595.96 from Other Services to Equipment. Rob Kittle made a motion to approve the request as presented. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a request for the Transfer of Funds within the Youth Services as presented by Director of Youth Services Center Anita Biehle. The current security camera system is running with a fan on it to keep it cool. They are requesting a transfer of \$14,500 to replace the current system with a basic system replacement. Jim Reed asked if the new Federal Law that requires jails to keep recordings for a year would apply to this. Director Biehle stated it was not required at

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this time. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence made a motion to approve the request as presented. Ryan Lauer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a request for Transfer of Funds within the Court Services as presented by Director Brad Barnes. He is requesting an amendment to Juvenile Probation Officer #27. This individual has completed a Master's Degree and he wishes to pay the additional amount. This is a transfer only, not an additional appropriation. The additional is for \$2,500. The Salary Ordinance will be amended to \$1,289.12 for Juvenile Probation Officer #27. Jim Reed made a motion to approve the request as presented. Bill Lentz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

President Morales asked if Director Barnes had any update concerning the health care costs. Director Barnes stated not at this time. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked if the education was completed on County time or the individual's time. Director Barnes stated that it is accomplished on the employee's personal time. Director Barnes stated that they are working with SixSigma and looking at Holiday Pay/Overtime Pay and other issues.

President Morales stated that they could not use this room Monday for further 2014 Budget Deliberations as the room is already booked. Rob Kittle suggested they see how Wednesday and Thursday go and then make a determination. President Morales stated that they will not even be in deliberations until Friday so they may need to wait until then to make the decision.

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The next item on the agenda was updates by Council Members of Boards and Commissions.

Jim Reed had nothing to report.

Ryan Lauer reported that the Community Corrections board had met and discussed the program for women. He was unable to attend the Data Board, however they had discussed the Youth Services Center camera system and the total cost of the Video Arraignment system as put in by the IT and Maintenance Department.

Bill Lentz had nothing to report.

Jorge Morales had nothing to report.

Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence had attended the Youth Services meeting which discussed their needs. She had missed the Park Board meeting but it was centered around the budget.

Rob Kittle had nothing to report.

Chris Ogle had nothing to report.

President Morales had forwarded a report from Umbaugh concerning recycling. City Councilman Frank Miller (*in the audience*) stated that the SWMA budget that had passed through the city did not include the curbside recycling. Chris Ogle stated that the Mayor had not attended the last meeting at which this topic was discussed. He stated that the recycling is why the SWMA is still on the tax rolls. The recycling at Kroger and various locations costs the SWMA money. SWMA is trying to take over all the commercial cardboard recycling. A conservative figure would be 35% to 40% of the

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material going to the landfill could be recycled. The proposed budget does have the commercial cardboard recycling contained in it. Lisa Deaton (*in the audience*) questioned when the cardboard recycling would make money. Chris Ogle stated it should make money after 18 months. City Councilman Frank Miller stated that SWMA had approved this in the 2014 Budget and the City Council had approved it and it is now up to the County Council. He had met with a young man, Mark Naring, who had started a curbside recycling program and he hopes to sign up 10% of the City within a year. Brian O'Day (*in the audience*) asked if the cost analysis was available on line. Chris Ogle directed him to contact SWMA Director Jim Murray. City Councilman Miller further explained that cardboard is the most profitable recycling. Jim Reed asked about the large bales sitting outside of businesses. Chris Ogle stated those are done by the businesses themselves.

Auditor Hackman informed the Council that Erika Bonnett had been named the Cooperative Extension Director.

Chris Ogle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Reed seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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By: _____
Jorge Morales, President

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Ryan Lauer, Pro-Tem

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Chris Ogle, Member

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Rob Kittle, Member

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Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence, Member

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Bill Lentz, Member

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Jim Reed, Member

ATTEST: _____
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor
Bartholomew County