

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

March 18, 2019

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on March 18, 2019, in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Rick Flohr and Carl Lienhoop were present. Commissioner Larry Kleinhenz was absent. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker was also present. Chief Deputy Auditor Dalene Pattingill attended on behalf of County Auditor Pia O'Connor.

Chairman Flohr called the meeting to order and gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of minutes for the 3/11/19 Commissioners' Meeting. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the minutes. Chairman Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0)

Next was the approval of claims. Chairman Flohr motioned to approve the claims. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously. (2-0)

Chairman Flohr read into the minutes the New Permit Report dated 3/11/19 through 3/15/19. Twenty-five (25) permits were issued with fees collected of \$4,169 and estimated construction costs of \$2,812,187.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: fixed washouts in Harrison, Wayne, and Hawcreek Townships; patched roads; crack-sealed in Harvest Meadows; cleaned up tree debris on Youth Camp Road and 200N; ditched on 650S, 750W, and Carr Hill Road; and replaced some signs.

Hollander also submitted the **Highway Monthly Crew Report** for February, 2019, which included crew work, status of bridge and road projects and upcoming crew priorities for March, 2019. He also submitted the County **Highway Monthly Financial Report** dated February, 2019, which included the Financial Report, Budget Status Report and Revenue Comparisons for the Highway Fund, Local Roads/Street Fund and the Cumulative Bridge Fund.

Hollander then requested consideration of giving **Notice to Bidders** for the replacement of **Bridge #66** on 900E over Haw Creek. The notice will be advertised in the 3/21/19 and 3/28/19 issues of *The Republic*. Commissioners will receive bids in their office until 9:45 a.m. on 4/8/19 to be opened and read in their meeting that morning. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to give

Notice to Bidders for Bridge #66 replacement. Chairman Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0) Additionally, he presented the **title sheet for the Bridge #66** project. Chairman Flohr motioned to sign the title sheet. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0)

Hollander also presented proposals for the purchase of **two (2) chain saws** for the Highway Department. Bids were received from Eudy Sales & Services (Columbus), \$431.92; Gillman Home Center (Edinburgh), \$431.92; and Rural King (Columbus), \$539.90. On Hollander's recommendation, Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to accept the low bid from Eudy Sales. Chairman Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0)

In the 2/11/19 Commissioners' Meeting, CivilCon was awarded the **culvert slip liner project** at Grandview for its low bid of \$27,306. An additional \$2,304 is needed to get around tree obstructions. The increase brings the total to \$29,610 - still the lowest bid. Hollander asked for a ratification of the extra expense. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to ratify the \$2,304 expense to CivilCon. Chairman Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0)

Commissioner Lienhoop mentioned that he and Hollander attended an award ceremony in Indianapolis sponsored by the American Council of Engineering Companies of Indiana. Bartholomew County received the Second Place **Excellence in Engineering Award** for its Newbern Bridge Project.

The next agenda item was consideration of proposals received for the Sheriff's Department purchase of nine (9) new vehicles. Cpt. Brandon Slate was present and County Attorney Grant Tucker read the quotes.

Vehicle Description	# of Units	John Jones (Salem)		Fletcher (Franklin)	
		Each	Total	Each	Total
2019 Gray Dodge Charger	1	\$24,940	\$24,940	\$24,755	\$24,755
2019 White Dodge Charger	5	\$24,805	\$124,025	\$24,625	\$123,125
2019 White Dodge Ram 1500	2	\$28,619	\$57,238	\$27,276	\$54,552
2019 Silver Dodge Ram 1500	1	\$27,869	\$27,869	\$27,002	\$27,002
		<u>\$234,072</u>		<u>\$229,434</u>	

Slate had previously verified the specifications with the dealers over the phone and was comfortable with accepting the low bid from Fletcher. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the bids subject to meeting specifications. Chairman Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0)

Next, County Assessor Ginny Whipple presented two quotes for printing and mailing **Form 11s** (Notice of Assessment of Land and Improvements) for the 19 pay 20 tax year. The legislated mailing deadline is May 1st to avoid an extended appeal time, beyond the standard 45 days ending June 15th. Masters Touch of Washington State had been used previously, but Whipple wanted to stay in Indiana. Midwest Presort (Indianapolis) quoted \$16,348.74 and L&D Mail Masters (New Albany) quoted \$17,075.32. Both companies have good references and have contracts with the post office to immediately claim and date the mailings once in the printers' warehouse. Chairman Flohr moved to accept the low quote from Midwest Presort. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0)

Last item of business was consideration of appointing Charles Doup (Columbus) to the Bartholomew County Community Corrections Advisory Board. The term is four (4) years ending 12/31/22 and Doup agreed to serve. Chairman Flohr motioned to appoint Charles Doup. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously. (2-0)

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, March 25, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RICHARD A. FLOHR, CHAIRMAN

Absent

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

ATTEST:

PIA O'CONNOR

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER