

## COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

April 30, 2018

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on April 30, 2018, in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Rick Flohr, Larry Kleinhenz and Carl Lienhoop were present. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also present.

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

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes for the 4/23/18 Commissioners' Meeting. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was the approval of claims. Commissioner Flohr motioned to approve the bi-weekly claims. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Chairman Kleinhenz read into the minutes the New Permit Report dated 4/23/18 through 4/27/18. Thirty-two (32) permits were issued with fees collected of \$4,195 and estimated construction costs of \$2,705,864.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: patched roads; worked on signs; put in driveway pipe on Mt. Healthy Road, replaced culvert pipe on 200S; ditched on 650E, 400S, and 900E; crack-sealed on 200E, 1000S, 850S, Swain Drive, and Talley Road; laid stone on school bus turnaround on 275N; hauled mulch to Youthcamp; graded and stoned 850S, 1000S, and 200E in the river bottoms; and Milestone paved 500E and 250W, which leaves two remaining road jobs from last year's overlay program.

Hollander then requested permission to give **Notice to Bidders** for the **2018 Road Overlay Program**. The public notice will be advertised in the May 3rd and May 10th issues of The Republic Newspaper. Sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 5/21/18, and will be opened during the Commissioners' Meeting that morning. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve notice to bidders for the annual overlay program. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Hollander presented proposals for two (2) 30" solar-powered, LED **flashing stop signs** to be installed at the 550N and Marr Road intersection along with rumble strips. The risks this intersection presents were discussed during the 4/9/18 Commissioners' Meeting. A study is currently underway with LTAP, a resource agency working through Purdue, which provides technical and analytical assistance to highway, road, and street departments in Indiana with their highway and road problems. Quotes came from LED Lighting, Inc. (\$1,999.98); Osburn Associates, Inc. (\$2,521.78); and Traffic Safety Corp. (\$3,190.00). Commissioner Flohr motioned to accept the low bid from LED Lighting, Inc. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

He also submitted for consideration an LPA consulting contract with **Strand Associates, Inc.** for roadway improvements along **Lowell Road** from 325W to the city limits bounded by 200W. The maximum amount payable under the contract shall not exceed \$448,992. MPO (Metropolitan Planning Org.) funding will reimburse 80%, leaving the county's 20% portion at \$89,800. Commissioner Flohr moved to approve the contract with Strand for the MPO Lowell Road improvement project. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Commissioners talked briefly to Hollander about improvements underway on Talley Road, and alleys in Walesboro in need of repair.

SWMD Education Coordinator Kari Spurgeon gave an update of **SWMD** cardboard recycling volumes and activities for first quarter, 2018. Cardboard recycling revenues are down compared to 2017, but greater than 2016. Education opportunities were maximized through classroom programs, recycling center and landfill tours, reaching 653 children and 175 adults. Spurgeon mentored three senior projects and will serve as a panel judge for North and East senior projects in May. Events sponsored and/or attended were the Earth Day Celebration, Earth Day Art Fair, Farm Bureau Youth Ag Day, and the Pollinator Workshop in partnership with Bartholomew County Soil & Water.

Charlie Day of DLZ Indiana, LLC, requested permission to give **Notice to Bidders** for the **boilers and chiller replacement at the courthouse**. The public notice will be advertised in the May 3rd and May 10th issues of The Republic Newspaper. Sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 21, 2018, and opened during the commissioners' meeting that morning. A pre-bid meeting with the mechanical engineer will be held on 5/7/18 at 9:00 a.m. in

the Government Office Building 4th Floor Council Chambers. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve notice to bidders for courthouse boilers and chiller work. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Commissioner Flohr read the **Animal Control Report** for March, 2018, prepared and signed by Animal Control Officer Mark Case. There were 75 cases, 11 animals were picked up, 136 audits, 3 violations, 0 fines, 4 bite cases, 10 door hangers placed, 2 reclaimed animals, and 4 traps loaned to the public. The two vans traveled a total of 3,096 miles. Commissioner Flohr motioned to accept the Monthly Animal Control Report for March. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Assistant Veteran Services Officer Larry Garrity presented the Monthly **Veterans' Services Report** for March, 2018. The Veterans' Office processed 13 new applicants; conducted 94 scheduled, walk-in, and/or outside interviews; made 251 contacts by phone/mail; traveled 1,215 miles; made 10 trips to the VA Hospital. A part-time receptionist has been added to the office to work 3 days a week. The office now has 10 volunteer drivers on hand. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to accept the report. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, May 7, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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