

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

February 10, 2014

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on February 10, 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.

Emergency Operations Center Director Ed Reuter gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the February 3, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Flohr, and the motion passed unanimously.

Next item on the agenda was the approval of Claims. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to approve the Claims which was seconded by Commissioner Kleinhenz.

The next item on the agenda was the weekly Permit report. Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permits Report dated 2/3/14 to 2/7/14. Nineteen (19) permits had been issued with a fee amount of \$2,391 and an estimated construction cost of \$2,310,323.

Next, County Engineer Danny Hollander submitted the Bartholomew County Highway Monthly Report for January, 2014 which included the Financial Report, Budget Status Report and Revenue Comparisons for the Highway Fund, Local Roads/Street Fund and the Cumulative Bridge Fund. He also submitted summaries of the January Crew Work, Projects Status, and upcoming February Crew Priorities.

Engineer Hollander then gave the County Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: put up signs, picked up trash, worked on potholes, sprayed salt brine, made salt brine, mixed salt and sand, and plowed and sanded roads. The County used 672 tons of salt and sand mix on Wednesday, 458 tons on Thursday, and 160 tons on Friday. The County has mix ready for another heavy snow with additional salt orders coming.

Commissioner Flohr read the MS4 Operator (Stormwater) Monthly Report for January, 2014. During the month of January, the Highway Department picked up trash and

tires on 4 separate occasions. The trash (bags, mattresses, etc.) was taken and disposed of at the local landfill. The tires were taken to the Highway Department and are stored in a shed until they can be taken to or picked up by CCE in New Albany, Indiana, for recycling. The Highway Department plowed and sanded roads 20 days in the month of January spreading 3,645 tons of sand/salt mix and 16 tons of salt. IDEM's report on the IDDE Audit is still pending. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to approve the Stormwater Monthly Report for January, 2014. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Information Technology (IT) Director Jim Hartsook updated the Commissioners with results of that morning's Data Board meeting. Election of officers resulted in Joe Meek elected as Chairman and Ryan Lauer as Vice Chairman.

Mr. Hartsook presented the ratification of Data Board items as follows:

Department	Item Purchased	Price	Account Number	Budgeted
All Offices	Microsoft Enterprise Agreement	\$ 90,892.51	03-60	Y
*All Courts/Clerk	CSI Annual Maintenance (Clerked paid \$13,000)	\$ 26,650.00	03-60	Y
*Auditor	SSI Annual Maintenance	\$ 14,094.00	03-60	Y
*Commissioners	Hearing Impaired Equipment Replacement	\$ 1,305.00	04-43	N
*Court Services	10 zero clients	\$ 2,990.00	04-43	Y
EOC	Printer replacement	\$ 1,713.00	04-43	N
*Highway	6 Monitor Replacements	\$ 1,533.60	04-43	Y
*IT	Symmetra Power Module replacement correction	\$ 86.71	04-43	N
*Judges	Replacement/Spare laptop	\$ 1,754.99	04-43	Y
*Prosecutor	Laptop replacement correction	\$ 35.59	Prosecutor	Y
*Surveyor	Field tech laptop	\$ 2,104.00	04-43	Y
*Surveyor	Document Imaging install/config/training	\$ 1,726.00	Surveyor	Y
*Youth Services	26 - zero clients (all in ones)	\$ 11,884.00	04-43	Y
Total expenditures		\$ 156,769.40		

Commissioner Flohr made a motion to ratify the Data Board items totaling \$156,769.40 as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mr. Hartsook then presented for consideration the Matrix Integration Network Optimization Contract Testing Phase expenditure. This last phase (testing) of the 4-year project will include after-hours, on-site testing by an engineer for 10-12 days at a cost of \$15,735. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the expenditure to Matrix for \$15,735. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mr. Hartsook asked for consideration of a backup software expenditure. IT is looking into migrating to a different software backup system which utilizes the County's

virtualization technology and asked the Commissioners to approve expensing \$10,335.24 for a 3-year contract subject to IT's trial testing and review of the product over the next 30 days. Switching to the new software would reduce the backup maintenance costs since the County currently pays roughly \$6,000/yr. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to approve the backup software 3-year contract for \$10,335.24. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The last Data Board item was approval to move forward with the Health Department's document imaging solution. A contract with Docuware Imaging, not to exceed \$6,500, has been proposed for the licensing, installation and training to begin digitizing environmental health and public health paper records. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to approve the expenditure from the General and Health Dept. funds, not to exceed \$6,500, to Docuware Imaging for digitizing software. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Brad Barnes, Director of Court Services, appeared on behalf of Circuit Court Judge Stephen Heimann and Juvenile Court Magistrate Heather Mollo to present the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI) Grant application for consideration. The state-wide initiative provides juvenile court judges, probation staff, detention staff, law enforcement, and others with additional tools to improve outcomes for children involved in the justice system. The grant application request of \$20,670 would come from the 2013 FYE June 30, 2014 budget and would pay for startup costs including a coordinator position, computer, telephone and initial supplies to steer the initiative locally. The County would then be guaranteed next fiscal year funds becoming available July 1, 2014. The Grant requires no County match. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to sign the JDAI Grant application. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next item on the agenda was the consideration of a Resolution of the Commissioners Approving the Designation of Bartholomew County as a Vote Center County (*see attached*). County Clerk Tami Hines was accompanied by Election Board Chairman Jim Holland and Vice-Chairman Julie Schuette, and by Voter Registration Deputy Jay Phelps who, among others, all contributed to the deliberation process which began in 2011. It was tabled until after the Presidential Election year. On January 22, 2014, the County Election Board (evenly represented by both political parties)

unanimously passed the Vote Center Plan which would be implemented for the 2015 Municipal Election and all elections thereafter. Discussions with the other 12 vote center counties generated no negative feedback. The vote center plan includes a provision to withdraw from participation if dissatisfied with the process. Responding to a question from Mike Lovelace, in the audience, Deputy Phelps stated the number of poll workers for the 18 vote centers, being paid an average of \$175/day, would decrease from 245 to 125. Lisa Deaton, in the audience, asked about the cost if the County later withdraws from the plan. Clerk Hines said there would be no equipment purchases unless they decide to purchase the electronic poll book (\$89,000) rather than leasing with option to buy (\$17,000). Voters will be identified and documented through barcode IDs such as their Indiana Drivers License. Otherwise, poll workers can access the voter's information by name. Ms. Schuette said that the County has had a vote center for many years at the County Clerk's Office where voters from any precinct could come in and vote. She also said that having vote centers doesn't guarantee there will be no lines. She stated that the Board has tried to make voting as convenient as possible and suggested that early voting is an option. Ms. Schuette said that educating the public about using vote centers instead of precinct locations and voting early at satellite locations will be important to limit confusion and reduce lines. Clerk Hines said that mailings will go out to voters advising them of voting locations and times of the vote centers and satellite locations. For the 2015 Municipal Election early-voting, satellite locations will be at the County Courthouse, Donner Center, MainSource Bank on SR 46, and East Columbus Fire Dept. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to sign the Resolution Approving Bartholomew County as a Vote Center County. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Attorney Grant Tucker presented an Amended Vehicle Lease Agreement with Fishers Flower Basket for use of a 2012 Dodge Caravan. The Amendment is to clarify that the annual cost of \$5,000 is to be paid in two (2) installments of \$2,500 each due January 15th and July 1st *of each year*. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to sign the Amended Vehicle Lease with Fishers Flower Basket. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next item, the Sheriff's Department's Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification was to be reviewed and presented later in the meeting.

Emergency Management Director Dennis Moats presented an application for the 2013 Emergency Management Performance Grants – Projects Sub-Grant Agreement CFDA #97.042 EDS #C44P-3-344B. Mr. Moats stated that the grant amount of \$5,179.77 is for the purchase of small laptops and monitors to access virtual private network for fieldwork. Any remaining funds would go toward the purchase of a display camera for the office. The performance grant is reimbursable, requires no County match, and is given based on local efforts. Mike Lovelace, in the audience, would like to see non-participation of counties in an effort to discourage this kind of wasteful spending by the federal government. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to sign the 2013 Emergency Management Performance Grants – Projects Sub-Grant Agreement CFDA #97.042 EDS #C44P-3-344B application. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

For the next item, Commissioner Flohr read the Veteran's Services Report for the month of January, 2014. The Veteran's Office conducted 110 scheduled/walk-in/outside interviews, filed 41 claims and applications and 8 tax abatement forms, attended 2 Veteran's meetings, filed 16 power-of-attorney documents and traveled 1,090 miles. Additional contacts totaled 249 by phone and 56 by mail. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to accept the Monthly Veteran's Report for January, 2014. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Attorney Grant Tucker presented the Sheriff's Department's Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification for signature by the Chairman of the Bartholomew County Commissioners. Assets procured through criminal activity are seized by apprehending law enforcement and are reported to the Federal Government to be tracked and disbursed back to respective law enforcement agencies. The Certification which reports asset seizure money received and spent for the year is required annually to comply with the National Code of Professional Conduct for Asset Forfeiture. The Sheriff's Certification this year showed no activity in the account and a balance of \$1,683.92 for year ended 12/31/13. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to sign the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification for the Sheriff's Dept. in the amount of \$1,683.92. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mike Lovelace, in the audience, spoke about attending the County Council Work Session held on February 3rd. He was displeased by the lack of receptiveness displayed by the Council regarding the Annex Building financing options proposed by the County's Financial Consultant Dan Eggermann. He wished the Irwin-Miller-Sweeney Foundation would have designated its \$2,000,000 for the Annex Building instead of the Heritage Fund.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lienhoop at 11:00 a.m. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, February 17, 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

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA,
APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY AS A VOTE CENTER
COUNTY**

Resolution No. 01 -2014

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 3-11-18.1 allows counties to adopt the vote center model and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County approves the designation of Bartholomew County as vote center county and;

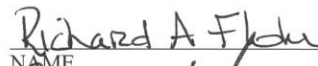
WHEREAS, the Bartholomew County Election Board has the responsibility for properly drafting a vote center plan for Bartholomew County, which will take effect upon unanimous vote of the Bartholomew County Election Board and having the plan properly filed with the State of Indiana Election Division;

BE IT SO RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY hereby approves the Order of the Bartholomew County Election Board dated January 22, 2014, and approves Bartholomew County as a vote center county, effective on January 1, 2015 for the 2015 Municipal Elections and each election thereafter.

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Adopted this 10th of February, 2014

ATTEST:



County Auditor