

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

August 24, 2015

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on August 24, 2015 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Larry Kleinhenz, Carl Lienhoop and Rick Flohr were present. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also in attendance.

Chairman Kleinhenz called the meeting to order and Commissioner Lienhoop gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the August 17, 2015 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to approve the minutes. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Kleinhenz read the New Permit Report dated 8/17/15 to 8/21/15. Thirty-three (33) permits had been issued with fees collected of \$4,059 and an estimated construction cost of \$2,152,083.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the County Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: chip and sealed in Wayne and Sandcreek Townships; mowed in Clifty, Wayne and Hawcreek Townships; fixed field tile along 400S; hauled dirt to 1125E and 75S; and laid rip rap at Grandview Lake.

Mr. Hollander then submitted two (2) bids received for deck replacement on Bridge #73 (Flatrock River at 900N). The bridge's deck area is approximately 16' x 258' and composed of 2 tresses, end to end. The 2'x4's will be replaced with a metal grid.

E & H Bridge and Grating, Inc. (Bedford)	\$121,028.00
CivilCon (Jeffersonville)	\$152,190.50

Commissioner Flohr motioned to accept the low bid received from E & H. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next item of business was the consideration of an agreement with Governmental Consulting Services, LLC, (Douglas Cassman, CEO and Consultant) to review the current group health program for county employees and covered dependents. The company and its services had been mentioned during budget hearings last week as having helped the school corporation navigate its healthcare financial crisis in 2006. The contract estimated a range of charges between \$2,800 and \$3,500, plus certain incidental expenses. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to contract with Governmental Consulting Services, LLC, (Carmel, IN) to review the employee benefit trust. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Purdue Extension Educator Kris Medic said the county extension staff has been involved with state fair activities, specifically, breaking down exhibits in the open class and 4-H areas and bringing entries back to the county.

Ms. Medic presented a draft of the CAFO Regulation Study Committee's setback recommendations following last week's meeting. (*See attached*) After the Committee meets to approve the drafted items, additional decisions and recommendations will be made, including some model ordinance language and certain "yes/no" directives, e.g., whether passing through the Board of Zoning Appeals would be needed. Once the recommendations have been formally approved, they will be presented in an open public forum, and then the process moves to the planning staff that will put it through legal review.

Next, County Treasurer Pia O'Connor's office staff had discussed ways to increase fee income for the County and, as a result, Ms. O'Connor will be proposing to enact a mobile home permit fee commonly charged by other counties in the state and which the public usually expects to pay. At \$10 each, she estimated the yearly \$2,500 mobile home fees could, at least, offset office expenses. Her office currently charges wire transfer fees and NSF fees that are then paid to the banks. Ms. O'Connor

commended her employees for coming up with ideas to generate revenues specific to users.

Lastly, in light of the County's struggling budget, the Commissioners have been directed to delay and/or eliminate the expense of building the Annex. The County Council advised that, for the next couple of years, there would be no money to build the Annex under the proposal from which they were working. Funding its construction using Rainy Day, CEDIT and Telecommunications Funds is off the table. The demolition and site cleanup will proceed.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, August 31, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

BARBARA J. HACKMAN

RICHARD A. FLOHR, MEMBER

CAFO Regulation Study Committee Recommendations

Through August 13, 2015

Standard / Question	Current Zoning Ordinance Requirement	Committee Recommendation		
		Majority Opinion	Minority Opinion	Vote
Should CAFO Regulations be based on the number and type of animals?	No	No	Yes	7-2
Should CAFOs be Limited to only the AP (Agriculture Preferred) Zoning District	No	No	Yes	6-1-1
Minimum Setback: CAFO to Residential Zoning District	1/2 Mile (2,640 Feet) Measured CAFO Site Property Line to Zoning District Boundary	1/2 Mile (2,640 Feet) Measured CAFO Structure to Zoning District Boundary		By Consensus
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to School / Health Care Facility Property Line	100 Feet	1/4 Mile (1,320 Feet)	1 Mile (5,280 Feet)	8-4
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to Worship Facility Property Line	100 Feet	1/4 Mile (1,320 Feet)	1/2 Mile (2,640 Feet)	7-5
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to Recreational Facility Property Line	100 Feet	1/4 Mile (1,320 Feet)	1/2 Mile (2,640 Feet)	8-4
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to Residential Lot in Ag. Zone (5 acres or less) Property Line	100 Feet	500 Feet	Determined on a case-by-case basis using the Purdue Setback Model	8-4
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to Residential Use in Ag. Zone (lot of any size with a home present) Property Line	100 Feet	500 Feet	Determined on a case-by-case basis using the Purdue Setback Model	7-4-1
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to any Well	None	500 Feet	1/2 Mile (2,640 Feet)	8-4
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to a State Highway	100 Feet	100 Feet	1/2 Mile (2,640 Feet)	8-4
Minimum Setback: CAFO Structure to Lot Line of Property on which it is Located	100 Feet	100 Feet	1/4 Mile (1,320 Feet)	8-4
Minimum CAFO Lot Size	5 Acres	10 Acres	40 Acres	7-5