COMMISSIONERS’ MEETING
January 13, 2020

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on January 13, 2020, in the Commissioners’ Chambers of 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 Pia O’Connor were also present.

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

The first order of business was the approval of the January 6, 2020, Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was the approval of payroll. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the payroll. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permit Report dated 1/6/20 to 1/10/20. Nineteen (19) permits were issued with fees collected of $1,045 and estimated construction costs of $366,589.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: worked on signs and put up high-water signs; crack-sealed in Glenview, Clandon Park, Midway, Oakwood and Grammer; trimmed trees; and ran the ditcher in Columbus Township.

Hollander also requested the ratification of two expenditures for the highway department. The first was to Andy Mohr totaling $1,091.37 for fuel tank parts. Commissioner Kleinhenz moved to ratify the expense. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. The second was to AAA Striping Company totaling $4,154.90 for striping Country Club Road. Commissioner Flohr motioned to ratify that expense, also. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Recorder Tami Hines, accompanied by her Chief Deputy Pam Cain, presented a renewal consultant contract with Anita Hole to continue back-scanning documents for the Historical Records Document Project. Hole will invoice the county at a rate of $20 per hour. As with independent employment contracts, there are no additional
benefits and no tax withholding. Payment will come from the Recorder’s Perpetuation Fund. Commissioner Flohr moved to enter into the contract with Anita Hole. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a request for the annual renewal of Computer Services, Inc. (CSI) maintenance and support agreements for the Recorder’s imaging system. The renewal request favorably passed through the 11/18/19 Data Board Meeting. The total amount is $32,976 which breaks down as $17,350 for software maintenance; $10,778 for imaging services; $4,078 for imaging software and hardware; and $770 for disaster recovery service. These expenses would also be paid from the Perpetuation Fund. Chairman Lienhoop motioned to renew the agreements with CSI. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was consideration of renewal and modification of the agreement with 39 Degrees North, LLC which provides the county’s the geographical information services via Elevate. This contract also received favorable recommendation at the 11/18/19 Data Board Meeting. IT Director Scott Mayes presented the 3-year contract which runs from 1/1/20 through 12/31/22 and is paid from the IT budget. The GIS expense is shared among several city and county departments: City of Columbus, City Utilities, Planning Department, City Engineering, County Highway, and County Surveyor. The county’s portion is $22,214.76 of the overall $65,098. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to approve the agreement. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Tammy Johannesen from Circuit Court appeared before the commissioners with quotes for reupholstering (6) six barrel chairs. Between Pollert Design Assoc. (Columbus) and Karen’s Design (Seymour), Pollert’s was the lower quote for 18 yards of fabric at $864. For reupholstering labor, Bayles’s Fabric & Upholstery (Elizabethtown) quote of $1,980 was lower than Sherrill’s Upholstery (Indianapolis) quote of $2,070. Commissioner Flohr motioned to award the upholstery work to Bayles. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously. Chairman Lienhoop moved to award the fabric purchase to Pollert Design. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Clerk Jay Phelps presented a renewal lease agreement for the postage meter machine from Mail Finance (Neopost). The rented stamp and seal mail machine handles
mail for the Clerk’s Office, Prosecutor’s Office and all three Courts. The monthly payment is $414.22 for 63 months. Commissioner Kleinhenz moved to renew the lease agreement. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Charlie Day of DLZ then presented the contract with Quality Masonry Co., Inc., for the Veterans Memorial Restoration Project. The contract validates their winning bid of $121,050 awarded on 12/30/19. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to sign the contract. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Lastly, all county offices will be closed on Monday, 1/20/20, in recognition of Martin Luther King Day. Also, the Tuesday, 1/21/20 meeting has been cancelled. In lieu of the cancellation, there will be a brief meeting to approve claims on Thursday, 1/16/20 at 10:00 a.m. in the GOB Commissioners’ Chambers.

The next regular session of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the GOB Commissioners’ Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

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