

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

December 14, 2020

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on December 14, 2020, in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Carl Lienhoop, Rick Flohr and Larry Kleinhenz were present. Attorney Grant Tucker was present. Auditor Pia O'Connor was in attendance via Zoom meeting.

Commissioner Lienhoop called the meeting to order.

In addition to the above listed people, the following were present at the meeting:

County Administrator Tina Douglas	IT Director Scott Mayes
Commissioner-Elect Tony London	

In attendance via Zoom were:

Tax Administrator Chris West, Auditor's Office	County Engineer Danny Hollander
Trena Carter, ARa	Dave Richter, United Consulting
Recorder Tami Hines	Clerk Jay Phelps
Mark Webber, The Republic	John Clark, White River Broadcasting
Charlie Day, DLZ	Steve Ruble, Strand Engineering
Amy Shehan-Walker	

Commissioner Lienhoop gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of the December 7, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Flohr motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was the approval of payroll. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the payroll as presented. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was a Public Hearing regarding the Resultant Information and Public Comments Concerning Armuth Acres/North Cliff Stormwater Plan as Funded in part with Community Development Block Grant Funds. This portion of the meeting was led by Trena Carter of ARa and Steve Ruble of Strand Engineering. (Mr. Ruble was having issues with his audio). Ms. Carter stated that in March, the County received a CDBG Planning Grant to deal with the water issue at Armuth

Acres/North Cliff. Commissioner Flohr stated that he had attended several of the meetings, but the cost estimates were around \$5,500,000. (Mr. Ruble was finally able to connect using his phone.) He discussed the findings of the planning phase. When they started, they broke it down into two areas: the first being the collection of Stormwater within the subdivision; the second being how to dispose of the collected water. The report has 5 different alternatives.

- *1st Alternative – Take no action at all.*
- *2nd Alternative – This is common in all the solutions which include ditch regrading as well as accommodating some off site drainage that comes to the subdivision. The part that is unique to alternative 2 is the route to remove the water. This would be to direct it to the Flatrock River, taking it from the southwest corner and routing it westerly using 600 N, 100 E and through part of a field. The construction cost for this is approximately \$3,900,000 with a total project cost of \$4,700,000. The total cost includes easements, counsel, land acquisition and other items.*
- *3rd Alternative – Includes the internal subdivision improvements but sending the water to the Clifford Drain. There are some challenges with this alternative. Do to these, they utilize a dual trunk line to get to the drain. \$4,600,000 with the total cost being \$5,400,000.*
- *4th Alternative – Utilizes a Stormwater pumping station to move the water to the Flatrock River. The cost of construction for this would be \$11,400,000 with a total cost of \$13,100,000 which makes it economically unfeasible.*
- *5th Alternative – This also uses the Flatrock River but via a different route. This would be the shortest route but it would include deep excavation. Some points would require 30' of excavation. The total construction cost would be \$4,000,000 and a total cost of \$4,900,000.*
- *The report goes through a decision making matrix that rates each alternative in 6 categories as follows: environmental, cost, land acquisition, ongoing maintenance.*
- *Alternative 2 is the recommended alternative based on the matrix.*

Ms. Carter stated that the next step is for Public Comment for questions or comments. She asked that anyone wishing to speak unmute themselves and state their name for the record. Those in physical attendance were as follows:

Carl H Lienhoop, County Commissioner	Rick Flohr, County Commissioner
Larry Kleinhenz, County Commissioner	Tony London, County Commissioner-Elect
Tina Douglas, County Administrator	Grant Tucker, County Attorney
Scott Mayes, County IT Director	

Those in attendance via Zoom were as follows:

Danny Hollander, County Engineer	Jay Phelps, County Clerk
Tami Hines, County Recorder	Mark Webber, The Republic
John Clark, White River Broadcasting	Chris West, Auditor's Office
Pia O'Connor, County Auditor	Amy Shehan-Walker, public
Charlie Day, DLZ	Steve Ruble, Strand & Associates
Trena Carter, ARa	David Richter, United Consulting

Commissioner Flohr asked about the maximum amount of funding that was available via grants for this project. Ms. Carter stated it is about \$600,000. Commissioner Kleinhenz asked if Strand had had access to the cost estimates that were given about 15 or 20 years ago. At that time, the amount was around \$1,000,000. Mr. Ruble stated they did. In twenty years' time, the costs have gone up quite a bit. Also, that estimate at that time did not take a holistic approach to solve the issues. This time, they formed a stake holders' committee and received input regarding all the issues that are occurring. Ms. Carter stated that today's meeting will allow them to wrap up the planning phase of the project. They will need to pass the proposed Resolution which will close out the planning phase. Commissioner Lienhoop, hearing no other comments, closed the public hearing portion of the meeting. The Resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA FOR THE APPROVAL OF A CDBG PLANNING GRANT – STORM WATER PLANNING STUDY WHICH HAS BEEN PRELIMINARILY APPROVED BY THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS

***WHEREAS,** the Board of County Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana had identified adequate reason to analyze the Armuth Acres / North Cliff Subdivisions' Storm Drainage System; and*

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has hired Strand Associates to define and describe the issues, advise us of our options, and make recommendations to address this issue in the future, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has received federal Community Development Block Grant dollars from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to fund this study and has contributed \$3,850 as local match for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the process and completed study thoroughly and is satisfied with the services performed, information contained therein, and methodology applied; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has received a digital copy and will receive three (3) print copies of this document for our records and will keep two (2) on file in the county's offices for future reference, and

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners that the final document is hereby approved, based upon comments and initial approval received from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. The Board of County Commissioners received feedback from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs Liaison that it was approved as written and copies of this plan may be finalized.*

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS this 14th day of December, 2020, at 10:10 o'clock A.M.

Bartholomew County Commissioners

Carl H. Lienhoop, Chairman

Richard A. Flohr, Member

Larry S. Kleinhenz, Member

ATTEST:

*Pia O'Connor, Auditor
Bartholomew County, Indiana*

Commissioner Flohr motioned to approve Resolution 2020-14. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Mark Webber asked if this meant Alternative #2 had been approved. Ms. Carter stated that his is just finishing up the planning phase. There has been no decision

made regarding moving forward from this point. Now, it will be taken under advisement to determine which solution they would go with and whether there was funding available to proceed.

The next item was the weekly permit reports as read by Commissioner Lienhoop:

<i>Time frame</i>	<i>New permits</i>	<i>Fees</i>	<i>Value</i>
<i>12/07/20 to 12/11/20</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>\$4,460.00</i>	<i>\$3,437,215</i>

The next item was the County Highway Weekly Crew Report presented by Engineer Danny Hollander. The following work had been done: Replaced culvert on 100 W; finished up culverts on 450 N; replaced culverts on 450 N; side-winded on 700 E and 650 E; worked on signs; and worked on trucks.

The next item was the Ratification of Expenditures for the Highway Department for culverts that were purchased for 450 N and 250 E as follows:

- *S & M Precast, Inc.*
 - *Box Culvert* *\$27,550.00*
- *S & M Precast, Inc.*
 - *Box Culvert* *\$20,200.00*
- *S & M Precast, Inc.*
 - *Box Culvert* *\$12,825.00*

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Ratify the purchases as listed above. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Three quotes were solicited with only S & M Precast, Inc. responding.

The next item was the Ratification of Data Board Items from the meeting earlier this morning as presented by IT Director Scott Mayes as follows:

PURCHASE REQUESTS:

<i>DEPARTMENT</i>	<i>ITEM(S)</i>	<i>FUNDING</i>	<i>AWARDED TO</i>
<i>Information Tech</i>	<i>80 Laptops & equip</i>	<i>CARES Act</i>	<i>SHI \$125,661.60</i>
<i>Sheriff</i>	<i>Axon Integration</i>	<i>IT Budget</i>	<i>Central Sq \$16,800.00</i>

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Ratify the above listed purchases. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

MAINTENANCE RENEWALS:

DEPARTMENT	ITEM(S)	FUNDING	AWARDED TO
<i>Information Tech</i>	<i>Docuware server & lic</i>	<i>IT Budget</i>	<i>Info & Rec's \$9,981.00</i>
<i>Paessler</i>	<i>Network monitoring</i>	<i>IT Budget</i>	<i>SHI \$2,760.00</i>
<i>Barracuda</i>	<i>E-mail security sftwr</i>	<i>IT Budget</i>	<i>SHI \$3,384.00</i>
<i>Veeam</i>	<i>Backup software</i>	<i>IT Budget</i>	<i>SHI \$5,436.00</i>

Commissioner Flohr motioned to Ratify the above listed Maintenance Renewals. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

PROJECT REQUESTS:

DEPARTMENT	ITEM(S)	FUNDING	AWARDED TO
<i>Court Services</i>	<i>Electronic Lic – 1 year</i>	<i>CARES Act</i>	<i>Carey Guides \$4,250</i>

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Ratify the above listed purchases. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was the Consideration of a 4-Year Maintenance Agreement between the Bartholomew County Clerk and Knowink Innovative Election Solutions for 36 Poll Pads as presented by Clerk Jay Phelps. This will provide continuity of service. Prior to this, they had to print the poll books.

Knowink

- *This is for 36 electronic poll books/pad.*
- *For the next 4-year software license & service agreement (from 2021 thru 2024).*
- *Will get the Clerk through next 3 elections (Midterm, City and the next Presidential)*
- *Cost is \$150 per Poll Pad unit*
- *Yearly cost is \$5,400.00*

▪ ***4 Year Grand Total*** ***\$21,600***

The next item was the Consideration of a 4-year Annual Maintenance Contract with MicroVote for the Infinity Voting System as presented by Clerk Phelps as follows:

MicroVote

- *We will pay MicroVote General Corp \$13,000/year for 4 years (2021-2024).*
 - *Good thru December 31, 2024.*
 - *MicroVote will provide 24-hour technical support.*
 - *137 voting machines owned by Bartholomew County.*
 - *Will get the Clerk through next 3 elections (Midterm, City and the next Presidential).*
- ***Grand Total*** ***\$52,000.00***

Attorney Grant Tucker asked regarding the Knowink contract with their availability on non-election days and election days. He is questioning whether one hour before and one hour after the polls close on election day is enough time for that day. Clerk Phelps stated that they have a local vendor in Indianapolis that is available if they cannot reach them. Attorney Tucker also has an issue with the Resolution of Issues. He will not agree to any arbitration that involves the American Arbitration. He would like that stricken from the contract. Clerk Phelps will take care of that. Attorney Tucker stated that in the MicroVote contract, it is stated that we can opt out if money is not appropriated by the County Commissioners. He believes this needs to state the County "Council", instead of County "Commissioners". Attorney Tucker stated that they can mark through the changes, initial said changes and approve the agreements today. Commissioner Flohr motioned to approve the two agreements with the stated changes. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Clerk Phelps wished Commissioner Flohr the best in his new endeavors.

The next item was the Consideration of an Agreement with Mensendieks Auction Service and Real Estate as follows:

Agreement with Mensendieks Auction Service

- *For the sale of miscellaneous County items and vehicles by auction.*
- *Items will be sold at live auction and on-line auctions as deemed necessary*
- *Auctions will be scheduled as needed.*
- *This Agreement is for 1 year - December 14, 2020 thru December 14, 2021.*
- *Mensendieks will receive 10% on vehicles*

- *Mensendieks will receive 25% on miscellaneous items*
- *Mensendieks will receive \$1.00 per consignment lot sold.*

The next item, Courthouse audio and video equipment decision, will be postponed at this time.

The next item was the Treasurer's Monthly Reports for July, August and September 2020. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Reports for July, August and September 2020 as presented. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next Commissioners Meeting will be **Monday, December 21, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

CARL H. LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

RICHARD A. FLOHR, MEMBER

ATTEST:

PIA O'CONNOR