

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COUNCIL
September 13, 2016

Name:	Representing:	Title:	Present:
Bill Lentz	At Large	President	Present
Jim Reed	At Large	Pro-Tem	Present
Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence	At Large		Present
Chris Ogle	District 1		Present
Laura DeDomenic	District 2		Present
Mark Gorbett	District 3		Present
Jorge Morales	District 4		Present
Chris Monroe	- -	Attorney	Present
Barb Hackman	Auditor	Secretary	Present

The Bartholomew County Council met on September 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana.

President Lentz called the meeting to order.

Jim Reed gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of meeting minutes but these are not ready due to the number of budget hearings.

The next item on the agenda was the First Reading of the SWMD Budget as presented by Director Heather Siesel and Diane Hodnet. Their budget is reduced and that is largely due to the fact that no new cell construction is ongoing at this time as well as a reduction in staff at the Recycling Center. Director Siesel read their budget as follows: Personal Services at one-million twelve-thousand four-hundred-sixty-three dollars (\$1,012,463); Supplies at one-hundred-fourteen-thousand one-hundred-fifty dollars (\$

114,150); Other Services at two-million two-hundred-twenty-eight-thousand twenty-eight dollars (\$2,228,028); and Capital Outlays at three-hundred-eighty-thousand two-hundred-forty-three dollars (\$380,243) for a total budget of three-million seven-hundred-thirty-four-thousand eight-hundred-eighty-four dollars (\$3,734,884). President Lentz opened the meeting for public comment. There were no public comments and the public comment period was closed. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked when the next cell would be needed. Director Siesel stated the estimate is seven (7) years. Jim Reed asked if the cardboard recycling was helping. Director Siesel stated it was but it was second to the yard waste recycling. **Mark Gorbett made a motion to approve the 2017 SWMD Budget at presented. Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

The next item on the agenda was the First Reading of the Flatrock Township Trustee 2017 Budget. The Council has to vote on this as there are two (2) volunteer firefighters on the Flatrock Township Trustee Advisory Board. Trustee Lisa Moore presented the budget as follows: General Fund at twenty-two-thousand two-hundred dollars (\$22,200); Assistance at seven-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$7,500); Fire Protection at thirty-two-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$32,500); and Cumulative Fire at nineteen-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$19,500). Jorge Morales asked the Auditor about the fact that they had not heard any other Township budgets. Auditor Hackman stated that they had offered the Townships to attend the last meeting. Flatrock Township is different because of the two (2) volunteer firefighters on her Advisory Board.

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President Lentz asked if the numbers are about the same as they were last year. Trustee Moore stated they were very close. President Lentz opened the meeting for public comment. There were no comments so the public session was closed. **Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the 2017 Flatrock Township Trustee Budget as presented by Trustee Lisa Moore. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

The next item on the agenda was the First Reading of the 2017 Bartholomew County Budget as presented by Auditor Hackman.

2017 County General

Fund #	Office Name	2017 Approved
001-01	Clerk	\$458,434.00
001-02	Auditor	\$406,247.00
001-03	Treasurer	\$213,545.00
001-04	Recorder	\$154,494.00
001-05	Sheriff	\$3,208,193.00
001-06	Surveyor	\$339,960.00
001-07	Coroner	\$105,784.00
001-08	Prosecutor	\$589,102.00
001-09	Assessor	\$304,030.00

001-11	Code Enforcement	\$466,505.00
001-18	Emergency Management (EMA)	\$172,137.00
001-19	Drainage Board	\$11,975.00
001-22	Voter's Registration	\$82,418.00
001-23	Cooperative Extension	\$252,142.00
001-25	Park Board	\$182,030.00
001-27	Veteran's Service	\$128,860.00
001-28	Weights & Measures	\$49,007.00
001-29	County Council	\$88,520.00
001-30	Commissioners	\$4,447,879.00
001-31	Maintenance	\$1,283,903.00
001-32	Jail	\$2,952,780.00
001-33	Emergency Operations Center (EOC)	\$19,500.00
001-34	Youth Services Center	\$1,556,543.00
001-35	Court Services	\$507,543.00
001-36	Circuit Court	\$575,992.00
001-37	Superior Court I	\$356,576.00
001-38	Superior Court II	\$423,624.00
001-39	Circuit Court IV-D	\$66,960.00
001-40	Prosecutor IV-D	\$433,662.00
001-41	Information Technology	\$916,525.00

	Total Of County General Funds:	\$20,754,870.00
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2017 Other Funds

Fund #	Office	2017 Approved
002	Highway	\$3,098,564.00
003	Local Roads & Streets	\$499,700.00
004	Cumulative Bridge	\$1,593,944.00
007	Health Department	\$1,454,087.00
008	Election Board	\$248,003.00
009	Public Health Preparedness	\$16,707.00
010	Alcohol/Drug Program	\$150,227.00
011	Court Services Adult Probation User	\$463,149.00
012	Supplemental Juvenile Probation	\$13,929.00
013	Debt Service	\$1,811,000.00
015	Cornerstone Perpetuation	\$8,650.00
017	Convention, Recreation & Visitors	\$1,355,000.00
019	Local Health Maintenance	\$49,221.00
026	Misdemeanant	\$0.00
122	Statewide 911	\$1,873,816.00
312	Pretrial Diversion	\$88,515.00
314	Court Services Inf Adj/Juv Probation	\$0.00
320	Local Emergency Planning Com (LEPC)	\$15,018.00
329	Public Defender Superior II	\$42,260.00
501	Elected Officials Training	\$11,500.00

504	Recorder's Perpetuation	\$40,000.00
507	Indiana Local Health Department Trust Fund	\$34,636.00
509	Security Protection	\$15,000.00
681	Prosecutor IV-D Incentive	\$26,139.00
682	Clerk IV-D Incentive	\$24,505.00
684	2017 Reassessment	\$526,441.00
	Total Of Other Funds:	\$13,460,011.00

Total of County General Funds:	\$20,754,870.00
Total of CAGIT:	\$408,875.00
Total of CEDIT:	\$2,119,469.00
Total of Telecommunication:	\$613,912.00
Total of Employee Trust Account:	\$5,307,375.00
Total of Riverboat:	\$413,676.00
Grand Total Of All Funds:	\$43,078,188.00

President Lentz opened the meeting for public comment. There being no comments, the public comment session was closed. Mark Gorbett stated he still has concerns about the revenue stream going forward. The last couple of years we have used cash to support the budget. Jorge Morales stated it could only be tweaked down, not up. It was pointed out he was incorrect as this is the First Reading and it can be tweaked up or down. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked the Sheriff about the grant for the cameras. He hopes to know later this year. He believes the storage issue for the cameras will be included in his quotes. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked about the open positions in the County and if they were going to discuss it at the next meeting. Sheriff Myers stated that they are

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starting the body camera demos next week and with that he hopes to have more information within the next two (2) weeks. **President Lentz made a motion to approve the 2017 Bartholomew County Budget on First Reading as presented. Jim Reed seconded the motion which passed six to one (6-1) with Jorge Morales being the dissenting vote.**

The next item on the agenda was a Request for Additional Appropriations in the amount of one-thousand forty-four dollars and ninety-one cents (\$1,044.91) for Circuit Court as presented by Tammy Johannesen, Office Manager. She is requesting the appropriation of the fees collected in the Public Defender Fund which currently has one-thousand forty-four dollars and ninety-one cents (\$1,044.91). **Mark Gorbett made a motion to approve the request as presented. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

The next item on the agenda was request for Additional Appropriation for the Prosecutor's Office in the ICJI VOCA Grant (861) in the amount of two-hundred-thirty-four-thousand one-hundred-sixty-one dollars and eighty cents (\$234,161.80) as presented by Brenda Mijares, Office Manager. She stated that this is a VOCA Grant (*Victims of Crime Act*). This will begin October 1, 2016 and run through September 30, 2018. She has learned that they will actually be receiving two-hundred-twenty-five-thousand five-hundred-eighty-nine dollars (\$225,589). It is everything they asked for it was just a mathematical error on their part. She suggests that they possibly hire someone to do grant writing for the County. She believes it could be good sources for the County. **Jim**

Reed made a motion to approve the request as presented for two-hundred-twenty-five-thousand five-hundred-eighty-nine dollars (\$225,589). Mark Gorbett seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a request for Transfer of Funds for the Information Technology (001-41) as presented by the County Commissioners Rick Flohr and Larry Kleinhenz. Commissioner Chairman Flohr asked for the transfer of fifty-thousand dollars (\$50,000) from the IT Salary line item to the Other Services line item for a consulting contract. It is broken down as forty-seven-thousand four-hundred-three dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$47,403.98) from Salaries and two-thousand five-hundred-ninety-six dollars and two cents (\$2,596.02) from Overtime. With this money, they will enter into agreements with Sharp Business Systems for twenty-one-thousand one-hundred-eighty-four dollars (\$21,184) per month for the next two (2) months. This will include two (2) full time helpdesk people and on-call. The salaries of a Director and four (4) employees would be around twenty-one-thousand dollars (\$21,000) a month. They also have a contract for Project Support for two-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$2,500). Mark Gorbett asked if we would then be backing out of this slowly after the two (2) months. Chairman Flohr stated they are uncertain what the IT Department will look like down the road. In sixty (60) days they will need to find more money, though the amount does decrease. Laura DeDomenic asked if they had a detailed description of what they will be providing. Chairman Flohr read the entire contract. Mark Gorbett asked if the E911 was to go down at 2 a.m. will we be covered. Chairman Flohr stated it would.

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Laura DeDomenic asked if a server goes down, how will that be covered as servers were not mentioned in what he read. Chairman Flohr stated that the helpdesk people will have the authority to call in more support if it is needed. The budget for Data Strategies is in the IT Budget. Laura DeDomenic asked how many vendors the Commissioners entertained to get into this contract. Chairman Flohr stated that they had been working with Sharp since the turmoil began several months ago. They had hired them to provide a study of the IT Department at that time. When the bottom fell out, they called Sharp as they were the only one that knew our system and the state it was in. They did have a joint meeting with Sharp and Data Strategies. Commissioner Kleinhenz stated they may be looking at a hybrid IT Department where there are some in-house IT Departments with outside support for some of the systems. Laura DeDomenic read a statement she had prepared. Jorge Morales stated that the statement she just read is what he has heard in the community and what he has seen and he would second her statement. Mark Gorbett stated we can discuss all that later but right now we have a proposal to get this going. **Mark Gorbett made a motion to approve the Transfer of Funds as requested. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed six to one (6-1) with Laura DeDomenic as the dissenting vote.**

The next items on the agenda were updates by the Council members regarding Boards and Commissions as follows:

Jim Reed:

Liaison to Sheriff's Merit Bd – getting people to accept offers is an issue.

They are looking at changing some of the requirements. The Merit Board is going to meet to consider what, if any changes need to be made. The drug task force is going well.

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – nothing to report

Mark Gorbett:

Emergency Management Bd – nothing to report

Emergency Dispatch Services – nothing to report

Community Corrections Bd – nothing to report

Liaison to Work Release Center Bd – nothing to report

Jorge Morales:

County Plan Commission – first meeting tomorrow morning

Personnel Admin Committee – nothing to report

Cols Economic Development Bd – nothing to report

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – nothing to report

President Bill Lentz:

Liaison to Sheriff's Merit Bd – nothing to report

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Personnel Administrative Committee – nothing to report

Cols Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bd – nothing to report

Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence:

County Parks & Recreation Bd – looking over their budgets

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Youth Services Center Advisory Committee – nothing to report

JDAI – nothing to report

Laura DeDomenic:

Computer & Data Processing Bd – couple of ratifications they could not do because of there being no IT staff. There was discussion about restructuring the IT Department with possibly a hybrid system. Mark Gorbett asked if the Data Board makes a recommendation but it is ultimately up to the Commissioners. They have interviewed a potential candidate and invited the Data Board members to attend a second interview later this week.

Columbus Economic Development Bd – nothing to report

Chris Ogle:

Liaison to Health Bd – nothing to report

County Extension Bd – nothing to report

Solid Waste Management District Bd – nothing to report

Lisa Deaton asked if there was a no-compete clause for the IT staff. There is not. Attorney Chris Monroe stated there is no competition with government so there is no no-compete clauses. Jeff McQueary asked if Johnson County had competed with us. It was

stated the gentleman had gone back for less money to the same job he previously held after three (3) days on the job here as the IT Director. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked who is tracking the cell phones. Carolyn in the Auditor's Office would be the best option to find a list of cell phones within the County. She wants to make certain we are not paying for cell phones and laptops that are not needed. Jeff McQueary is trying to figure out what exactly the Data Board does. Laura DeDomenic can't really answer that question. It has been in existence for about thirty (30) years. Jorge Morales stated that Kelly Benjamin has been helping out in Circuit Court while Judge Heimann has been on personal leave.

Hearing no other business, Mark Gorbett made a motion to adjourn. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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By: _____
Bill Lentz, President

By: _____
Jim Reed, Pro-Tem

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Mark Gorbett, Member

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Jorge Morales, Member

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Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence, Member

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By: _____
Laura DeDomenic, Member

By: _____
Chris Ogle, Member

ATTEST: _____
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor
Bartholomew County