

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

June 18, 2018

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on June 18, 2018, in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Rick Flohr, Larry Kleinhenz and Carl Lienhoop were present. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker was also present. Chief Deputy Sandra Beatty attended on behalf of County Auditor Barbara Hackman.

Chairman Kleinhenz 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 minutes for the 6/11/18 Commissioners' Meeting. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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

Chairman Kleinhenz read into the minutes the New Permit Report dated 6/11/18 through 6/15/18. Thirty (30) permits were issued with fees collected of \$1,604 and estimated construction costs of \$381,430.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: patched roads; put up high water signs; mowed in Columbus, Clay, Rockcreek, and German Townships; replaced pipes on 275W, 300S, and 550S; finished berming roads for overlay; ditched on 300S and Carlos Folger Road; removed blacktop from 675W; and cleaned up trees. Milestone paved Goeller Road and in Highland Ridge area.

Next was the consideration of a consulting services agreement with USI Consultants, Inc. for **replacing Bridge #66** on 900E in Haw Creek Township close to the Shelby County line. Services include surveying, design, and assistance with the bidding phase for a total of \$72,720. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to contract with USI. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Hollander then requested ratification of the purchase of **two (2) 36" flashing stop signs** from Osburn Associates, Inc. Originally, 30" signs were approved and purchased; however, 36" signs were needed. Osburn invoiced for two at \$1,260.89 each for a total of \$2,521.78.

Commissioner Flohr motioned to ratify the purchase for flashing solar stop signs. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was the consideration of an **ordinance amending an ordinance dated 11-7-77 establishing a vector abatement program** . . . for vector control. (*See attached.*) Vector control is any method to limit or eradicate mammals, birds, insects or other arthropods (collectively called "vectors") which transmit disease pathogens. Director of Environmental Health Link Fulp said that vector control is at the core of environmental health. Recent attempts to encourage property owners to improve property conditions that have led to rat infestations, have been ignored due to outdated, low-cost fines for noncompliance. Fulp wants to bring vector penalties up-to-date and in line with other like ordinances to increase the county's leveraging. County Attorney Grant Tucker supported increasing the fines from \$200 to \$500 for the first violation and up to \$1,500 for subsequent offenses. Additionally, the amendment provides for up to \$1,500 per day beyond the time limit for abating the unsanitary conditions and/or completing improvements to abate such conditions as ordered by the County Health Department. Chairman Kleinhenz opened the meeting for public comment. There being no comments, he then closed the meeting. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to pass the ordinance on first reading. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Emergency Management Director Shannan Hinton presented a \$67,000 grant application to tap money from the State Homeland Security Program for the purchase of **two (2) UTVs and trailers** for the Sheriff's Department. UTV stands for utility task vehicle. It has a bed for hauling and is a multiple passenger version of the one-passenger, off-road, all-terrain vehicle (ATV). This is a second attempt to solicit funds for the equipment. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to sign the grant application. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Last was the ratification of an expense from the Maintenance Department. **Circle R Mechanical Contractors**, Inc. invoiced \$5,000 for cutting concrete at the County Extension Office building in advance of plumbing work for a new restroom. The Commissioners budget will pay the expense. Commissioner Lienhoop moved to ratify the expense. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. Audience member Mike Lovelace stated there seemed to be more items being ratified and would like instances such as this to go through the bidding process to find the best company for the job. Chairman Kleinhenz agreed and duly noted the comment.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, June 25, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

RICHARD A. FLOHR, MEMBER

BARBARA J. HACKMAN

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-_____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 11-7-77
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A VECTOR ABATEMENT PROGRAM
UNDER THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
LISTING HIS DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO VECTOR CONTROL,
PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR INTERFERENCE WITH THESE DUTIES
AND MAKING AN ANNUAL APPROPRIATION
SPECIFICALLY FOR VECTOR CONTROL**

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana did, on the 7th day of November, 1977 pass Ordinance No. 11-7-77 having to do with issues related to Vector Control in Bartholomew County by the Bartholomew County Health Department; and

WHEREAS, certain portions of Ordinance No. 11-7-77 need to be updated; and

WHEREAS, Acting on the recommendation of the Bartholomew County Health Department, the Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana intends to consider this amendment to update certain sections of Ordinance No. 11-7-77.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED By the Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana as follows:

Section 1. Article III, Section 302(f) of Ordinance No. 11-7-77 is Hereby Amended, Revised and Changed to read as follows:

“f.) To conduct control in a manner consistent with recommendations of the State Cooperative Extension Service, the Pesticide Review Board and the State Board of Health; the Office of the State Chemist, Indiana State Department of Health and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.”

Section 2. Article IV, Section 401 of Ordinance No. 11-7-77 is Hereby Amended, Revised and Changed to read as follows:

“Any person found to be interfering with the duties of the executive officer of the County Health Department shall be guilty of an infraction. On conviction, the violator shall be punished for the first offense by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), for the second and each subsequent offense, by a fine of not more than One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Each day after the expiration of the time limit for abating the unsanitary conditions and completing the improvements to abate such conditions as ordered by the County Health Department shall constitute a distinct, separate offense.

Section 3. Article IV, Section 402 of Ordinance No. 11-7-77 is Hereby Amended, Revised and Changed to read as follows:

“Any person who shall violate any provision of this chapter shall be guilty of an Infraction. On conviction, the violator shall be punished for a first offense by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00); for the second and each subsequent offense by a fine of not more than One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Each day after the expiration of the time limit for abating unsanitary conditions and completing improvements to abate such conditions as ordered by the County Health Department shall constitute a distinct and separate offense.

Section 4. Any provisions of Ordinance No. 11-7-77 not specifically affected by these amendments shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. These amendments shall become effective immediately upon their passage and publication as required by law.

PASSED ON FIRST READING THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA**

Larry S. Kleinhenz, Chairman

Richard A. Flohr, Member

Carl H. Lienhoop, Member

ATTEST:

By: _____
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor of
Bartholomew County, Indiana