

**COMMISSIONER'S MEETING**  
**September 6, 2011**

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on September 6, 2011 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Carl Lienhoop called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Commissioner Larry Kleinhenz, Auditor Barb Hackman, and County Attorney J. Grant Tucker were also in attendance. Commissioner Paul Franke was absent. Auditor's Office Department Head Catherine Greenlee gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Next, the minutes of the August 29, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Commissioner Kleinhenz and seconded by Chairman Lienhoop.

The Payroll Claims were presented for approval. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to approve the Payroll Claims. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permits Report from 8/29/2011 to 9/2/2011. One hundred and two permits were issued with a fee amount of \$4,566.00 and a valuation amount of \$1,317,572.00. The total fees for the month of August 2011 were \$28,210.

County Highway Engineer Danny Hollander presented the Commissioners with the Bartholomew County Highway Financial Report for August 2011 for the Highway Fund, Local Roads & Street Fund, and the Cumulative Bridge Fund. Likewise, Engineer Hollander presented the Commissioners with the August 2011 Monthly Report for the

Highway Department that includes the accomplishments of the Highway Crew for August, the status of Bridge Projects and Road Projects, and the Highway Crew Priorities for September 2011. Also, this report shows that the Highway Department issued three Driveway Permits and five Road Cut Permits in August 2011.

Next, Engineer Hollander presented the Commissioners with the Weekly Crew Report. Last week the Highway Crew mowed Wayne, Clifty, and Sandcreek Townships, dug out and added stone to Carr Hill Road, patched roads, trimmed trees for school bus drivers, put stone over pipes, stoned on school bus turnarounds, cleaned up from the storm damage, and cleaned up shingles dumped on 600 East and 500 North.

Commissioner Kleinhenz mentioned that road closed signs were still up on Sunday on 500 West from downed trees. Commissioner Kleinhenz turned them down so motorists would know that the road was open.

Engineer Hollander presented the Commissioners with the Monthly Stormwater Report for August 2011. During the month of August the Highway Department picked up trash and tires on sixteen (16) separate occasions. The trash (bags, mattresses, etc.) was taken and disposed of at the local landfill, and tires were taken to the Highway Department and are stored until they can be taken to or picked up by CCE in New Albany, Indiana, for recycling.

The Highway Department removed approximately six (6) tons of sediment from ditches along the County Roads in the month of August. Waste was left in fields if

property owners needed it for filling in low field areas or hauled it to the Bartholomew County Fairgrounds for future use.

The Highway Department helped organize the Bartholomew County/City of Columbus Advisory Committee, per Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) suggestions, to get Bartholomew County caught up to date on Part C and the MS4's permits. The Committee includes from the City – the Engineer's Office, the City Garage and City Utilities. The County includes: the Highway Department Engineer, the Environmental Health Department, the IT Department, the County Council, the Commissioners, the Surveyor's Office, the GIS Department, and the Drainage Board. Plus, the City/County Department's Code Enforcement, the Solid Waste Management District, the Purdue Extension Office, and the Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD). The committee is also starting the process for a Memorandum of Understanding and possibly a Co-Permit. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to approve the Monthly Stormwater Report for August 2011. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, County Attorney J. Grant Tucker opened the one (1) bid that was received for Bridge 300 located at Tipton Lakes. Engineer Hollander mentioned that four (4) companies did pick up plans. This bid was from Milestone Contractors in the amount of \$134,354.20. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to take this bid under advisement for Bridge 300 in the amount \$134,354.20. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Bartholomew County resident Mike Lovelace asked the Commissioners why they were going to spend that much money on repairing Bridge 300 when they can repair it for approximately \$25,000. Mr. Lovelace asked if it was because of its location. Chairman Lienhoop said that Bridge 300 was built by the Tipton Lakes, Inc. developer and given to the County as a gift. Bridge 300 is approximately thirty (30) years old and is covered with Brown County stone. This stone is not durable and is eroding and the guardrail needs to be replaced. Normally, the County builds bridges that last at a minimum of fifty (50) to seventy-five (75) years. This bridge is now the County's responsibility. Mr. Lovelace asked how much money Geico insurance gave the County for this bridge. Engineer Hollander said Geico gave a maximum amount of \$10,000 to replace the guardrail. Chairman Lienhoop said that the Commissioners will be more cautious on accepting bridges that are given to them as gifts in the future.

Mr. Lovelace asked if the Commissioners thought about suing them for more money. Mr. Lovelace said he feels like the Commissioners are throwing away \$100,000 after listening to the County Council discuss the budget and making cuts to make ends meet. Mr. Lovelace said that the Commissioners seem to be willing to spend this money to fix this bridge because of where it is located. Yet, some Bartholomew County residents have come in numerous times to get help with drainage issues, and yet nothing has been done to help them.

Next, Director of the Planning Department Jeff Bergman presented the Commissioners with an **Ordinance Amending the Columbus and Bartholomew**

**County Zoning Ordinance for the Jurisdiction of Bartholomew County for second reading.** The Planning Commission has sent on a few language changes in this ordinance on trash enclosures to the Commissioners. These enclosure requirements are only effective for new constructions. Other trash enclosures that already exist are grandfathered in and not affected by these changes.

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COLUMBUS & BARTHOLOMEW  
COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE JURISDICTION OF  
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY**

**Favorably Recommended by  
Bartholomew County Plan Commission General Resolution 2011-01**

**WHEREAS**, on February 4, 2008 the Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County passed Ordinance No. 3, 2008 adopting a replacement zoning ordinance, including zoning maps, for the jurisdiction of Bartholomew County; and

**WHEREAS**, since the adoption of that replacement zoning ordinance its effectiveness has been reviewed and evaluated by the Bartholomew County Plan Commission and its professional staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission and its professional staff have identified provisions of the replacement zoning ordinance that require revision and/or clarification; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Commission, acting through its professional staff, has prepared a set of revisions for the replacement zoning ordinance for the jurisdiction of Bartholomew County; and

**WHEREAS**, the replacement zoning ordinance and this set of revisions were prepared for the purposes described by IC 36-7-4-601(c); including (1) the securing of adequate light, air, convenience of access, and safety from fire, flood, and other danger; (2) lessening or avoiding congestion in public ways, and (3) promoting the public health, safety, comfort, morals, convenience, and general welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bartholomew County Comprehensive Plan, adopted in a series of elements from 1999 through 2003, provides the policy guidance for the creation and revision of the zoning ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bartholomew County Plan Commission did, on June 8, 2011, hold a legally advertised public hearing on the zoning ordinance revisions and has certified a favorable recommendation for their adoption to the Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of Bartholomew County, Indiana has considered the criteria provided by IC 36-7-4-603; including (1) the Comprehensive Plan, (2) the current conditions in each district, (3) the most desirable use for land in each district, (4) the conservation of property values, and (5) responsible growth and development.

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

### **SECTION 1: Zoning Ordinance Amended**

The Columbus & Bartholomew County Zoning Ordinance, adopted as Ordinance No. 3, 2008, is amended for the jurisdiction of Bartholomew County as follows:

1. Errors & Omissions: Errors and omissions in the document are corrected as described below:
  - a. Chapter 3.5 Intent is revised to read "...and non-agricultural property within the community."
  - b. Chapter 3.16(A) is amended to delete the "Agriculture Use" heading and the "farmer's market" use listed under that heading.
  - c. Table 3.1 – Commercial Uses, Personal Service Uses is revised to delete "bank".
  - d. Table 3.1 – Industrial Uses, Light Industrial Processing & Distribution / Tool and Die Shop is revised to correct the spelling of "die".
  - e. Section 6.1(C)(3) is revised to be titled and read as "...outdoor storage, display and/or sales". The same change is made in all instances where similar phrasing is used in Subsections 6.1(C)(3)(b) and (d).
  - f. Section 6.1(C)(3)(c) is revised to read "Loading Areas: Any outdoor staging area intended for the temporary loading and/or unloading of materials shall be clearly marked as such. These staging areas may not be used for outdoor storage, display and/or sales unless they meet the requirements for such uses provided by this Chapter."
  - g. Sections 6.1(C)(3)(f), (g) and (h) are revised to consistently refer to "...outdoor sales and/or display...". This includes all similar phrasing in all subsections.
  - h. Section 6.1(C)(3)(g)(ii) is revised to read "All outdoor sales and/or display areas shall be paved..."

- i. Section 6.1(C)(3)(h)(ii) is revised to make reference to Section 8.1(C)(1), rather than 8.1(C)(3)(a).
- j. Section 6.1(D)(1) is revised to read "...otherwise commonly known as..."
- k. Section 6.8(A)(1) is revised to reference Section 6.8(D) rather than 6.8(C).
- l. Section 7.1(Part 1)(A)(5) is deleted.
- m. Section 7.2(Part 1)(A) is revised to delete subsections 4, 5, and 6; with subsections 7 and 8 renumbered as appropriate.
- n. Section 7.2(Part 4)(A)(1) is revised to read "All parking spaces and any driveways, including any access drives shall be paved."
- o. Section 7.2(Part 4)(C) is revised to consistently apply the phrase "loading areas".
- p. Section 7.3(Part 1)(C)(3)(c)(ii) is revised to read "Collector Street or Road: 200 feet"
- q. Section 8.2(E)(4) is revised to reference "Section 8.2(C)(1)(c)".
- r. Section 9.1(A)(2) is deleted. Also, Section 9.1(A)(1) is merged with Section 9.1(A).
- s. Section 9.1(B)(4) is revised to read "...the permitted height requirements for primary structures for the zoning district..."
- t. Section 9.4(E)(1) is revised to read "...directed toward adjacent streets, roads, or adjoining properties."
- u. Section 9.4(A) is revised to read as follows: (i) "...not to exceed 0.1 foot-candles is hereby established as a consistent...", (ii) "...in instances where exterior lighting at property lines is to be regulated" and (iii) "...in determining compliance with exterior lighting standards related to property lines".
- v. Section 10(D)(7) is revised to read "...on which the sign is located, with the exception of multi-lot freestanding signs permitted by Section 10(H)(3)(c)."
- w. Section 10(E) is revised to read "The following signs are permitted and shall not require a permit..."
- x. Section 10(H)(3)(c) is revised to correctly spell "property" in line 7.

- y. Section 10(H)(17) is revised to read “...in a manner that reduces the width of a required sidewalk to less than 5 feet.”
- z. Table 10.1 is revised to include additional description of the requirements for added clarity as follows:
  - i. Wall Sign (ground floor uses): “Maximum Number (for each public street or road frontage per use)”
  - ii. Wall Sign (ground floor uses): “Maximum Total Area for all Wall Signs per Use (whichever is less)....”
  - iii. Wall Sign (upper floor uses): “Maximum Total Area for all Wall Signs per primary structure (whichever is less)....”
  - iv. Freestanding Sign (single use lot): “Maximum Number (for each public street or road frontage per lot)”
  - v. Freestanding Sign (single use lot): “Maximum Area for Each Sign (square feet)”
  - vi. Freestanding Sign (multiple use lot): “Maximum Number (for each public street or road frontage per lot)”
  - vii. Freestanding Sign (multiple use lot): “Maximum Area for Each Sign (square feet)”
  - viii. Development Entry Sign: “Maximum Number (per public street/road access point)”
  - ix. Directional Sign: “Maximum Number (per driveway)”
  - x. Directional Sign: “Maximum Area per Sign (square feet)”
  - xi. Directory Sign: “Maximum Area per Sign (square feet)”
  - xii. Window Sign: “Maximum Total Area for all Window Signs per Use (whichever is less)....”
  - xiii. Suspended Sign: “Maximum Area per Sign (square feet)”
  - xiv. Pedestrian Entry Sign: “Maximum Area per Sign (square feet)”
  - xv. Banner Sign: “Maximum Area per Sign (square feet)”
- aa. Section 11.3(B)(4) is revised to reference Section 11.5(B)(8).
- bb. Section 11.4(B)(3) is revised to correct the spelling of “compliance” and “structure”.
- cc. Section 12.9(B)(2) is revised to correct the spelling of “from”.
- dd. Chapter 14.2 “Frontage” definition is revised to read as “The location where a lot or other parcel abuts a street or road. See also *Lot Frontage*”.
- ee. Chapter 14.2 “Agricultural Structure” definition is revised to read “An agricultural structure shall be distinguished...”



- ff. Chapter 14.2 “Road” definition is revised to read “...that affords vehicular access to abutting property, excluding those that meet the definition of a street. See also *Street*.”
  - gg. Chapter 14.2 “Worship Facility” definition is revised to read “...or any other facility used primarily for worship...”
2. Section 1.2(B)(2) – Federal and State Property: is revised to read “This ordinance shall not apply to any property owned or occupied by the government of the State of Indiana or the United States of American (consistent with IC 36-7-4-1104). However, this ordinance shall apply to all property owned and/or operated by other units of local government...”
  3. Section 1.2(B) – Utility Exemptions: subsection 1.2(B)(5) is added reading “Utility Facilities: This ordinance shall not apply to the supply, distribution, collection, or other service facilities of any utility that both (a) is regulated by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission and (b) has been granted the power of eminent domain. This exemption includes installations such as transmission lines, water towers, treatment plants, booster stations, lift stations, etc. This exemption does not include general office space, equipment yards, and other similar administrative facilities the location of which does not relate to the provision of utility services.” Also, a note stating “See also Section 1.2(B)(5) for exemptions.” is added to the Communications/Utility Uses section header of Table 3.1 and each Section A (Permitted Primary Uses) and Section B (Conditional Primary Uses) in Chapters 3.4 through 3.24 that include listings of Communication / Utility Uses.
  4. Section 1.3(B) – Overlapping Regulations: is deleted and replaced with the following: “This Ordinance shall apply regardless of any private covenants, private contracts, or private agreements. In no instance shall this Ordinance be interpreted as altering or negating any such private restrictions or any other applicable regulations, state laws, or federal laws, or preventing their enforcement by the appropriate entity.”
  5. Section 1.4(G)(3) – Bodies of Water: is amended for the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence to read as follows: “...shall be construed as moving with any changes in the actual shore line and including all aspects of any uses that extend from the shore line into the water, such as marinas, mineral extraction operations, floating restaurants, etc., even if their only presence on land is a dock or other departure point.”
  6. Article 3 – Commercial: Downtown Support (CDS) Zoning District: is amended to include a new Commercial: Downtown Support zoning district as Chapter 3.17; with the Intent, Permitted Uses, Conditional Uses, Lot Standards, and Utility Connections & Subdivision Limitations as portrayed on the attached Exhibit “A” (which is made a part of this ordinance). Also, all cross-references and other Zoning Ordinance content is re-organized as appropriate to accommodate the added zoning district. Further, the

following specific changes are made to the development standards and other related content:

- a. Table 3.1 (Zoning Districts Use Matrix) is updated to include the CDS district and its permitted and conditional uses.
  - b. Table 6.1 (Permitted Accessory Uses) is updated to include the CDS district, with all content to duplicate that of the CC zoning district.
  - c. Table 6.2 (Permitted Accessory Structures) is updated to include the CDS district, with all content to duplicate that of the CC zoning district.
  - d. Table 6.5 (Telecommunications Facilities Table) is updated to include the CDS district, with all content to duplicate that of the CD zoning district.
  - e. Section 7.1(A)(1) is revised to read “Downtown and Downtown Support Exemptions: all properties located in the CD, Commercial Downtown and CDS, Commercial Downtown Support zoning districts shall be fully or partially exempt from the requirement that off-street parking spaces be provided as described below. However, all design, construction, and other requirements established by this Article shall apply to any parking areas that are established. (a) all properties located in the CD, Downtown Commercial zoning district shall be fully exempt. (b) all properties located in the CDS, Downtown Commercial Support zoning district may provide only 50% of the parking spaces otherwise required by this Ordinance if the use of the property is not auto-oriented, the use of the property does not include any drive-up window or facility, and the primary structure establishes a primary pedestrian entrance and zero (0) foot build-to-line on at least 1 public street frontage.”
  - f. Section 7.3(Part 1)(D)(5) is revised to read “...with the exception of those located in the CD, Commercial Downtown and CDS, Commercial Downtown Support zoning districts, shall maintain a clear vision area...”
  - g. Section 8.1(A)(1) is revised to read “Downtown and Downtown Support Districts: Properties located within the CD, Commercial Downtown and CDS, Commercial Downtown Support zoning districts shall be exempt...”
  - h. Tables 8.3 and 8.4 (Required Buffer Types Tables) are updated to include the CDS district, with a type “A” buffer required between this district and all residential zoning districts.
  - i. Table 10.1 (Permitted Signs Table) is updated to include the CDS district, with all content to duplicate that of the CC zoning district.
  - j. Section 14.2 – Commercial Zoning District definition is revised to also include the CDS, Commercial Downtown Support zoning district.
7. Section 3.2(C) – Minor Essential Services: is revised to state “Minor essential services shall be permitted in all zoning districts; no permit shall be required.” Also, the following text is added: “Minor essential services shall also include unstaffed utility installations, such as sewer lift stations, used in direct support of collection or distribution systems. In no instance shall minor essential services be deemed to include waste water treatment plants, water towers, or any other uses specifically listed in Chapters 3.4 through 3.24 and Table 3.1. Further, minor essential services shall not include any telecommunications facilities regulated by Chapter 6.8.”

8. Section 3.3(C)(2) – Lot Area: is revised to read “...excluding any rights-of-way or similar dedications to the public and any areas that are regularly covered by water a majority of the calendar year.”
9. Section 3.3(C)(6) – Setback from Interstate Highways: is revised to include a subsection “c” which reads “Interstate Highways: The minimum setback for all interstate highways shall equal that which is specified for an Arterial Road in the applicable zoning district.”
10. Sections 3.4(C), 3.5(C) and 3.6(C) – Minimum Lot Frontage: are revised to set the minimum lot frontage to 30 feet for all lots.
11. Sections 3.7(B) through 3.15(B) and Section 3.17(B) – Community Garden: are revised to add “community garden” to the list of Conditional Primary Uses under the heading of Public / Semi-public Use. Also, “community garden” is added as a Public / Semi-public Use in Table 3.1 and indicated as conditional in the RR, RS1, RS2, RS3, RS4, RE, RT, RM, RMH, and CN zoning districts. Further, Chapter 14.2 is revised to include a definition of community garden as follows: “Community Garden: a location where a government agency, neighborhood association, church group, or other entity offers seasonal garden plots or a common garden area for use by the public to grow fruits and vegetables for their individual household and/or community use. The term community garden includes associated parking areas, tool sheds, and water supplies, but not the sale or distribution of the items grown on site.”
12. Section 3.21(A) – Community Garden: is revised to add “community garden” to the list of Permitted Primary Uses under the heading of Public / Semi-public Use. Also, Table 3.1 is amended to indicate “community garden” as permitted in the P zoning district.
13. Section 3.12(C) – Minimum Garage Front Setback in the RE District: is revised for the minimum front setback text to read as follows “...of the subject property, however all garage vehicle entrances facing a public street shall have a minimum front setback of 25 feet.”
14. Sections 3.7(C) through 3.13(C) – Maximum Accessory Structure Height: is revised to add the following to the maximum height provisions for an accessory structure “(or the height of the primary structure on the property, whichever is less).”
15. Section 3.12(C) – Residential Established (RE) Accessory Structure Setback: is revised for the minimum side and rear yard setbacks to be 3 feet.
16. Section 3.16(C) – Downtown Commercial (CD) Primary Structure Maximum Height: is revised for the maximum height for primary structures to read “125 feet, except for the following - (1) Washington Street Frontage: 60 feet, for the one-half block on each side of Washington Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Streets and (2) Residential Context: 50 feet, within one-half block of any single-family residential zoning district”.

17. Section 3.16 – Downtown Commercial (CD) Intent: is revised to make the CD district a site development plan district by adding the following “The ‘CD’, Commercial, Downtown zoning district is established as a Site Development Plan district consistent with the IC 36-7-4-1400 series and Chapter 12.8 of this Ordinance.” Also, Section 12.8(G)(1)(b) is deleted and replaced with “change the primary use to a different use for which this Ordinance has established different use-related development standards (such as minimum number of parking spaces required, etc.).”
18. Section 3.21 – Public / Semi-public Facilities (P) Intent: is revised for the 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence to read “This district should be applied in those locations where a single facility or combination of facilities forms an institutional center.”
19. Table 3.1 – Public / Semi-public Uses – Places of Assembly: is revised to establish “community centers” and “worship facilities” as permitted uses in the CC and CR zoning districts. Also, Sections 3.19(A) and (B) and 3.20(A) and (B) are amended to reflect this change.
20. Table 3.1 – Public / Semi-public Uses – Day-care Centers: is amended to establish “day-care centers (adult or child)” as conditional uses in the RS1, RS2, RS3, RS4, RE, RT, RM, and RMH zoning districts. Also, Section (A) of Chapters 3.8 through 3.15 is revised to reflect this change.
21. Chapter 5.7 – PUD Modifications: is revised to be titled as “Modifications”, with corresponding revisions to the article and document tables of contents. Also, Section 5.7(A) is re-titled as “Minor Modifications” and Sections 5.7(B) and 5.7(C) are re-organized as Subsections 5.7(A)(3) and (4) respectively. Further, a new Section 5.7(B) is added as follows: “Major Modifications: All modifications that exceed the limitations for minor modifications shall be considered major modifications. The application and review procedure and decision criteria for a major modification shall be the same as that for a PUD final plan and rezoning established by Chapter 5.4 of this Ordinance.”
22. Section 5.8(B) – PUD Final Plan Expiration: is deleted and replaced with the following: “Final Plan Expiration: Final PUD Plans that take the form of a site plan for an individual lot shall expire consistent with the provisions of IC 36-7-4-1109. Final Plans that take the form of a set of specifications and/or regulations for all or part of the PUD area shall not expire.”
23. Section 6.1(C)(2) – Trash & Recycling Containers: is deleted and revised to read:

All dumpsters and other similar trash containers with a capacity of 2 cubic yards or greater shall be screened from view of all public streets and roads and all adjacent properties. At a minimum, where dumpsters are not otherwise screened by structures or other obstructions, the screening shall consist of a 6 foot tall, 100% opaque fence of wood, stone, masonry, architectural metal, or other similar construction providing the

required opacity. Where necessary to meet the screening requirement access gates shall also be provided and shall be 100% opaque. In no instance shall chain link fence interwoven with plastic strips or other similar fencing be considered as 100% opaque for the purposes of the fencing and/or gates required by this section. Further, no such dumpster or other similar container shall be located in any front yard, with the exception, in the case of a through lot, of the front yard opposite the front orientation of the primary structure. The following exemptions from these requirements shall apply:

- a. Agricultural uses shall be exempt from the requirements of this section in their entirety.
- b. Dumpsters and other similar trash containers that are located along and accessed for emptying by an alley shall not be required to be screened from view of non-residential uses on adjacent lots, including those on the opposite side of the alley.
- c. All recycling containers for exclusive use of the public shall be exempt from these requirements as long as the recycling container(s) located on any single property do not exceed a total capacity of 40 cubic yards. However, a site plan and improvement location permit will continue to be required.

24. Section 6.1(C)(3)(b) – Outdoor Storage, Display and/or Sales Locations: is revised to read “...loading area, accessway, required accessory structure setback or applicable...”
25. Section 6.1(C)(3)(e) – Outdoor Storage, Display and/or Sales Exemptions: is revised to reorganize the existing text as Subsection 6.1(C)(3)(e)(ii), to add the following as a replacement 6.1(C)(3)(e): “Exemptions: The following exemptions shall apply:”, and add a new 6.1(C)(3)(e)(i): “Vending machines shall be exempt from these outdoor storage, display and/or sales standards provided they are accessory to a use other than single or two-family residential, that the items for sale are completely enclosed in the vending device, and they are not located in any required accessory structure setback area or buffer yard.”
26. Section 6.1(C)(3)(f)(iii) – Temporary Sales and/or Display Business Hours: is revised to read “...left outside beyond typical daytime business hours (6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.) shall require...”
27. Section 6.1(C)(3)(g)(iii) – Sales and/or Display Area Enclosure: is revised to read “...fence or wall of a height equal to the items displayed, up to a maximum of 8 feet and made of...”
28. Section 6.1(E)(3) – Yard Location for Accessory Structures: is revised to add a 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence that reads “In the case of through lots the prohibition on accessory structures in the front yard shall apply only to the front yard to which the primary structure faces; accessory structures shall be prohibited from being located in the required setback for the other front yard.”
29. Section 6.1(E)(4) – Vehicle Access to Accessory Structures: is revised to read “...shall be setback no less than 25 feet from the adjacent right-of-way (to allow for off-street

parking). Properties located in the RE, Established Residential zoning district shall be exempt from this requirement in the case of access from alleys, but not where vehicle access is provided by a public street or road.”

30. Section 6.1(F)(4) – Swimming Pools and Hot Tubs: is deleted in its entirety and replaced with “The provisions of this Ordinance shall only apply to pools and hot tubs that exceed 18 inches in depth.”

31. Section 7.1(Table 7.1) – Multi-family Parking Requirements: is revised as follows:

| Residential Uses   |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| For this use..   | ...the following minimum number of parking spaces is required.. | ...for every:   |
| Bed and Breakfast Facility                                       | 2   | facility (to serve the resident family), <b>plus</b>  |
|  | 1   | guest room  |
| Single and Two-family Residential                                | 2   | dwelling unit   |
| Multi-family Residential and Manufactured Home Parks             | 1.5   | dwelling unit, <b>plus</b>  |
|  | 1   | non-resident employee in multi-family developments and manufactured home parks, <b>plus</b>         |
|  | 1   | 6 persons of seating capacity in any accessory community center, meeting hall, or similar facility. |
| Nursing Homes, Assisted Living Facilities and other Similar Uses | 1   | dwelling unit, 3 beds, or 2 patient rooms, whichever is less, <b>plus</b>                           |
|  | 1   | employee  |

32. Section 7.1(Part 1)(A)(2) – On-street and Public Parking: is revised to read as follows:

“On-premise Requirements: All required parking spaces shall be located on the same property with the use(s) for which they are required, with the following exceptions:

- On Street and Public Parking: uses in all commercial, public / semi-public, and industrial zoning districts may count 20% of any public spaces within 300 feet of the property on which the use is located toward meeting the minimum number of required parking spaces. Public spaces include those both (i) located on streets upon which the subject property has frontage and (ii) located in public parking lots.
- Off-site and Shared Parking: off-site and/or shared parking may be established consistent with Section 7.1(Part 2)(A) of this Ordinance.”

33. Section 7.1(Part 2)(C)(Table 7.4) – Bicycle Parking: is deleted and replaced with the following:

| Total Vehicle Parking Spaces Required | Bicycle Spaces Required |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 - 25                                | 0                       |
| 26 - 250                              | 2                       |
| over 250                              | 4                       |

34. Section 7.2(Part 4)(B)(1) – Parking Lot Front Setback: is revised to add a new 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence that reads “The provided setback area shall be designed, constructed, and maintained as a grass lawn or landscaped area.” The current 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence becomes the 4<sup>th</sup> sentence.
35. Section 7.2(Part 4)(B)(2) – Parking Lot Side and Rear Setback: is revised to add a new 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence that reads “The provided setback area shall be designed, constructed, and maintained as a grass lawn or landscaped area.” The current 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence becomes the 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence. Also, the following is added as the 4<sup>th</sup> sentence: “Also exempt shall be instances where new property lines are added in existing parking lots as part of infill development and/or redevelopment activities.”
36. Section 7.2(Part 4)(B)(4) – Interior Driveway Width Requirements: is revised to add a new subsection (d) that reads “20 feet for two-way traffic and no parking”.
37. Section 7.3(Part 1)(D)(2) – Driveway Entrance Width: is deleted and replaced with the following:
- “All entrances shall be designed to provide clear, distinct points by which vehicles enter and exit property. Typically, a vehicle access point shall include one entry and one exit lane of adequate, but not excessive, width to accommodate the anticipated vehicle user types. Multi-family and non-residential accesses may also include turn lanes as deemed acceptable by the City Engineer. All access point widths shall be measured at the right-of-way line. The measurement shall exclude any acceleration or deceleration lanes, tapers, and turning radii. No access point to a single or two-family residential use shall exceed 24 feet in width. No access point to a multi-family residential or non-residential use shall exceed 14 feet in width per lane where typical access is by passenger automobiles and 20 feet in width per lane where access is by large vehicles (service vehicles, school buses, delivery vehicles, semi-tractor trailers, etc.).” Also, Section 7.3(Part 1)(D)(3) is revised to read “...shall be a minimum of 6 feet in width and a maximum of 10 feet in width.”
38. Section 7.3(Part 1)(D)(5)(Table 7.7) – Intersection Visibility Requirements: is deleted and replaced with the following:

| Measure along this type of street, road, or driveway the distance shown... |                               | ..from its intersection with this type of street, road, or driveway. |           |       |                   |
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|  |                               | Arterial   | Collector | Local | Driveway or Alley |
| Arterial   | Thru or Yield Controlled      | 150  | 150       | 150   | 150               |
|  | Stop Sign or Light Controlled | 15   | 15        | 15    | 15                |
| Collector  | Thru or Yield Controlled      | 75   | 75        | 75    | 75                |
|  | Stop Sign or Light Controlled | 15   | 15        | 15    | 15                |
| Local  | Thru or Yield Controlled      | 75   | 75        | 75    | 75                |
|  | Stop Sign or Light Controlled | 15   | 15        | 15    | 15                |
| Driveway or Alley  | Thru or Yield Controlled      | 65   | 40        | 40    | Not Applicable    |
|  | Stop Sign or Light Controlled | 15   | 15        | 15    | 15                |

Also, Figure 7.6 is deleted. Further, Section 7.3(Part 1)(D)(5)(a) is revised to read “The sight visibility triangle shall be established by connecting the following three points (1) the point at the intersection of nearest edge of the nearest travel lane on each intersecting street, road, driveway, or alley and (2 and 3) the points along the nearest edge of each nearest travel lane at the distances specified by the Sight Visibility Standards Table”.

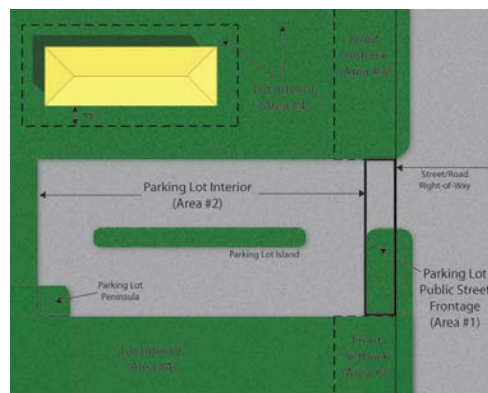
39. Section 7.3(Part 2)(A) – Sidewalk Exemptions: is deleted and replaced with the following:

“Public Sidewalks Required: All development in Multi-Family Residential, Commercial, Public/Semi-Public and Industrial zoning districts shall provide public sidewalks in all adjoining street and road rights-of-way.

1. Exemptions: The following exemptions shall apply to this requirement:
  - a. No sidewalks shall be required adjacent to Interstate Highways or within other similar street or road rights-of-way where pedestrians are prohibited.
  - b. Development in industrial zoning districts shall not be required to provide sidewalks along any Local Street or Road.
  - c. Sidewalk replacement shall not be required in situations where sidewalks are already present, but do not meet the minimum design and construction requirements of the Subdivision Control Ordinance.
  - d. No sidewalk shall be required for development on property for which the Plan Commission has previously granted a modification of the sidewalk requirement of the Subdivision Control Ordinance.
2. Design & Construction Requirements: All sidewalks shall be designed and constructed to meet the sidewalk requirements of the Subdivision Control Ordinance for the street or road with which they are associated. This includes any increased requirements necessary to provide a sidepath or multi-use trail as specified by the Columbus Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan Comprehensive Plan Element.



3. Sidewalks Beyond Existing Right-of-Way: The sidewalk and a sidewalk easement shall be provided adjacent to the existing right-of-way in all instances where that right-of-way is of insufficient width for sidewalk installation.
  4. Asphalt Path Option: The Planning Director may authorize an asphalt path as an acceptable alternative for a sidewalk in the jurisdiction of Bartholomew County.”
40. Section 8.1(C)(1) – Parking Lot Frontage Landscaping: an additional sentence is added that reads: “For the purpose of determining the amount of landscaping required the frontage shall be rounded to the nearest 50 feet.” Also, Subsection 8.1(C)(1)(a) is revised to read “...a minimum of 1 large tree or 1.25 medium trees (excluding ornamental trees), plus...” Further, Subsection 8.1(C)(1)(b) is revised to read “A minimum of 1 large tree or 1.25 medium trees (excluding ornamental trees), plus...”
  41. Section 8.1(C)(2)(c) – Parking Lot Interior Landscaping: is revised to read “A minimum of 1 large tree or medium tree (excluding ornamental trees), and...”
  42. Section 8.1(E)(2) – Landscaping Financial Guarantee: is revised to read “...provided that a performance guarantee in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit, performance bond, cashier’s check, cash, or money order is posted with the City or County. Personal checks shall not be accepted.”
  43. Figure 8.3 – Required Landscaping Areas: is revised such that the top of the 2 images is deleted and replaced with the following:



44. Section 8.2(G) – Other Use of Buffers Prohibited: is re-organized as Section 8.1(B), with the existing Section 8.1(B) and all subsequent sections re-numbered and re-lettered as appropriate. Also, all affected cross-references are appropriately revised. Further, the following is added to the new 8.1(B) “The buffer area shall not overlap any drainage easement, utility easement, or other similar easement or area that would conflict with the planting, maintenance, and/or maturing of landscaping.”

45. Section 9.1(B)(4) – Height of Necessary Appurtenances: is revised to read “...may exceed the permitted height requirements for the applicable structure type (primary, accessory, etc.) for the zoning district in which they are located...”
46. Section 9.2(L) – Waste & Debris Regulations: is deleted in its entirety.
47. Section 9.3(A) – Outdoor Storage, Display and/or Sales Fence Regulation Exemption: is revised to add Subsection 9.3(A)(6) as follows: “Outdoor Storage, Display and/or Sales Areas: Fences required for the screening of areas of outdoor storage, display, and/or sales shall comply with the provisions of Section 6.1(C)(3) of this Ordinance.”
48. Section 9.3(A) – Setback Fence Regulation Exemption: is revised to add Subsection 9.3(A)(7) as follows: “Fences Setback from Property Lines: Fences that are setback from property lines, provided that such fences comply with all regulations established by this Ordinance for accessory structures in the applicable zoning district.”
49. Section 9.3(C)(2) – Residential Fence Height Limits: is revised to read “No fence or wall shall exceed a height of 8 feet in any side or rear yard or 42 inches in any front yard. When applying this subsection to through lots (which technically have 2 front yards), the front yard on to which the primary structure faces shall be considered the front yard, and the other front yard shall be considered a rear yard. Corner lots shall be considered as having 2 front yards, consistent with the other provisions of this ordinance.”
50. Section 9.4(A) – Lighting Measurement Criteria: is revised to read “A level of illumination not to exceed 0.1 foot-candles is hereby established as a consistent maximum in instances where exterior lighting at property lines is regulated. It is further revised as follows “...in determining compliance with exterior lighting standards related to property lines.”
51. Section 9.4(E) – Property Illumination: is revised to delete the current 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence and therefore read as follows: “The exterior illumination of all properties shall be designed and installed so as to prevent glare from affecting adjacent streets and excessive light trespass from affecting adjacent properties. No exterior illumination...” Further, Section 9.4(E)(2) is revised to be titled as “Free-standing Light Fixtures & General Parking Area/Yard Lighting” and read as follows: “The provisions of this section shall apply to all free-standing light fixtures, such as parking lot lighting, and all free-standing, building-mounted, and other fixtures intended to illuminate parking areas, yards, and other outdoor spaces. All such fixtures shall be limited to a maximum total height of 30 feet for industrial uses and 25 feet for all other uses. Each free-standing light fixture may be provided with a base of up to 36 inches in height, which will not be included in the total height measurement. All free-standing and general parking area/yard lighting shall make use of 90 degree cut-off fixtures with fully recessed lens covers.”
52. Section 10(D)(4) – Vehicle Signs: is deleted and replaced with the following:

“Vehicle Signs: Signs placed on vehicles parked on public or private property primarily for the purpose of displaying the sign. In no instance shall this be interpreted to prohibit any of the following when (1) the vehicle(s) in question are properly parked in lawfully designated parking spaces and (2) the sign takes the form of a decal that is directly related to the vehicle’s use:

- a. Decals identifying the use or other affiliation of vehicles parked for the purpose of lawfully making deliveries, sales, or service calls;
- b. Decals identifying the use or other affiliation of vehicles in regular use for transporting persons or property;
- c. Decals displayed on business vehicles parked at the driver’s residence or other locations for the driver’s transportation or convenience.”

53. Section 10(E) – Murals & Art as Sign Regulation Exemptions: is revised to include a new Subsection 10(E)(17) titled as “Murals & Art” and reading as follows: “Murals and Art Exhibits, both temporary and permanent. Murals and art shall be distinguished from other displays meeting the definition of a sign in that murals and art are sized, designed, and located so as to be clearly secondary to the use of the property; affecting the aesthetic of the property without drawing specific attention to the use(s) present on site. The terms mural and art shall not include any corporate logos or any statuary, images, or other items that directly relate to the use(s) on site and/or the lines of business and/or services provided.”

54. Section 10(G)(2) – Measurement of Embedded Signs: is revised to add a new Subsection 10(G)(2)(c) reading as follows: “Embedded Signs: Signs embedded and/or incorporated as part of a mural, statute, other art display, or architectural feature shall be measured based on the area and height from ground level of the sign itself, excluding the mural, art, or architectural feature.”

55. Section 10(G)(2)(b) – Separate Signs: is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“Each portion of a sign display that is both physically and visually separated from other portions shall be considered to be a separate sign. Spaces between lines of type, letters, logo elements, etc. are not to be construed as physical separations in instances where these elements form a single composition intended to be viewed as a whole. To be considered as a single sign the various elements (primary and secondary elements) and/or components (changeable copy sign, time & temperature sign, etc.) of freestanding signs shall not be separated from any other element or component by more than 6 inches, either horizontally or vertically, regardless of the number of poles or other supports used.”

56. Section 10(H) – Lots & Tenant Spaces Without Street or Road Frontage: is revised to add the following after the first sentence: “In instances where the amount of signage permitted is determined by frontage on a public street or road and a lot or tenant space does not have any frontage on a public street or road, and instead gains access through an access easement or private street, the amount of signage allowed shall be calculated as if

there were a single street or road frontage for that lot or tenant. When applicable, the area of the wall on which the primary entrance to the building or tenant space is located shall be used for the calculation of the maximum sign area.”

57. Section 10(H)(3)(b) – Gas Stations / Convenience Stores as Separate Uses: is revised to add: “For the purposes of this Chapter, gas stations and associated convenience stores located on the same lot shall be considered as two separate business uses when operated and branded separately.”
58. Section 10(H)(4) – Projecting Sign Size: is revised to read: “...no projecting sign shall extend further than 6 feet horizontally from the wall to which it is attached.”
59. Section 10(H)(5) – Roof-mounted Signs: a new Section 10(H)(5) is added as follows: “Roof-mounted Signs: Where permitted, a roof-mounted sign may be used as an alternate for a freestanding sign. The roof-mounted sign shall count towards the number and area allowed for the freestanding sign(s) on the property up to the maximum number and area allowed for roof-mounted signs in the Permitted Signs Table (Table 10.1). However, in no instance shall any portion of the roof-mounted sign extend above the highest point of the roof on which it is mounted.” Also, the existing Sections 10(H)(5) through 10(H)(17) are retained and renumbered as appropriate. Further, Table 10.1 is amended to add “Roof-mounted Sign (as an alternate for a Freestanding Sign)” under the heading of Permanent Primary Signs (Options & Alternates). Roof-mounted signs shall be shown as permitted in the CN, CO, CC, and CR zoning districts with a maximum number of “1 per street or road frontage” and a maximum square footage “Equal to that permitted per sign for a Freestanding Sign on the same property” in each zoning district.
60. Table 10.1 (Note 4) – Downtown Commercial Freestanding Signs: is revised to add a second sentence that reads: “This provision applies separately to each public street frontage for lots meeting the minimum size requirement, provided that the freestanding sign shall be placed on the qualifying frontage.”
61. Table 10.1 (Permanent Secondary Signs) – Directional Signs in the CD Zoning District: is revised to list directional signs as permitted “P”, rather than conditional “C”.
62. Section 12.4(A)(1) – Conditional Use Application Site Plan: is deleted and replaced with the following: “Use Description: A written narrative or sketch of the proposed use on the subject property that clearly describes features that are related to the conditional use request. Such features may include anticipated traffic circulation, buffering of adjacent uses, etc.”
63. Section 12.8(F) – Site Development Plan Written Commitments: is revised to include the final sentence in a new subsection 12.8(F)(1) titled “Written Commitments Defined” and reading as follows: “Specifically, written commitments shall be defined as any elements of the site development plan that provide an alternate for and/or exceed the otherwise applicable development standards for the zoning district in which the property is located.

Written commitments may also include any specific actions to be taken by the applicant to remedy an issue related to the property or its development.” Also, the existing 2<sup>nd</sup>-to-last paragraph of Section 12.8(F) is deleted and existing subsections 12.8(F)(1) and (2) are renumbered as appropriate. Further, Subsection 12.8(F)(1) is revised to read “...until the written commitments are recorded (either in the form of the site development plan drawing itself or as a text document). The written commitments shall be...”

64. Section 12.9(A) – ILP General Requirements: is deleted and replaced with the following:

“No construction, use or other activity regulated by this Ordinance shall begin on any property prior to the issuance of an Improvement Location Permit, as required by this Ordinance. Construction includes the erecting, moving, adding to, occupying, and/or use of any structure; the installation of any other built features (such as parking lot pavement); and the initiation or expansion of any use of land. Construction does not include the clearing and preparation of the land for construction or the demolition of structures. No Improvement Location Permit shall be issued unless the project is in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance, the Subdivision Control Ordinance, and other applicable regulations of the City of Columbus or Bartholomew County, as applicable. When a building permit is required it shall serve as the ILP. When a building permit is not required, the Zoning Compliance Certificate shall serve as the ILP.”

65. Section 12.9(B)(1) – Outdoor Storage, Sales and/or Display Permit Requirements: is revised to include a new subsection “j” reading “Non-residential Outdoor Storage, Display and/or Sales Areas: the addition, enlargement, relocation, or alteration of any area of outdoor storage, display and/or sales.”

66. Section 12.9(C)(3) – ILP Exemptions: is deleted in its entirety and replaced with “cosmetic changes to any structure.”

67. Section 12.9(D) – ILP Application Requirements: is revised to read “All applications for ILPs which require a Zoning Compliance Certificate, as described by Section 12.9(B)(1) of this Ordinance, shall be accompanied by the material listed below. All other ILPs shall comply with the requirements of the Chief Code Enforcement Officer:”

68. Section 12.9(D)(2)(u) – Floodplain Building Site Spot Elevations: is revised to read “any flood hazard areas and information, including the finished floor elevation, base flood elevation, flood protection grade, and spot elevations at 10 feet from the foundation in each direction for all structures.”

69. Section 12.9(D)(6) – Design Professional Seal and Survey Verification: the current text of this subsection is deleted and replaced with “Design Professional Seal: The seal of the licensed design professional (land surveyor, civil engineer, architect, or landscape architect) that is primarily responsible for the contents of all drawings”. Also, a new Subsection 12.9(D)(7) is added stating “Property Boundaries (if applicable): A drawing, statement, or other evidence sufficient to demonstrate that the location of property lines,

easements, etc. (used as the basis of all plan drawings) has been completed by a land surveyor licensed in the State of Indiana. This evidence is only required for property that has not been previously platted in its current configuration.”

70. Chapter 12.10 – Sign Permits: the second sentence of the opening text is deleted and replaced with the following: “Sign permit application procedures shall be as established by the Chief Code Enforcement Officer, and shall include ZCC approval as described below.” Also, Section 12.10(A)(1) is revised to read as follows: “Any sign regulated by this Ordinance shall be approved as part of a ZCC prior to a sign permit being issued. ZCC approval for signs may be applied for (a) separately for each individual sign, (b) as a combined sign package for a property, or (c) as part of any related ZCC application (such as a site plan or change of use approval). Application for a ZCC shall be accompanied by any information the Planning Director deems is necessary to assure compliance with this Ordinance, including but not limited to:” Further, subsection 12.10(A)(2) is deleted and subsection 12.10(A)(3) is re-numbered as appropriate.
71. Chapter 13.1 – Enforcement General Provisions: a new Section 13.1(F) is added as follows:

“Accumulated Violations & Fines: The resolution of unresolved violations and any unpaid fines resulting from previous violations may be a consideration during the review of any applications under this Ordinance for the same property. The Planning Director, Chief Code Enforcement Officer, Plan Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, and/or legislative body may withhold the issuance of any subsequent approvals for the property until any unresolved violations are remedied and/or accumulated fines paid.”

72. Section 13.4(D)(4)(b) – Determination of Fines: is amended to read “In all instances where a legal remedy is sought the dollar amount to be paid...”
73. Section 14.2 – Agri-tourism Facility Definition: is amended for the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence to read “An agri-tourism facility shall involve primarily those events and activities that directly relate to the on-site agricultural operations.”

## **SECTION 2: Repealer**

All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with this Ordinance shall be repealed to the extent of such conflict.

## **SECTION 3: Severability**

If any provision, or the application of any provision, of this Ordinance is held unconstitutional or invalid the remainder of the Ordinance, or the application of such provision to other circumstances, shall be unaffected.

## **SECTION 4: Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall be effective upon adoption and any publication required by Indiana law.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA ON FIRST READING THIS 25<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2011.**

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S/s Carl Lienhoop  
Carl Lienhoop

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S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz  
Larry S. Kleinhenz

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S/s Paul Franke  
Paul Franke

**ATTEST:**

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S/s Barbara J. Hackman  
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor  
Bartholomew County, Indiana

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA ON SECOND READING THIS 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2011.**

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S/s Carl Lienhoop  
Carl Lienhoop

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S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz  
Larry S. Kleinhenz

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S/s Paul Franke  
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**ATTEST:**

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S/s Barbara J. Hackman  
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor  
Bartholomew County, Indiana

**AGAIN PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL REVISIONS BY THE PLAN COMMISSION (THROUGH PLAN COMMISSION GENERAL RESOLUTION 2011-03) ON FIRST READING THIS 29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2011.**

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S/s Carl Lienhoop  
Carl Lienhoop

S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz  
Larry S. Kleinhenz

S/s Paul Franke  
Paul Franke

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S/s Barbara J. Hackman  
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S/s Carl Lienhoop  
Carl Lienhoop

S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz  
Larry S. Kleinhenz

ABSENT  
Paul Franke

**ATTEST:**

S/s Barbara J. Hackman  
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor  
Bartholomew County, Indiana

Chairman Lienhoop opened the Commissioner's Meeting to a public hearing. Hearing no comments, Chairman Lienhoop closed the public hearing portion of the meeting. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of this Ordinance Amending the Columbus and Bartholomew County Zoning Ordinance for Jurisdiction in Bartholomew County. Chairman Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.



Next, Chairman Lienhoop mentioned that the Commissioners opened three (3) bids at their August 29, 2011 Commissioner's meeting for repairs to the sidewalks at the Courthouse. The lowest bidder was Repp and Mundt, Inc. of Columbus, Indiana with a total bid of \$124,056 (base bid of \$100,565 plus the Alternative #1 of \$23,491). This bid was reviewed and approved by Architect Charles Budd. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to award this bid to Repp and Mundt, Inc. for repairs to the sidewalks at the Courthouse in the amount of \$124,056. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Bartholomew County resident Gary Chambers came before the Commissioners to ask for help with a noisy neighbor on 600 South who is learning to be a pyrotechnic. Mr. Chamber's neighbor is shooting off elaborate fireworks and cannons in his five (5) acre field next to Mr. Chamber's property. Mr. Chambers would like the Commissioners to create an ordinance to help eliminate this noise after a certain time of night so he can relax in his own home. Mr. Chambers presented his complaint for the first time at the Commissioners' meeting on August 8, 2011.

Mr. Chambers mentioned this issue to the Planning Director Jeff Bergmann. Mr. Bergmann said that because Mr. Chambers runs a small business out of his home, this noise might be a violation of his home business. The Commissioners said they did not feel comfortable creating an ordinance for this specific and unique situation, but would like Mr. Bergmann to check into whether this is a violation of Mr. Chamber's home business or not. Mr. Bergmann said he would check into this and get back to the

Commissioners with his findings. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker agreed that having Mr. Bergmann do research for a home business noise violation would be better than creating an ordinance for this specific situation because there could be unintended consequences with others wanting specific ordinances for their situations as well.

Finally, Bartholomew County resident Mike Lovelace asked the Commissioners why the old water rescue boat of the Sheriff's Department was sitting on the lot at Mike Mensendieks to be auctioned off. Mr. Lovelace thought that American Airboats was going to sell this boat for the Sheriff's Department if they purchased a new rescue boat from them. Chairman Lienhoop said that was true, but American Airboats did not find a buyer for that boat, so the Commissioners gave the Sheriff's Department permission to sell this boat at Mr. Mensendiek's auction. Mr. Lovelace said he thought this was wrong and left the meeting to take a phone call.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lienhoop at 10:49 am. The next Commissioner's meeting will be held on Monday, September 12, 2011 at 10:00 am in the Commissioner's Chambers.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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CARL H. LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

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ABSENT  
PAUL FRANKE, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

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BARBARA J. HACKMAN, AUDITOR