

**COMMISSIONER'S MEETING**  
**January 18, 2011**

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on January 18, 2011 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Lienhoop called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Commissioner Larry Kleinhenz, Commissioner Paul Franke, Auditor Barbara J. Hackman, and County Attorney J. Grant Tucker were also in attendance. Commissioner Larry Kleinhenz gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Next, the minutes of the January 10, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Commissioner Kleinhenz and seconded by Commissioner Franke.

The Voucher Claims were presented for approval. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the Voucher Claims. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permits Report from 1/10/2011 to 1/14/2011. Ten building permits were issued with a fee amount of \$1,173.00 and a valuation amount of \$656,330.00.

County Highway Engineer Danny Hollander presented the Weekly Crew Report to the Commissioners. Last week, the Highway Crew cut trees on 950 South, patched roads, made salt brine, sprayed salt brine on roads, put up signs, picked up trash, plowed and sanded roads using 1,500 tons of materials and placed 10 tons of salt in the parking lots.

The next item on the agenda is the decision on the purchase of a 2011 ¾ Ton 4WD Pick-up Truck for the Surveyor's Office. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the low bid received from Country Chevrolet Buick of North Vernon, Indiana in the amount of \$18,499.00 which includes both a full tank of gas, as well as a trade-in value of \$5,000.00 for the old truck ( $\$23,499 - \$5,000 = \$18,499$ ) as long as this truck meets the specifications set forth by the Surveyor's Office. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda is the decision for Drywall Repair at the Jail. Bartholomew County Jail Project Manager and Architect Charlie Budd verified that the bid received from Repp and Mundt, Inc. was a valid bid because it was so much lower in price than the other bids received. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the low bid received from Repp and Mundt, Inc. of Columbus, Indiana in the amount of \$19,569.00 for the Drywall repair at the Jail. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, the Director of the Work Release Center Rob Gaskill and Director of Court Services Brad Barnes presented the Commissioners with a Consideration of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 in new money. On a daily basis, the Bartholomew County Jail population consists of approximately 20% incarcerated females. A large number of those females have drug abuse issues. The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Grant will be used to provide additional services in the residential area of Community Corrections for those female offenders. Right now, the

female offenders that have drug abuse issues must leave the Community Corrections facility to receive clinical treatment. This grant will allow Community Corrections to partnership with Centerstone, a not-for-profit community-based behavioral healthcare provider in Columbus, Indiana. Centerstone will hire clinical staff to perform in-house clinical treatment for the incarcerated females with drug abuse issues.

Community Corrections will receive \$150,000.00 in new money with a \$50,000.00 match for a case manager position that has already been funded and dedicated for this program by Court Services. Court Services had 14 Residential Officer positions approved by the County Council, but only 12 of those Residential Officer positions were filled. This grant will provide money for Community Corrections to hire a new Residential Officer that would work directly with the female offenders and keep track of their treatments and progress without using any budget money.

Attorney Tucker asked the Commissioners to table approving this grant agreement until next Monday's Commissioner's meeting, so he would have time to read over this agreement since he just received this information right before today's meeting. Commissioner Franke made a motion to table approving the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Grant until the Monday, January 25, 2011 Commissioner's Meeting. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Consideration of the 2011 Microvote Election Management System Software License Agreement in the amount of \$9,500.00. This agreement will provide the Clerk's Office with unlimited election software

upgrades, as well as 24 hour technical support for software issues. Chairman Lienhoop made a motion to approve the one year Microvote Software License Agreement in the amount of \$9,500.00. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Jeff Bergman, Director of the Planning Department, presented the Commissioners with a Consideration of proposals from two Appraisers' and one Title Company to provide professional services for the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) buyout. Director Bergman explained that the County is ready to take the next step in the process of the FEMA buyout by entering into contracts with two appraisal companies and one title company to handle the appraisals and closings on four homes on 325 West that were damaged in the June 2008 flood. Although four homes on 325 West were included in the application process, Director Bergman knows that three of those homes will definitely be involved in this FEMA buyout, whereas the fourth home is still in question at this time.

The two lowest quotes received from the Appraisers were from Don R. Scheidt & Co., Inc. of Columbus, Indiana in the amount of \$300.00 per home, and Jan Nugent, SRA of The Nugent Company of Columbus, Indiana in the amount of \$360.00 per home. The lowest quote received from a Title Company for the closing costs was from Smart & Johnson Title Corporation of Columbus, Indiana (see agreement in Auditor's Office for a list of closing fees). Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve entering into agreements with the two lowest appraisers (Don R. Scheidt Co., Inc. and Jan Nugent,

SRA), as well as Smart & Johnson Title Corporation for closing costs for the four properties on 325 West in the FEMA buyout. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Tobacco Awareness Action Team Member Peggy Voelz and Bartholomew County Cessation System Coordinator Caroline Martinez presented the Commissioners with an Update of the Toll of Tobacco on Indiana along with the progress made in Bartholomew County. Ms. Voelz said that the Tobacco Awareness Action Team is promoting a Campaign for Smoke-free Air to advocate that all workplaces, including restaurants, bars, and casinos, to become 100% smoke-free workplaces. House Bill 1018 is currently being considered in this session of the General Assembly that would make all workplaces 100% smoke-free. Ms. Voelz also presented a slideshow with statistics and facts about Tobacco use, its effects, the economic impact in Indiana and Bartholomew County. For more information on the Campaign for Smoke-free Air, please contact Peggy Voelz at 812-375-3194 or at [pvoelz@crh.org](mailto:pvoelz@crh.org).

Next, Prosecutor's Office Manager Brenda Mijares presented the Commissioners with a Consideration of Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification. This agreement and certification allows the Federal Government to how much money the Prosecutor's Office received in 2010 from defendants that were arrested, as well as how much of that money was spent. The Prosecutor's Office received \$9,569.99 in 2010 and spent \$9,556.50 on chairs and laptops. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the

Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Major Todd Noblitt from the Sheriff's Department presented the Commissioners with a proposal to purchase one 4WD 2008 GMC Envoy vehicle with 39,161 miles for the Sheriff's Department. Three comparable bids were received, but the lowest bidder that had a vehicle that met the specifications of the Sheriff's Department was Gates Automotive Group of Martinsville, Indiana in the amount of \$23,990.00. The Sheriff's Department budgeted for such a vehicle in their 2011 budget. This 4WD vehicle will replace a 2001 4WD Ford Explorer that has mechanical issues. The new 4WD Envoy will be used around the clock during inclement weather, as well as to tow equipment for the swift water rescue team. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2008 4WD GMC Envoy from Gates Automotive Group for \$23,990.00. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to appoint Major Todd Noblitt of the Sheriff's Department to the Computer and Data Processing Board. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Commissioner Franke made a motion to appoint Mary Rigsby to the Property Tax Adjustment Board of Appeals for one year. Ms. Rigsby contacted the Commissioners to express interest in serving as a member. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lienhoop at 11:00 am. The next Commissioner's meeting will be on Monday, January 24, 2011 at 10:00 am in the Commissioner's Chambers.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS

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CARL LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

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PAUL FRANKE, MEMBER

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LARRY KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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BARBARA J. HACKMAN, AUDITOR