

**COMMISSIONER'S MEETING**  
**August 27, 2012**

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on August 27, 2012 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Larry Kleinhenz called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners Carl Lienhoop and Paul Franke, County Auditor Barbara Hackman and County Attorney J. Grant Tucker were also in attendance. County Assessor Lew Wilson gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Next, Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the August 20, 2012 minutes. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The Commissioners' Claims were presented for approval. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the Commissioners' Claims as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Chairman Kleinhenz read the New Permits Report from 8/20/2012 to 8/24/2012. Thirty-two (32) building permits were issued with a fee amount of \$3,623.00 and a valuation amount of \$1,501,146.

County Highway Engineer Danny Hollander presented a Notice to Bidders for Bridge No. 211 on 725 W. Bids will be received on September 17, 2012 in the Commissioners' Office until 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the Notice to Bidders for Bridge No. 211. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Engineer Hollander presented an agreement with INDOT allowing them to use the County's portion of 450 S. from 50 W. to SR. 11 as part of their official detour for when they close SR. 46. The official detour will be SR. 11 to 450 S. to I65. INDOT will repair any damage that is caused during the closure. Commissioner Franke made a motion to sign the agreement with INDOT. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Eric Brunn, with Strand & Associates, presented a title sheet for Bridge No. 206 on Seymour Rd. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to sign the title sheet for Bridge No. 206. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Engineer Hollander gave the weekly crew report. Last week, they mowed in German, Flatrock, Hawcreek, Jackson and Sandcreek Townships, worked on signs, working on 300 S, ditched a driveway on 1150 E., ditched on 725 W., replaced a pipe on 400 S., patched roads, hauled dirt and milled on 450 E. and 500 W.

The next item on the agenda was the consideration of a Joint Funding Agreement between Bartholomew County and U.S. Geological Survey United States Department of the Interior-Hawcreek Stream Gauges. Emergency Management Director Dennis Moats explained that this is the beginnings of an annual agreement between the County and the U.S. Geological Survey for the two new stream gauges on Hawcreek. The gauges are located at 750 N. in Hope and 450 N. The idea is to give early warning to the City when the stream quickly rises. They bill in arrears, so that is why the contract reads October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012. The U.S. Geological Survey is paying \$11,700 toward this

project. The County's share is \$14,300. There is currently \$7,150 in the EMA (Emergency Management Agency) budget. In previous years, the U.S. Geological Survey sent the County and the City an invoice, but due to federal efficiency, they just want to send one invoice. Columbus Regional Hospital has stated that they will pay the other \$7,150. Chairman Kleinhenz asked why Columbus Regional Hospital was involved and Mr. Moats stated that they paid for the stream gauges upfront out of their FEMA grant money when they initially went in. Chairman Kleinhenz asked if the County has reimbursed Columbus Regional and Mr. Moats said that we did not reimburse them, but CRH had not been sharing in the annual cost. He explained that next year, he hopes that this will be a three-way interlocal agreement between the City, County and CRH. Mr. Moats added that he was told informally that once the \$11,700 is out of the budget for the Indianapolis office, it will probably never be allowed to be put back in in the future. Commissioner Franke made a motion to sign the Joint Funding Agreement between Bartholomew County and U.S. Geological Survey United States Department of the Interior-Hawcreek Stream Gauges. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Clerk Tami Hines and Debbie Wilson, with Voter Registration were present for a proposal for supply bags for the poll workers. These are padded on wheels with an extended handle that can hold the supplies for the poll workers without damaging the supplies. Ms. Hines explained with the new supply bags, the printers for the machines can be carried as opposed to the old bags that are currently used. She explained

that originally, these bags were \$169.00 each, but now she can get them for \$90.00 each for a total of \$3,600 from American Made Election Equipment. Commissioner Franke asked Ms. Hines if she had storage space for these bags since they are much larger than the old ones and Ms. Hines said that she did. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to accept the proposal from American Made Election Equipment in the amount of \$3,600 for forty (40) supply bags on wheels. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed with two (2) aye votes and one (1) nay vote registered by Commissioner Franke.

Chairman Kleinhenz presented the Clerk's Monthly Report for the month of July 2012. Chairman Kleinhenz made a motion to accept the Clerk's Monthly Report for the month of July 2012. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Commissioner Franke read the Animal Control Report for the month of July 2012. Sixty animals were picked up, 7 violations, 3 fines, 5 bite cases, 5 animals reclaimed and 3,691 miles logged. Commissioner Franke made a motion to accept the Animal Control Monthly Report for the month of July 2012. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Heather Siesel, with the Recycling Center, presented the Volume Report for the months of June and July 2012. Cardboard recycling was very high for commercial, residential and satellite. They worked with the MS4 group in June and July at the fair booth, had the rain barrel giveaway and did the kid's reuse activity as well as promoting recycling. In July, they had a recycling display at the library and went to two senior project fairs for

both of the high schools. They had two Recycling Center tours, two events that they loaned out their recycling containers for, had a Health Safety & Environmental Fair Day at Cummins, did two public events and loaned out the Adopt-a-Road kids 3 or 4 times throughout the month. Upcoming in September and October, they are going to be participating in the SWCD's outdoor lab, Hope Heritage Days, Touch a Truck, Ethnic Expo and School Tours and Programs.

Chairman Kleinhenz announced that all County offices will be closed Monday, September 3, 2012 in observance of Labor Day.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Kleinhenz at 10:45 a.m. The next Commissioners' meeting will be on Tuesday, September 4th, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS

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LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, CHAIRMAN

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PAUL FRANKE, MEMBER

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CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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BARBARA J. HACKMAN, AUDITOR