

**AMENDED COMMISSIONER'S MEETING**  
**March 26, 2012**

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on March 26, 2012 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Larry Kleinhenz called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Commissioner Carl Lienhoop, Commissioner Paul Franke, Auditor Barbara J. Hackman, and County Attorney J. Grant Tucker were also in attendance. Commissioner Lienhoop gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Next, the minutes of the March 12, 2012 and March 15, 2012 meetings were approved unanimously on a motion by Commissioner Lienhoop and seconded by Commissioner Franke.

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

Next, Chairman Kleinhenz read the New Permits Report from 3/12/2012 to 3/16/2012. Thirty-nine (39) building permits were issued with a fee amount of \$3,794.00 and a valuation amount of \$4,514,499.00. He also read the New Permits Report from 3/19/2012 to 3/23/2012. Thirty-seven (37) building permits were issued with a fee amount of \$4,721.00 and a valuation amount of \$2,581,280.00.

County Highway Engineer Danny Hollander presented the Commissioners with a letter to sign that is addressed to Bartholomew County Surveyor E.R. Gray III for his

assistance in preparing right-of-way legal descriptions for Bridge #211 near Waymansville on 725 West. Commissioner Franke made a motion to sign this letter. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion. Chairman Kleinhenz asked how much money this will save the County. Engineer Hollander said it will save the County about \$5,000.00. Surveyor Gray does this for every bridge except for those properties that cross into other counties. Chairman Kleinhenz asked for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Next, Engineer Hollander presented the Commissioners with the Weekly Crew Report. Last week the Highway Crew patched roads, cut trees on 250 South and 450 South, ground stumps on 930 South, 265 North, 250 South, and 500 West, put up signs, fixed tile along 400 South, cut down a bank and ditched along 400 South, put in driveway pipes and ditched along 750 East, picked up trash, and took the sandboxes out of the trucks. Engineer Hollander said that the County sent a few members from the Highway Crew to Henryville in southeast Indiana to help clean up from the recent tornadoes for a total of eight (8) days. Finally, Commissioner Franke said that the seams on the west side approach to the Azalia Bridge need to be ground down and patched. Engineer Hollander said he would look at this area.

Next, IT Director Jim Hartsook presented the following items for ratification:

<b>Department:</b>	<b>Item Purchased:</b>	<b>Cost:</b>	<b>Account Number:</b>
Circuit Court	Microphone replacements (3)	\$ 1,125.00	04-43
Sheriff	10 Laptop replacements	\$ 18,109.30	04-43

Director Hartsook mentioned that the three (3) microphone replacements were not budgeted and came out of repairs and replacements. Commissioner Franke made a motion to ratify the two (2) items approved at the Data Board meeting this morning. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, Director Hartsook said the Data Board also approved a Work Release hardware and software proposal for the public safety software, OSSI, to be installed on the Work Release Home Detention mobile computer. This request was for a not to exceed amount of \$4,000.00 that will be paid out of the Work Release budget.

The Data Board also approved a three (3) year Hewlett-Packard network monitoring software proposal in the amount of \$10,482.90 and upgrading two (2) Data Domain devices for a total of \$44,605.24. Finally, a Tintri Storage Area Network (SAN) device was approved for \$55,550.00 that includes three (3) years of support. All of these items were budgeted. However, the Tintri SAN was budgeted in 2011. Some of the 2011 money was encumbered and will be added to the recent insurance reimbursement from the lightning damage that occurred at the Courthouse in August of 2011 to pay for the new Tintri SAN. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve these items. Commissioner Franke seconded this motion that passed unanimously.

Chairman Kleinhenz mentioned that the Data Board consists of nine (9) members, and he appreciates the people that serve on this board because the Commissioners receive their expertise for the constantly evolving technology. Also, there is one (1) opening in the IT Department that Director Hartsook is actively trying to fill.

Chairman Kleinhenz also took a moment to recognize the following people in the audience and welcomed them to the meeting: Sheriff Mark Gorbett, County Council member Jorge Morales, and Commissioner Candidates Tim Dillingham, Rick Flohr, and Marcus Speer.

Next, Assistant Director of Nursing Carla Wolff presented the Commissioners with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of an Ordinance Amending a Portion of Ordinance 2007-2 and 2010-3 Pertaining to the Establishment and Collection by the Bartholomew County Health Department of Fees for Specific Services and Records. Chairman Kleinhenz mentioned that the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of this Ordinance was approved at the Commissioners' meeting on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Wolff explained federal funding cuts were made to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) which reduced State funding, as well as the funding available for counties, so Bartholomew County cannot provide certain services anymore without charging the minimum cost of the a few tests and a \$10.00 administration fee per immunization. The Ordinance is as follows.

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A PORTION OF ORDINANCE 2007-2 AND  
2010-3 PERTAINING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND COLLECTION BY THE  
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF FEES FOR  
SPECIFIC SERVICES AND RECORDS**

**WHEREAS**, the Bartholomew County Commissioners did, by Ordinance 1992-07, establish a schedule of fees for certain services performed by and records obtained from the Bartholomew County Health Department; and

**WHEREAS**, certain fees established by Ordinance 1992-07 were changed by Ordinances 2007-2 and 2010-3; and

**WHEREAS**, at the request of the Health Department, the Bartholomew County Commissioners believe it to be appropriate to amend a portion of Ordinances 2007-2 and 2010-3 to change Section 1, Subsection K dealing with the fees charged for injections and Section 1 Subsection L pertaining to fees charged for screenings.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1, SUBSECTION K of ORDINANCE 2007-2 pertaining to the fees charged for Birth Certificates, is hereby amended, revised and changed to read as follows:

**K. INJECTIONS/ORAL/MIST VACCINES:**

All Pediatric vaccines: Children Who do not meet State criteria for Vaccine for Children (VFC) or the 317 Program	At Cost
Administration Fee (Insured Children)	\$10.00 per Immunization
All Adult Vaccines	At Cost
Administration Fee (Adults)	\$10.00 per Immunization

SECTION I SUBSECTION L of Ordinance 2007-2 and Ordinance 2010-3 pertaining to fees charged for screenings are hereby amended, revised and changed to read as follows:

**L. SCREENINGS**

TB Skin Tests (Administer and Read)	At Cost
TB Skin Test Reading Only (For Tests Administered Elsewhere)	At Cost
Blood Work	At Cost
Head Lice Treatment	At Cost
Chlamydia Testing	At Cost
Gonorrhea Testing	At Cost
Administration Fee	Maximum of \$5.00

The remainder of Ordinance 2007-2 and Ordinance 2010-3 shall remain unchanged.

**PASSED ON FIRST READING THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2012.**

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

S/s Larry S. Kleinhenz  
Larry S. Kleinhenz, Chairman

S/s Paul Franke  
Paul Franke, Member

S/s Carl H. Lienhoop  
Carl H. Lienhoop, Member

**ATTEST:**

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

**PASSED ON SECOND READING THIS 26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2012.**

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BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA**

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Bartholomew County, Indiana

Chairman Kleinhenz opened a Public Hearing. Hearing no comments, Chairman Kleinhenz closed the Public Hearing. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of this Ordinance amending a portion of Ordinance 2007-2 and 2010-3 pertaining to the Establishment and Collection by the Bartholomew County Health Department of Fees for Specific Services and Records. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The Ratification for an Emergency Purchase for the Courthouse was removed from the agenda because this purchase was not made.

Next, Commissioner Franke presented the Commissioners with the February 2012 Monthly Animal Control Report. In February 2012, Animal Control took thirty-eight (38) dogs and seventeen (17) cats to the Humane Society, had eighty-three (83) audits, nine (9) violations, five (5) fines, thirteen (13) door hangers, had two (2) animals reclaimed, loaned out four (4) traps to the public, and had a total of one hundred fourteen (114) cases. Van #1 was driven 2,292 miles, and Van #2 was driven 1,591 miles. Commissioner Franke made a motion to approve the Animal Control Monthly Report for February 2012. Chairman Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Chairman Kleinhenz said that the Animal Control Department Head Mark Case and the two (2) part-time employees, Maurice Shireman and Paul East, do a great job for Bartholomew County. Auditor Hackman said that Animal Control has always been very prompt and helpful.

Next, Prosecutor's Office Manager Brenda Mijares presented the Commissioners with the Consideration of the Stop Grant for \$45,368.96.00 from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. This amount includes an In-Kind Match of \$14,293.56. The entire amount of the STOP Grant will be used to pay for a Spanish Investigator/Translator Rachel Morris-Clark. Ms. Morris-Clark goes out into the community to help Latino victims, translates for the Sheriff's Department, the City Police Department, and in the courtroom for the County Prosecutor. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to accept the Consideration of the Stop Grant. Commissioner Franke seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Sheriff Mark Gorbett was asked by Chairman Kleinhenz about the terrible tragedy that occurred in Florida over the Stand Aground Law. Chairman Kleinhenz asked if there were any safety patrols here in Bartholomew County. Sheriff Gorbett said that the Sheriff's Department goes out to neighborhood watch programs to explain what to watch for, when to call the law, etc.

Sheriff Gorbett also mentioned that a K-9 unit has been purchased with drug seizure money, and K-9 handler Jessica Pendleton is in training now, so the K-9 unit will be in place in mid-April. Commissioner Lienhoop mentioned that there was a request from the Sheriff's Department asking if County employees could be used to build a kennel for the County K-9 dog. However, the Commissioners declined this request because the kennel was going to be built at a private residence, so they felt like this was not an appropriate use of County time and materials. Commissioner Franke said that if



the handler were to move, then the County would have to build a new kennel somewhere else, so the request was denied.

Next, Chairman Kleinhenz mentioned that tuck-pointing was successfully completed at the Jail to curtail the water leak near the elevator shaft. Repairing the water damage sustained to the interior walls is the last phase of this Jail project.

Next, Bartholomew County resident Gary Chambers came in to talk with the Commissioners today. To give a brief history, Mr. Chambers has come to previous Commissioners' meetings to discuss the fireworks, mortars, and other explosives that are being set off by his neighbor's son, Mr. Michael Lykins. These explosions are startling to Mr. Chambers and his wife and are bothersome. Mr. Chambers has asked the Commissioners to create an ordinance or sign the ordinance that he had an attorney create that keep such explosions from occurring.

Mr. Chambers came before the Commissioners today to discuss a conversation he had with Chairman Kleinhenz in the foyer of the Government Office Building (GOB) a couple of weeks ago and to respond to a phone message from Friday about the firework issues. Mr. Chambers said that Chairman Kleinhenz has succumbed to his conflict of interest with a certain family and notified them that he would be at this meeting to talk with the Commissioners about this matter. Mr. Chambers said that he felt that he was setup today because Mr. Lykins has brought in Mr. Chamber's brother-in-law who does not like him. Mr. Chambers said that he is not going to set himself up to get into a

confrontational argument with his brother-in-law, Mr. Michael Lykins, and with Mr. Lykin's parents, who used to be his friends.

Mr. Chambers said that after the Commissioners' meeting on Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, he and Chairman Kleinhenz had a conversation in the foyer of the GOB Building. Mr. Chambers said that during the conversation that Chairman Kleinhenz said with an emphatic voice that, "He [Mr. Michael Lykins] is going to get an ordinance." Chairman Kleinhenz then asked Mr. Chambers if "he [Mr. Michael Lykins] has something planned for this weekend." Mr. Chambers said he did not know, but would call Chairman Kleinhenz if he wanted him too. At the end of the conversation, Mr. Chambers asked Chairman Kleinhenz, "Are you going to do something to fix this?" Chairman Kleinhenz said, "If this kind of behavior continues, then he [Mr. Michael Lykins] is going to have an ordinance."

Chairman Kleinhenz asked if anyone else would like to speak about the fireworks issue. Chairman Kleinhenz asked that each person state their name for the minutes if they were going to speak. Mr. Mark Goddard, owner of Mark and Jessie's Fireworks Shack of 3513 Hollowell Street in Columbus, Indiana, approached the Commissioners. Mr. Goddard said that Columbus, Indiana is made up of several diverse communities of many different cultures, including, but not limited to: Chinese, Indians, Japanese, Koreans, etc. Several of these cultures celebrate many if not all of their traditions with fireworks. Likewise, Americans celebrate birthdays, funerals, family get-togethers, wedding, memorials, Christmas, New Year's, Fourth of July, etc. year-around with

fireworks. Mr. Goddard said it is important to understand the impact of enacting additional restrictions on firework laws and noise ordinances in Columbus and Bartholomew County. By enacting more restrictions on fireworks and dictating when, what time, and how long that fireworks can be set off, impacts many cultures freedom to celebrate their traditions and holidays. Mr. Goddard said, “It is important to remember that we are still in America which is the land of the free and the home of the brave.” Commissioner Franke said that the Chinese invented fireworks, and the Chinese New Year is in February.

Chairman Kleinhenz said where do you separate common courtesy and someone’s right to shoot off fireworks? Mr. Goddard said that it becomes an issue of if we Americans can celebrate our 4<sup>th</sup> of July or New Year’s Eve with fireworks, but it is not okay for other cultures to celebrate their holidays with fireworks. Mr. Goddard said we need to be good hosts to the people from other countries.

Next, Indiana Department of Homeland Security Fire and Building Safety Code Inspector Walt Knaepple came before the Commissioners to mention that fireworks in Indiana are regulated by the State Fire Marshall’s Office to some degree. Indiana State statute dictates how fireworks can be used in the State of Indiana, as well as what hours fireworks can be used, etc. The types of fireworks that are in discussion are 1.3 G and commonly referred to as big nuisance items. They are used for large public celebrations at Ceraland or after the Hospice Concert at Mill Race Park. Large, public, firework celebrations require a special permit from the State Fire Marshall’s Office and are

inspected by the local fire departments for safety. There is also an expiration date put on the permit and the hours in which it can be used. Because of this delicate and emotional situation, Mr. Knaepple suggests that the Commissioners look at the Indiana State statute. Chairman Kleinhenz asked if fireworks are an issue across the state. Mr. Knaepple said from time to time you will have situations like this. The northern part of Indiana uses fireworks more than the southern part of the State. For example, in the northern part of the State of Indiana they have clubs and demonstrations that gather amateurs and display people, as well as retailers to come in to market their wares. These gatherings will have prolonged week or long weekend shoots to demonstrate their hobby. To them this is used as a recreational hobby like golf is to some people.

Next, Mr. DeWayne Roepke of Dearborn County came before the Commissioners to say that he was over at the Lykin's property with other members of the Bluegrass Pyrotechnic Guild on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Roepke and Mr. Michael Lykins are both members of this Bluegrass Pyrotechnic Guild. Mr. Roepke said he has worked with fireworks since 1994 and has owned a fireworks business since 2005. Mr. Roepke goes around the State and does firework displays mainly around southeast Indiana and for the Indiana State Fair. Mr. Roepke purchased the fireworks that were used for personal use on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Lykin's property. On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mr. Roepke had a copy of the State permit which is the same as a copy the Fire Chief received, a copy of the appropriate insurance for this display, a copy of his ATF license, a notice of clearance from the ATF, and a letter of clearance for responsible persons from the ATF. There were forty (40) 1.3

professional fireworks that were set off on the Lykin's property. Everything at this firework display was done with the appropriate permits, insurance, and storage of the fireworks. The fireworks were not set off past 9:00 p.m. However, there were some shells launched during the day time for both noise and daylight affect.

County Attorney J. Grant Tucker asked Mr. Roepke what is required to get every time he has a fireworks display like the one on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Roepke said that because he is a licensed firework holder for the ATF, he can set off and test fireworks on his property at any time. He also needs to post a \$10,000 insurance bond, but he has a \$1,000,000 insurance bond. He also has to have the local fire department sign off on a permit for a show like the one on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Roepke said that one reason the Bluegrass Pyrotechnic Guild met on the Lykin's property was to train the local fire department on what to do before something happens. This training did not occur because the fire department could not be there other than for three (3) Fire Department members for a safety precaution.

Attorney Tucker asked what the difference was between testing fireworks and a fireworks display. Mr. Roepke said that if he wants to shoot up three (3) to four (4) shells to test the affect, then he can, but this particular night on March 3<sup>rd</sup> would be considered a fireworks display or show. Attorney Tucker said he is interested in the number of fireworks set off for testing versus a display. Mr. Roepke said there is no particular numbers. Mr. Goddard added that 1.4 consumer fireworks can be set off year around as

long as they are shot on your property or you have permission to set them off on that property up to 10:00 p.m. or 11:00 p.m.

Mr. Roepke said he was addressing the professional fireworks (1.3 G fireworks) used. However, there was a display of Class C 1.4 fireworks that was set off to demonstrate defusing these fireworks. Part of the purpose of the Guild is to help teach safe and sane use of fireworks and how to handle them.

Mr. Chambers commented to Mr. Roepke that, “he is aware that these fireworks can be set off anytime, but the State gave local entities of government (either City or County) the right to limit this beyond 365 days a year, seven (7) days a week until 11:00. The reason why they gave you these options is because they knew you would need them, and in this case you need to do something.”

Next, Gary Chamber’s brother-in-law, Tom Hall, approached the Commissioners. Mr. Hall said this issue is apparently over noise, but he lives as close to this as Mr. Chambers does and the noise does not bother them [Mr. Hall and his wife], and both Mr. and Mrs. Hall sit in their side yard and watch the display. Mr. Hall has not heard anyone in the neighborhood complain about the firework issue. Mr. Hall said, “He has lived in the country for fifty-one (51) years and put up with squirrel hunter, rabbit hunter, deer hunter, tractors, and combines going by his bedroom window at 2:00 a.m. in the morning, but this is part of living in the country.” Mr. Hall said, “This is the most childish thing I ever saw in my life.”

Next, Mr. Michael Lykins approached the Commissioners. Mr. Lykins said he is the center around all of this today, and he is amazed that he is back in here today for the same issue. Mr. Lykin's said, "Some people may not want to speak today when other times they have taken up a huge amount of time of the Commissioners and staff." Chairman Kleinhenz said that is fine because anyone is welcome to come in and speak. At the end of the agenda the Commissioners always allow public comment. Mr. Lykins said, "When anyone comes in to the Commissioners' meeting and complains and gives their opinion, whether it is truthful or not, to try and persuade the Commissioners that there needs to be a change in county government, but it is interesting when both parties are present in the Commissioners Chambers what exactly is said because there is a small ability to debate and/or answers about the complaint. The noise problem on 600 South that is 365 days a year is pushing it a little."

On March 3<sup>rd</sup> there was a club meeting called a "Meet" on Mr. Lykin's father's property with his father's permission that followed both federal and state laws to be able to do what the club members love to do. The club members train together on firework safety and to learn how to please the audience at larger shows. Mr. Lykin's said that he uses 1.4 commercial fireworks from time to time and fuses them as he would if he were doing a large display. The size of the firework does not matter as much as how you fuse them. Mr. Lykin's said that his neighbor has a very personal issue with the noise. However, there is a lot more noise coming from 600 South and the surrounding area than from the fireworks.

Mr. Lykin's said, "On Saturday night, for about 8.5 minutes, I celebrated my daughter's birthday. She had some friends over, and we had a fire in the backyard, and she wanted some fireworks. I wasn't going to set them off due to the issue here, but at this point and time I am not going to let my neighbor that wants to come in here and take up all the time in the Commissioners' Office, with a personal issue, dictate what I do at my house, so we celebrated with small fireworks for approximately eight (8) minutes, and I personally don't see a thing wrong with that." There were fireworks going off on 650 South on Friday night by other people. Mr. Lykin's added that, "The issue here is not fireworks and noise at Mr. Chamber's house. The issue here is personal." Mr. Lykin's commended the Commissioners for their experience for taking their time in this matter rather than making a quick decision in the beginning. Mr. Lykins said, "He trusts, and so does the rest of the residents of this County that have elected you Commissioners to the seat you are, that with the experience and maturity that you have you will see through this issue and you will make the best move for the County" and not for an individual(s). Mr. Lykin's summed up that, "The decisions need to be beneficial for the County; not for one or two people that have personal issues with a neighbor who uses county government for their personal gain."

Mr. Chambers said he had nothing against Michael Lykins and has known his family all of his life. In fact, Mr. Chamber's offered Michael Lykin's a job to fix his house, but had to hire someone else because Mr. Lykin's went on vacation and did not



tell Mr. Chambers that. Mr. Chambers said, “The only issues that he has with Michael Lykins is this racket going on whenever he feels like doing it.”

Last Labor Day Mr. Chambers watched Mr. Lykins intentionally bring a homemade device that he built as close to Mr. Chamber’s workshop as he could while remaining on his property. The Sheriff’s Department called this device a mortar. Mr. Lykins was trying to maximize the impact of this device, but the device did not explode, so Mr. Lykins left the device sit there while he sat up his other fireworks. Mr. Chambers said, “This makes it a little bit personal when you try to start intentionally harassing and irritating people with your racket.”

Chairman Kleinhenz said that ordinances are, in most cases, initiated by complaints by citizens whether it is a noise ordinance, fireworks ordinance, etc. As a County you want as few laws as possible, and you hope that people will use good judgment and common courtesy and live within the laws to give people a lot of privileges. However, when an issue like this continues to swell, then you see government react to create an ordinance to solve the specific problem. The Commissioners hoped this issue would go away. All three Commissioners have talked with one or both parties. Chairman Kleinhenz said that the County could end up with a fireworks ordinance.

Chairman Kleinhenz asked Sheriff Gorbett if there is a noise and/or fireworks ordinance if he would need more officers. Sheriff Gorbett said absolutely. Sheriff Gorbett said he looks at everything County wide with forty (40) deputies. There are approximately 40,000 calls annually for service of which there were less than 200 calls

annually for noise which is less than one percent (1%) of their service calls. The squeaking wheel gets the grease, but it is more like having the Hatfield and McCoy's feuding.

County Attorney Tucker said there is a way to solve this without government intervention because the law allows filing a private nuisance action with the court. If you are having problems with a neighbor, then take them to court and if you can prove there is a nuisance, then the court has the ability to regulate it and prohibit it.

Mr. Michael Lykins said he is highly debating civil litigation for the illegal allegations reported to Homeland Security and the ATF. Mr. Lykins said if this is nothing but a noise nuisance problem, then why make repeated calls to Homeland Security and the ATF if this is nothing more than a Commissioner's issue. Mr. Gary Chambers said, "The Sheriff's Department deputies have responded to this issue several times and recommended that Mr. Chambers call and file a complaint with Homeland Security and the ATF."

Chairman Kleinhenz mentioned that both County Council member Jorge Morales and Mr. Gary Chambers asked to put this fireworks issue on the agenda for this meeting, but the Commissioners decided not to at this point. However, if this issue is not resolved and an ordinance is considered, then they will put it on the agenda and possibly have an evening Commissioners' meeting to accommodate people who work.

Mr. Gary Chambers said, "The fireworks that light up the sky is not the issue. It is the explosions. That is the issue. Whether it is fireworks or him setting off a

homemade device, it is the explosions. If you go to Ceraland to see a fireworks display, then you go to see one because you wanted to see one, but sitting in your house and not knowing when he is going to set one off is total crap.” Mr. Lykins said, “If we are talking about noise here rather than actual fireworks, then enact something like that and see what happens all over this county when someone shoots any kind of firearm.” Chairman Kleinhenz said the Commissioners will not create a noise ordinance because that would be a nightmare. Mr. Chambers said there is talk in politics today of getting government out of our lives. We need to deregulate and let everyone do the right thing. We all know what happened to the economy when we deregulated this and that. Mr. Chambers said, “Once in a while it takes government intervention to regulate a situation that is basically out of control.”

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Kleinhenz at 11:01 am. The next Commissioner’s meeting will be on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 10:00 am in the Commissioner’s 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