

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

November 16, 2015

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on November 16, 2015 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Larry Kleinhenz, Carl Lienhoop and Rick Flohr were present. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also in attendance.

Chairman Larry Kleinhenz called the meeting to order. Commissioner Flohr gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the November 9, 2015 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

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

The next item was weekly reports. Last week's New Permits Report was not available for review.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the County Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: replaced culvert pipes on 650S; mowed in Harrison Township; hauled stone to the County Highway's backlot in preparation for construction of salt building; worked on signs; cut trees from the storm; and replaced pipes on 675W. He also submitted the Monthly Crew Report for October 2015.

Next, Captain Dave Steinkoenig of the Sheriff's Department presented for consideration a **grant application to the Bartholomew County Substance Abuse Council** (BCSAC) for \$7,500 to purchase various equipment. This is the same grant that has been utilized by the department for over 12 years. Chairman Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the grant application. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Additionally, Capt. Steinkoenig asked for permission to use \$2,000 remaining from last year's BCSAC grant money to wrap one of the County's Sheriff's vehicles with the large "**DARE**" logos. BCSAC has given approval to use the money for this purpose. Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to permit the application of the "DARE" logos onto a County vehicle using repurposed leftover grant money. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, County Assessor Lew Wilson presented a renewal contract with **Quality Appraisal Services, Inc.** (Jodi Wright, Principal) for occasional professional and consultative services for *residential* properties under appeal. The contract term runs from 10/27/15 through 12/31/16. The rate runs \$65 per hour, not to exceed \$3,500 for the contract year. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to enter into the agreement with Quality Appraisal Services, Inc. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was the ratification of an emergency **expenditure for a heat controller** in the Weights and Measures Office. Maintenance Supervisor Rick Trimpe had previously spoken to the Commissioners and was asked to obtain several quotes before making the purchase. The heat controller was purchased from South Central Company for \$2,077.05. Chairman Kleinhenz motioned to ratify the expenditure. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Chairman Kleinhenz acknowledged the receipt of the **Treasurer's Monthly Report** for the month of October, 2015. Commissioner Flohr motioned to accept the report as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

County Treasurer Pia O'Connor also requested scheduling the **Financial Review Committee Meeting** for Monday, January 18, 2016, directly following the Commissioners' Meeting.

Under Miscellaneous was a request from the **German Township Trustee** to waive permit fees for renovations for the new trustee office. Commissioner Lienhoop

motioned to waive the permit fees. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, November 23, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

BARBARA J. HACKMAN

RICHARD A. FLOHR, MEMBER