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BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COUNCIL
February 13, 2018

Name:	Representing:	Title:	Present:
Matt Miller	At Large		Present
Bill Lentz	At Large		Present
Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence	At Large		Present
Chris Ogle	District 1		Not Present
Laura DeDomenic	District 2		Present
Mark Gorbett	District 3	President	Present
Jorge Morales	District 4		Present
Chris Monroe	- -	Attorney	Present
Barb Hackman	Auditor	Secretary	Present

The Bartholomew County Council met on January 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana.

President Mark Gorbett called the meeting to order, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Gorbett offered condolences to Community Corrections Director Brad Barnes on the loss of his mother.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of minutes. This was tabled.

The next item on the agenda was a Request for a Tax Abatement for Peer Foods Group for Real and Personal Property as presented by Peer Foods CFO Tom Sutton and Columbus Economic Development President Jason Hester. The project scope has gone up since last week. The investment calls for twenty-seven-million dollars (\$27,000,000) in real property and five-million six-hundred-twenty-thousand dollars (\$5,620,000) in new equipment while retaining 64 jobs and adding 57 new jobs. They are asking for ten (10)

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years for both real and personal property. Jorge Morales asked for Jason Hester to explain to the audience as to how the tax abatement system works. Mr. Hester explained the process. CFO Sutton explained the operation that they are planning at the new site as well as the use of the existing facility that is in Columbus. This new facility will be behind the outlet mall in Edinburgh/Taylorsville. Even with the additional equipment, they are still planning to start construction in April and start moving in December of 2018, starting production in 2019. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve a Real and Personal Property abatement for 10 years. Matt Miller seconded the motion. Jorge Morales stated that he ran the numbers and he came very close to what Mr. Hester had. He stated that Mariah has been in the community and stayed here after the 2008 flood. This will increase the money for the County due to the increase in employees. Mark Gorbett also is very pleased with this request and their interest in staying in the community. Commissioner Kleinhenz stated that he supports this. This plant will bring in raw material. They will not be slaughtering animals at the facility. The vote was called for and passed unanimously.

The net item on the agenda was a request for Additional Appropriations in the amount of ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the Jury Supplemental Fund (310) as presented by Judge Coriden and Office Manager Janet Ketron. Judge Coriden is asking to have the money they have collected be transferred into their jury fund. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the request as presented. Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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The next item on the agenda was a request for Additional Appropriations for the Court Improvement Program Grant (675) and Pre-Trial Services Grant (726) as presented by Circuit Court Office Manager Tammy Johannesen. The Pre-Trial Services Grant will provide first appearance which will place people in front of a Judge rather quickly. First Appearance court is held on Monday and Wednesdays. This money will pay the public defender for this. This amount is for sixteen-thousand Bill Lentz made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The Court Improvement Program Grant is in several parts for a total of thirty-three-thousand one-hundred-ten dollars and fifty cents (\$33,110.50). The amount on the agenda is the total of the funds that they are requesting from the same Grant. Judge Mallow was successful in acquiring this Grant. They have a coordinator on staff that will see that these cases meet the criteria then the family has to be in agreement to participate. There will be a team that works with the family. The goal is that children will be reunified quicker with their family. Chris Ogle made a motion to approve the request as presented. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was for a Request for Transfer of Funds for the Auditor's Office as presented by Chief Deputy Sandy Beatty. This request is to transfer six-hundred dollars (\$600) to the 440 account for the replacement of some old chairs for personnel in the office. Chris Ogle made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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The next item on the agenda was a Request for a 2018 Salary Ordinance Amendment as presented by Community Corrections Director Brad Barnes. One position is in the Youth Services Center. It is paid from a Grant and is position #10 in the YSC budget. They would like to change it to reflect it as a Probation Officer and non-exempt. Chris Ogle made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next position was from the Community Corrections Grant is position #34 which is not currently a Probation Officer. This will provide an additional supervisor position and make this position usable in more duties. Laura DeDomenic made a motion to approve the request as presented. Bill Lentz seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a Request for a 2018 Salary Ordinance Amendment regarding nursing positions at the Jail as presented by Sheriff Matt Myers. They currently have a Registered Nurse and two LPN's. He is asking to have all LPN's, changing the Registered Nurse to an LPN. There was discussion regarding whether the salary was appropriate. They do not believe the salary for the RN is sufficient but the LPN positions seem to be appropriate. Laura DeDomenic made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a Request to Amend the 2018 County Council Calendar. They need to move the March 13 to March 20 due to Spring Break, May 8 to May 9 due to the Election and September 4 to September 5 due to the holiday. Laura

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DeDomenic made a motion to approve the request as presented. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next items on the agenda were updates by the Council members regarding Boards and Commissions as follows:

- **Matt Miller:**

Personnel Administrative Committee – nothing to report

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

- **Laura DeDomenic:**

Liaison to Health Bd – reviewed 2018 plan. More pressure for needle exchanges. Reviewed statistics on drug overdoses.

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – nothing to report

Columbus Economic Development Bd – Peer Foods was the big news.

- **Jorge Morales:**

County Plan Commission – nothing to report

Liaison to Sheriff's Merit Bd – nothing to report

Cols Economic Development Bd – nothing to report

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – nothing to report

- **Mark Gorbett:**

Emergency Management Bd – nothing to report

Emergency Dispatch Services – nothing to report

Community Corrections Bd – nothing to report

Data Board – staff in place – a couple of laptops for replacements so no additional licensing costs.

Drug Epidemic Committee – nothing to report

- **Bill Lentz:**

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Personnel Administrative Committee – nothing to report

Cols Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bd – nothing to report

- **Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence:**

County Parks & Recreation Bd – One person will do a Senior Project at Owens Bend. There have been security issues at Anderson Fal

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Youth Services Center Advisory Committee – new JDAI person.

JDAI – nothing to report

Affordable Housing Meeting – nothing to report

- **Chris Ogle:**

Solid Waste Management District Bd – nothing to report

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Jorge Morales made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Laura DeDomenic and passed unanimously.

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By: _____
Mark Gorbett, President

By: _____
Chris Ogle, Pro-Tem

By: _____
Bill Lentz, Member

By: _____
Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence, Member

By: _____
Jorge Morales, Member

By: _____
Laura DeDomenic, Member

By: _____
Matt Miller, Member

ATTEST: _____
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor
Bartholomew County