

**BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

August 28, 2023

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on Monday, August 28, 2023 in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Larry S. Kleinhenz, Carl Lienhoop and Tony London, Auditor Pia O'Connor, Attorney Grant Tucker and County Administrator Tina Douglas were in attendance.

Commissioner London opened the meeting.

Commissioner London gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the Approval of the Minutes from the meeting on Monday, August 21, 2023 **Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to Approve the Minutes from Monday, August 21, 2023 Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Approval of Claims. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Approve Claims. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Weekly Permits Report as read by Commissioner London

<i>Time frame</i>	<i>New Permits</i>	<i>Fees</i>	<i>Value</i>
8/21/23–8/25/23	24	\$2,994	\$667,258

The next item was the Highway Crew Report as presented by Highway Engineer Danny Hollander, as follows:

The Highway Crew chip and sealed 850 S, 950 S, 50 W, 150 W, 600 E, 500 E, 500 S, 1200 E, and Rail Road. They Dura Patched, put up signs, mowed on 25th Street. Milestone paved on 700 S west of 100 W and 700 W, Baker Hollow to Georgetown Road.

Reporter Mark Webber from *The Republic* asked when the 25th St. Bridge would be complete. Engineer Hollander stated it should be done within the next day or so but that it would still need striped; he hoped it would be opened by this Friday, September 1, 2023.

The next item was a Proposal for Information Technology Repairs to the Emergency Operations Center Security Systems, presented by IT Director, Scott Mayes, as follows:

Koorsen Fire & Security

- *Access Control System* \$ 2,982.00

Replace the current ACS controller with a Prowatch two (2) door controller. Connect and program to existing Honeywell server

- *Video Surveillance* \$ 7,583.51

Like Model. Koorsen will replace the damaged ESACQ NVR with a new 8TB A Series model. This will include transferring nine (9) camera licenses to the new server.

- *Intercom System* \$ 14,582.13

Replace the current setup on 2N Intercom with a standalone intercom system. This will include the installation of two (2) door stations, two (2) master station (in call center), four (4) masters in upstairs office and required cable/infrastructure.

Total Expense for Repairs by Koorsen \$ ***25,147.64***

- *A quote was requested from Securitas but they declined to submit.*
- *This will be paid with E911 funds until reimbursed by Insurance Claim*

Reporter Mark Webber asked when lightning strike occurred. Commissioner London replied that it was sometime during the first week of July. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Approve the Agreement for repairs by Koorsen for \$25,147.64 as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Consideration of a Renewal Agreement between Mitchell & McCormick, Inc. and Bartholomew County Public Health Department presented by Director of Nursing, Amanda Organist as follows:

- *Mitchell & McCormick, Inc. provides third party billing and processing insurance for immunizations, which is required for the immunization grant.*
- *Terms: One (1) Year Agreement*
- *Public Health Department has used this company since before 2015*
- *Renewal Fee* **\$ 500.00**
- *+ 10% of amount received from insurance* **\$ percentage-based**
- *Paid out of Immunization Grant*

Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Approve the Renewal Agreement with Mitchell & McCormick, Inc. and the Bartholomew County Public Health Department. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was the Animal Control Monthly Report for July 2023 presented by Animal Control Director Dean Satterfield as follows:

***Monthly Report
July 2023***

<i>Action</i>	<i>Dog</i>	<i>Cat</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Picked Up</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>23</i>		<i>33</i>
<i>Audits</i>				<i>58</i>
<i>Violations</i>	<i>1</i>			<i>1</i>
<i>Fines</i>	<i>1</i>			<i>1</i>
<i>Bite Cases</i>	<i>1</i>			<i>1</i>
<i>Door Hangers</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>2</i>
<i>Animals Reclaimed</i>				<i>0</i>
<i>Traps Loaned Out</i>		<i>1</i>		<i>1</i>
<i>Total Cases</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>71</i>
<i>Mileage for the month</i>			<i>Total Miles</i>	
<i>Van #1</i>	<i>933</i>		<i>149,609</i>	
<i>Van #2</i>	<i>1372</i>		<i>63,190</i>	

Goals for Improvement

- *Sheriff's Department putting on Domestic Animal Abuse Training Oct. 4.*
- *IT – Animal Control Manager Software to improve process*
- *Looking for Radio Equipment to minimize cell phone usage while driving and improving response time to calls*

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Accept the Animal Control Monthly Report as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was the Veteran's Monthly Report for July 2023 prepared by VSO Larry Garrity and presented by Commissioner Lienhoop as follows:

**Monthly Report
July 2023**

<i>Item</i>	<i>Monthly</i>	<i>Year-to-Date</i>
<i>In Office Interviews</i>	48	315
<i>Out of Office Interviews</i>	4	13
<i>Walk-ins</i>	32	349
<i>Incoming Phone Calls</i>	274	1422
<i>Outgoing Phone Calls</i>	40	95
<i>Outgoing Mail</i>	3	13
<i>Incoming Fax</i>	2	6
<i>Outgoing Fax</i>	5	45
<i>Trips to VA Hospital</i>	16	271
<i>Mileage on Van</i>	1,269	8,318
<i>New Claims Filed</i>	16	133
<i>Veteran Disability Compensation Claims Filed</i>	30	147
<i>Veteran/Surviving Spouse Pension Claims</i>	4	26
<i>Burial Appropriations</i>	8	57
<i>All Forms Filled Out for Veterans</i>	141	944
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	0	8

**Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Accept the Veteran’s Monthly Report as presented.
Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

All county offices will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2023 in observance of Labor Day.

The next item, under miscellaneous business, was Dave Broden, CEO of Hoosier Fiber Network with an update on the County-Wide ISP Project. A ground-breaking ceremony will be announced soon. Currently they are connecting fiber to the first (approx. 100) homes in Bartholomew County, which will be completed by the end of September. The entire county should have coverage by July 2025.

Notably, Exhibit Columbus is up and running and the annual Hospice Concert will take place on Saturday, September 2, 2023.

The next Commissioners’ meeting will be Monday, September 11, 2023.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

TONY LONDON, CHAIRMAN

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

ATTEST:

PIA O’CONNOR