

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

December 11, 2023

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on December 11, 2023, in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Tony London, Larry S. Kleinhenz, Carl H. Lienhoop (via Zoom), County Administrator Tina Douglas, Auditor Pia O'Connor, and Attorney Grant Tucker were in attendance.

Commissioner London opened the meeting.

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

The first item was the Approval of Minutes of December 4, 2023. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve the December 4th Minutes, as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Approval of Payroll. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve Payroll as presented. 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>
<i>12/4/23 to 12/8/23</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>\$3,142</i>	<i>\$6,361,520</i>

This week's permits include \$5,565,300 from Ferguson Construction for the foundation of the new Toyota Commercial Building.

The next item was the Highway Weekly Crew Report as presented by Highway Engineer Danny Hollander as follows: crack-seal Marr Road; cut trees around bridges in Hawcreek and Clifty Townships; Dura-patched; fixed ditch on 950 N; worked on berm and ditches on 675 W; mowed in Hawcreek Township; Milestone paved 675 W. The contract for paving with Milestone was completed.

The next item was the Highway Department's November Monthly Crew Report. Commissioner London asked about traffic signs at high-traffic intersections, specifically at the 25th Street stop sign, and the solar-powered flashing stop signs being vandalized. Engineer Hollander noted that the signs have been fixed. Mark Webber asked if there have been other forms of vandalism and Engineer Hollander noted that spray painting, shooting, and theft of the signs are the most common.

The next item was a proposal from the Sheriff's Department for radar guns presented by Sergeant Andrew Whipker. The proposal is for six (6) new dash-mounted radar units paid out of the

Sheriff's Department 04-40 account with the list of comparable choices below and the preferred choice being from Stalker (Richardson, TX).

Stalker (Richardson, TX)

- Six (6) Dual Radar Units at \$2,261.00 each
- Indiana 2-Antenna

Total: \$13,566.00

Massachusetts State Contract (Online Quote)

- Six (^) Three Dual KA Band Radar Units at \$2,590.25 each

Total: \$15,541.50

Dana Safety Supply (Online Quote from Nashville, TN)

- Six (6) Python III Moving Law Enforcement Radar Systems at \$3,030.05 each

Total: \$18,180.30

Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the proposal as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was the consideration of Notice to Bidders for Five (5) 2024 or Newer Sheriff Vehicles. In 2022, no new vehicles were purchased and the Sheriff's Department ordered 12 Ram 1500's in October 2022 for 2023 and have yet to receive the order. They are broadening their search to the below-listed vehicles to hopefully receive some of the needed vehicles. The Tahoe model was chosen to most meet the needs, specifically for canine use, and the towing capacity. The comparable choice would be a Dodge Ram however those bids for SSV or PPV-rated vehicles are not open to be purchased from manufacturers. This purchase would come from the Sheriff's Department 2024 budget funds. The vehicles would be Chevrolet Tahoe Police Pursuit Vehicles (PPV) or Special Service Vehicles (SSV). Advertisements will be run on Wednesday, December 13th and Wednesday, December 20th with the bids opened on Monday, January 8th, 2024. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the consideration of the Notice to Bidders as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the consideration of an agreement with Donaldson Management Capital Investment, LLC. The agreement is for investment management services for Bartholomew County employee retirement income. Donaldson will provide discretionary investment advice to the client about available investment alternatives and assist in developing an investment policy statement. The use of Donaldson Management Capital Investment, LLC would be up to the employee. The

agreement can be terminated at any time with thirty (30) day written notice. The county currently uses Nationwide for this benefit. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve the agreement as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the consideration of a Plan Service Agreement with Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. The consideration is about the Plan Service Agreement between Donaldson, the Bartholomew County Employee Retirement Plan Administrator, and Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. Donaldson is responsible for performing certain administration and record-keeping duties. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the agreement as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Treasurer's October Monthly Report as prepared by Barb Hackman, Treasurer. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the proposals for the Bartholomew County Courthouse HVAC Modifications. Two companies submitted bids, the first being Harrell-Fish, Inc. (Bloomington, IN) with a bid of \$4,940,000 and the second bid from Dunlap & Company, Inc. (Columbus, IN) of \$3,375,000. **Commissioner London motioned to take the bids under advisement as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

TONY LONDON, CHAIRMAN

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

ATTEST:

