

**COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

**February 12, 2024**

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on February 12, 2024, in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Larry S. Kleinhenz, Carl H. Lienhoop, Tony London, Attorney J. Grant Tucker, County Administrator Tina Douglas, Assistant County Administrator Brooke Bowers, and Auditor Pia O'Connor were in attendance.

Commissioner Kleinhenz opened the meeting.

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

The next item was the Approval of Minutes of February 5, 2024. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve the February 5, 2024 Minutes, as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Approval of Claims. **Commissioner London motioned to approve Claims as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the weekly permits report as read by Commissioner Kleinhenz:

<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>New Permits</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Value</u>
2/5/2024 to 2/9/2024	28	\$4,856	\$1,873,113*

*\*Arbor Homes and Mother Bear's Pizza Remodel*

The next item was from the Planning Department for Right-of-Way Dedications presented by Assistant Planning Director, Melissa Begley. The dedications are as follows:

- **BMP-2024-001: Toby & Amy Kleffman Minor Subdivision** - *A request by Toby and Amy Kleffman to create 1 new lot, for a total of 2 lots over +/- 16.81 acres. The property is located on the north side of Seymour Road, across from the intersection with 675 West, in Jackson Township. They are dedicating approximately 0.54 acres of right-of-way along Seymour Road.*
- **BMP-2024-002: Roettgen Minor Subdivision** – *A request by Deborah A. Roettgen to create 1 new lot, for a total of 2 lots over +/- 22.94 acres. The property is located at 7164 West 550 South, in Ohio Township. This project includes land in both the City and County Jurisdictions and therefore requires review by both the City of Columbus Plat Committee and Bartholomew County Plat Committee. They are dedicating approximately 0.29 acres of right-of-way along 550 South.*

- **BMP-2024-003: 300 N/ 700 E Minor Subdivision** – *A request by Thomas Kip & Kimberly Bonnell, and Connor & Rebecca Bonnell to convert 2 agriculture tracts into 2 buildable lots, for a total of 2 lots over +/- 45.342 acres. The property is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of 300 North and 700 East, in Clay Township. They are dedicating approximately 1.605 acres of right-of-way along 300 South and 700 East.*

**Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve all of the Right-of-Way Dedications, as presented.**

**Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the consideration of a Notice to Bidders and Contractors for the Rehabilitation of Bridge #111 – Gladstone Avenue over Clifty Creek, presented by Engineer Danny Hollander. Bridge #111 is on County Road 115 E (Gladstone Avenue) over Clifty Creek and is a concrete structure that was built in 1967. The advertisement for bids will be on Wednesday, February 14th, and Wednesday, February 21st, 2024 with the bids opening on Monday, March 4th, 2024. The maximum span length of the bridge is 56 feet with a bridge roadway width of 25.5 feet, and the approach roadway width is 20 feet. Mark Webber asked what the construction time frame would be and Engineer Hollander stated anywhere from 6 to 8 weeks depending on the weather.

**Commissioner London motioned to approve the Notice to Bidders as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the December 2023 Financial Report and January 2024 Financial Reports presented by Engineer Hollander. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the Monthly Reports as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Ratification of an Expenditure for the Highway Department, presented by Engineer Hollander. The ratification was for guardrail repair for the Bridge 675 West Project and was paid out of the Cumulative Bridge Fund. C-Tech Corporation, Inc. (Boggstown, IN) completed the work for \$7,200.00. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to ratify the expense for C-Tech Corporation, Inc. (Boggstown, IN) as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Ratification of an Expenditure for the Highway Department, presented by Engineer Hollander. The ratification was for three (3) Clip Clutches for the Highway Department's Batwing Mower. The clutches were purchased from Koenig Equipment, Inc. (Botkins, OH) for \$5,649.59. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to ratify the expense for Koenig Equipment, Inc.**

(Botkins, OH) as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was a proposal from the Highway Department for Guardrail Repairs presented by Engineer Hollander. There are three (3) separate guardrail repairs due to vehicle accidents that will be paid out of the Highway Budget but will be reimbursed by the applicable driver's insurance companies. The quotes are as follows:

- **James Drew Corporation (Indianapolis, IN)**
  1. 25<sup>th</sup> St. West of 500 E \$2,450.00
  2. CR 750 E South of 20 0S \$3,550.00
  3. Bellesville Road \$2,300.00
  - Total: \$8,300.00**
  
- **C-TECH Corporation (Boggstown, IN)**
  1. 25<sup>th</sup> St. West of 500 E \$4,600.00
  2. CR 750 E South of 200 S \$6,000.00
  3. Bellesville Road \$3,050.00
  - Total: \$13,650.00**

Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve the proposal from James Drew Corporation (Indianapolis, IN) as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was the proposal for Three (3) 2023-2024 Tandem Axle Dump Trucks for the Highway Department presented by Engineer Hollander. The bids received were from two (2) companies and are outlined below:

- **Stoops (Indianapolis, IN) - \$392,826.00**
- **Decatur Truck & Tractor, Inc. (Greensburg, IN) - \$435,719.40**  
**\*DBA Selking International**

Commissioner London motioned to take the bid under advisement as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next item was the proposal for Three (3) 2023-2024 Body Snow Plow and Equipment for the Highway Department presented by Engineer Hollander. The bids received were from one (1) company and are outlined below:

- **Clark Truck Equipment (Crawfordsville, IN) - \$442,314**

**Commissioner London motioned to take the bid under advisement as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was a proposal from the Sheriff's Department for Two (2) Padded Cell Replacements presented by Major Brandon Slate with the Operations Division. The padded cells being replaced are in severe disrepair and are due for a much-needed update as stated by Commissioner Kleinhenz after seeing the cells himself along with Major Slate. The cost for the replacements will come out of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund and the proposals are as follows:

- **INDY WALL PADDING (INDIANAPOLIS, IN) - \$68,950.00**
  - *Remove existing padding, and install new detention padding on walls, floor, and two (2) doors per room for two (2) cells.*
- **PADDED SURFACES BY B&E (INDIANAPOLIS, IN) - \$67,620.00**
  - *Remove existing cell padding, furnish and install new padding for one (1) cell.*

**Commissioner London motioned to accept the proposal from Indy Wall Padding (Indianapolis, IN) as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was a proposal from the Sheriff's Department for Equipment for Five (5) 2024 New Sheriff Vehicles presented by Sergeant Andrew Whipker with the Uniform Division. The five (5) vehicles being equipped with necessary police equipment were approved and purchased last month. The vehicles coming from Chevrolet come with a "police package" which means upgraded brakes, tires, and other basics but they do not come outfitted with the equipment required like police lights, radio hookups, cages, etc. Three (3) companies were contacted, but John Jones was the only one who chose not to bid. Sergeant Whipker noted that Waymire A.P.S. Inc. was the lowest bidder, however, the benefit and convenience of having a local company that can service and build the vehicles was deemed to outweigh the \$634.38 in savings. The cost for the sheriff vehicle equipment will come out of Jail funds and the proposals are as follows:

- **Waymire A.P.S. Inc. (Indianapolis, IN)**

- Two (2) 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe Admin at \$12,211.83 each	\$24,423.66
- One (1) 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV Patrol	\$15,145.83
- Two (2) 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV K9 at \$21,660.63 each	\$43,321.26
<b>Total Quote for all Five (5) Vehicles:</b>	<b>\$82,890.75</b>
- **Move Over Outfitters, Inc. (Columbus, IN)**

- Two (2) 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe Admin at \$11,583.97 each	\$23,167.94
- One (1) 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV Patrol	\$14,909.45
- Two (2) 2024 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV K9 at \$21,660.63 each	\$45,447.74
<b>Total Quote for all Five (5) Vehicles:</b>	<b>\$83,525.13</b>

**Commissioner London motioned to accept the proposal from Move Over Outfitters, Inc. (Columbus, IN) as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the consideration of a Renewal Agreement between Off Duty Management and the Sheriff's Department presented by Major Brandon Slate with the Operations Division. Off Duty Management provides the facilitation of security services with vendors that request assistance from the Bartholomew County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department doesn't have to pay for the management services, as the customer who requests security pays the fees. The original agreement signed with Off Duty Management on January 25, 2021, will be renewed without any changes to the terms of the original agreement. The renewal is valid for one year, from January 25, 2024, through January 25, 2025. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to accept the Renewal Agreement with Off Duty Management as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the ratification of an expenditure for the Maintenance Department which was presented by Maintenance Supervisor, Rick Trimpe, and is shown below:

- **MacAllister Rentals (Columbus, IN) - \$7,994.25**
  - *Four (4) week rental of a lift from 1/11/24 to 2/8/24 paid for out of ARP Funds – used at the Courthouse to help reach the 4<sup>th</sup> floor to remove storage.*

**Commissioner London motioned to ratify the expenditure as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was a proposal from the Maintenance Department for Carpet for the Courthouse presented by Maintenance Supervisor, Rick Trimpe. While the Courthouse is being worked on for the HVAC project, the carpets will be replaced as well so all of the updates will be done at the same time. The proposals are for the carpet only and the installation will be completed by the Maintenance Department except for large areas that will be subcontracted out at a later date. This will be paid out of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund. The proposals are as follows:

- **Riverside Carpet One - \$33,300.00**
  - 2,000 yards (18,000 SF) with no installation, carpet only
- **Columbus Carpet & Linoleum - \$35,280.00**
  - 2,000 yards (18,000 SF) with no installation, carpet only

**Commissioner London motioned to accept the proposal from Riverside Carpet One, as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was a proposal from the Information Technology Department for the Data Cabling Upgrade for the Bartholomew County Courthouse presented by IT Director, Scott Mayes. While the Courthouse is being upgraded for the HVAC modifications, the old cabling must be removed and replaced with new CAT (6) cabling which is the current data cabling standard. The old cables, dating back to the 1980s, within the walls, will be removed and replaced with 72,000 feet of cabling up to date with the current standards. Due to Forster being awarded the subcontractor for the Electrical Replacement Bid for the HVAC modifications, the cabling replacement will coincide with the other electrical replacements. Commissioner London asked if there would be a cost difference if the cable removal and update would be done in-house and Director Mayes stated between the additional time the Courthouse would be under construction along with labor costs it would equal a higher cost. Forster Electrical Services, Inc. (Columbus, IN) quoted the job to be \$100,775.00 with \$61,000 of that being just for cable and parts. This will be paid out of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Fund. An audience member asked if the cables could be recycled and Director Mayes answered that the vendor will be disposing of the cable but he believes due to the age of the cables and not being up to standard it will not be reusable. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to accept the proposal from Forster Electrical Services, Inc. (Columbus, IN), as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the proposal for the Provision and Operation of Correctional Food Services for the Bartholomew County Jail presented by Major Brandon Slate with the Operations Division. Three (3) bids were received but the Kellwell Food Management (Beattyville, KY) was not a compliant bid due to the Non-collusion Form 95 not being included. All bids are listed below:

- ***Kellwell Food Management (Beattyville, KY) – Non-Compliant Bid***
- ***Tiger Correctional Services (Jonesboro, AR)***
- ***Trinity Services Group, Inc. (Oldsmar, FL)***

**Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to take the bids under advisement as presented.**

**Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the consideration of the In-person Primary Voter Registration Deadline, presented by Commissioner Kleinhenz. Due to county offices being closed on Monday, April 8, 2024, which is the original deadline, voter registration applications will be accepted until Noon the following day Tuesday, April 9, 2024. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the consideration, as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

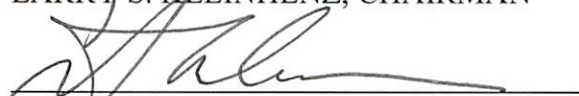
Under miscellaneous, county offices will be closed on Monday, February 19, 2024, in recognition of Presidents' Day, and the next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, February 26, 2024. County offices will also be closed on Monday, April 8, 2024, due to the Total Solar Eclipse Event.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

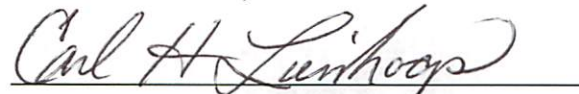
BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS



LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, CHAIRMAN



TONY LONDON, MEMBER



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ATTEST:



PIA O'CONNOR, AUDITOR