

**COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

**April 15, 2024**

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on April 15, 2024, in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Larry S. Kleinhenz, Carl H. Lienhoop (via zoom), Tony London, County Administrator Tina Douglas, Assistant County Administrator Brooke Bowers, Attorney J. Grant Tucker, and Auditor Pia O'Connor were in attendance.

Commissioner Kleinhenz opened the meeting.

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

The next item was the Approval of Minutes for April 1, 2024, and April 4, 2024. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve the April 1, 2024, and April 4, 2024 Minutes as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Approval of Payroll. **Commissioner London 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:

<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>New Permits</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Value</u>
4/1/24 to 4/5/24	19	\$11,651	\$12,711,169*
4/8/24 to 4/12/24	18	\$2,615	\$416,082

*\* \$11,600,000 due to Georg Utz Commercial Addition by Dunlap*

The next item was the Ratification of Expenditures for the Information Technology Department, presented by IT Director, Scott Mayes. The following expenditures, excluding the Zoom Video Expenditure, are being ratified due to the Courthouse/CSC renovations and the displacement of Judge Kelly Benjamin's court.

**CDW-G - \$5,370.80**

- *Workstation Equipment: Purchased on State Bid Contract - Paid out of ARP (American Rescue Plan) Courthouse Fund.*

**CDW-G - \$36,669.31**

- *MDF Rack Move Equipment / Workstation Equipment / Camera Equipment at CSC / Power Management Equipment: Purchased on State Bid Contract - Paid out of ARP Courthouse Fund.*

**CDW-G - \$10,728.05**

- *VOIP Headsets to Mobilize Voice Services / Workstation Equipment: Paid out of ARP Courthouse Fund.*

**M&M Office Products - \$5,306.00**

- *Printing/Copy/Scanning Equipment (Added to County Print Services Contract): Paid out of ARP Courthouse Fund.*

**Zoom Video Communications, Inc. - \$12,999.40**

- *All Zoom Services used at Bartholomew County / Client Licenses / Zoom Meeting Rooms / Courtrooms: Paid Out of IT's Budget.*

**Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Ratify all of the aforementioned Expenditures as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the consideration of an Annual Renewal Agreement for the IT Department, presented by Director Scott Mayes. The agreement is with Corrisoft, LLC for the 2024 Court Services, Youth Services, and Work Release case management system. This a budgeted item for the IT Department and is \$5,658.60 for one (1) year. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Approve the agreement as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Ratification of the Consideration of a Letter of Approval for the 2025 Community Corrections Grant Application to the Indiana Department of Correction, presented by Director Rob Gaskill. The letter was due April 12, 2024, and represented the recommendation of the commissioners and their continued support and funding of all levels of supervision components presently being operated at Community Corrections. The grant stays the same as the grant for 2024. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Ratify the Letter of Approval as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Ratification of Expenditures for the Maintenance Department for the Highway Department Garage. These expenditures are due to a sewage overflow into the Highway Garage building and are for the clean-up and to fix the issue causing the back-up.

**Timberline Restoration (Columbus, IN) - \$6,882.26**

- *Inside of Building: sewage clean up and dry out – paid out of Maintenance Department budget and submitted to insurance.*

**Circle R Mechanical (Columbus, IN) - \$12,929.97**

- Outside of Building: digging up and repairing sewer line, backfilling, and pouring a 20x20 square concrete pad, *submitted to insurance.*

**Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Ratify the Expenditures as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Ratification of an Expenditure for the Park Board for the Heflin Park Bank Restoration Project, presented by Director Rich Day. The original amount awarded to the Stanger Group, Inc. of \$80,421.80 on February 6, 2023, was increased due to construction services coming in higher once work was completed. The additional work was because of Trees hanging over the river and it was cheaper to have this issue resolved while the equipment was on-site versus calling them back out which would result in costs to move the equipment.

*Original Grant Amount - \$68,800.00*

*Park Board Remaining Cost (increase of \$3,210) - \$14,831.80*

*New Total Construction Services (12-22-23) - \$83,631.80*

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

The next item was the consideration of the Annual Aquatic Control Agreement for the Parks Department, presented by Director Rich Day. The agreement is with Aquatic Control, Inc. (Seymour, IN) with the Parks Department for a monthly lake maintenance program starting April 2024 through September 2024. This is for algae treatments and weed treatments to control nuisance vegetation at Heflin Park. The lake maintenance program includes a monthly inspection with one (1) pond treatment. Additional algae treatments may be provided for a fee of \$180.00. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Approve the Agreement as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Consideration of a Contract for Playground Equipment for the Parks Department, presented by Director Rich Day. The contract is with Linda Forster from Windmill Farms (Hartsville, IN) for playground equipment design at Grammer and Petersville Parks. The term of the contract is from April 15, 2024 through December 31, 2024 and the fees for the contract are not to exceed \$5,000.00. The work will include:

- Audit current park equipment for safety and wear, ADA compliance, and if equipment meets current standards of care by the American Society for Testing and Materials.

- Provide recommendations for new & existing equipment for Grammer and Petersville Parks.
- Create new designs and budgets for equipment and resurfacing for the two playgrounds which include: the removal of old equipment, cost of new, design location and size with drainage requirements, cost of installation, installation of new ADA sidewalks, and final inspection.
- Aid in the process of bidding on new equipment and resurfacing by obtaining bids, reviewing proposals, and presenting recommendations to the board.
- Act as a general contractor for the two parks.
- Assist in creating a five-year plan budget to finalize remaining parks with new equipment in 2024 through 2028.

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

The next item was a Proposal from the Park Board for One (1) Skid Steer, presented by Director Rich Day. The proposal is for one (1) mid-size compact track loader (skid steer) and must include: 70” to 78” dozer blade, heavy-duty utility bucket, heavy-duty pallet forks, review camera, air suspension seat, cab with AC/heat. The Park Board has approved and budgeted this item. The quotes are as follows:

**Bobcat of Columbus (Columbus, IN) - \$84,923.57**

- *T770 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader*
- *Two (2) year warranty or 2000 hours, whichever occurs first*

**Wright Implement (Seymour, IN) - \$111,527.53**

- *John Deere 2024 333g Compact Tracker Loader*

**Reynolds Farm Equipment (Fishers, IN) - \$114,311.97**

- *John Deere 33g Compact Tracker Loader*

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

The next item was the January and February 2024 Monthly Treasurer’s Report as prepared by Treasurer Barb Hackman. **Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to Accept the Report as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Highway Weekly Crew Report, presented by Highway Engineer, Danny Hollander, as follows: crack-sealing; dura-patched in Ohio, Clifty, and Jackson Townships; ground stumps; ditched on 400 S, 200 N, and Seymour Road; put up signs; picked up debris from trees on 650 W, 950 S, Spray Road, 675 W, Lake Road, and Mt. Healthy.

The next item was the Proposals for Box Culverts presented by Highway Engineer Hollander. The box culverts will be placed at in two locations on 700 South with quotes as follows:

***Box Culvert for 700 South #1:***

**S&M Precast, Inc. - \$19,644.00**

- 8' x 3' Concrete Box

**Indiana Precast (Columbus, IN) - \$22,929.62**

- 8' x 3' Concrete Box

**Civilcon - \$27,961.56**

- 8' x 3' Concrete Box

**Civilcon - \$34,262.20**

- 8' x 3' Aluminum Box

**E3Bridge - \$27,277.70**

- 8' x 3' Aluminum Box

**Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Award the Proposal for 700 South #1 to S&M Precast, Inc. as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

***Box Culvert for 700 South #5:***

**S&M Precast, Inc. - \$27,212.00**

- 8' x 3' Concrete Box

**Indiana Precast (Columbus, IN) - \$29,316.06**

- 8' x 3' Concrete Box

**Civilcon - \$35,614.08**

- 8' x 3' Concrete Box

**Civilcon - \$40,199.00**

- 8' x 3' Aluminum Box

**E3Bridge - \$32,278.02**

- 8' x 3' Aluminum Box

**Commissioner London motioned to Award the Proposal for 700 South #5 to S&M Precast, Inc. as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Proposals for Hot Mix, Cold Mix, and Liquid Asphalt for the Highway Department, read by County Attorney, J. Grant Tucker. There were no bids for Cold Mix and that is due to contractors bidding it out in the fall. The bidders are as follows:

**Hot Mix:**

- *Dave O'Mara Contractor, Inc. (North Vernon, IN)*
- *Milestone Contractors, L.P. (Columbus, IN)*

**Liquid Asphalt:**

- *Terry Asphalt Materials, Inc. (Hamilton, OH)*
- *Asphalt Materials, Inc. (Indianapolis, IN)*
- *Marathon Petroleum Co. (Indianapolis, IN)*

**Commissioner London motioned to take the Bids Under Advisement as presented.**

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

The next item was the Proposal for the 2024 Road Overlay Program for the Highway Department, read by County Attorney, J. Grant Tucker. The 2024 Road Overlay Program is through the Community Crossing Grant of \$3 million. The total miles bid is 25.997 with an estimated cost of \$3,000,001.662. The bidders are as follows:

- *Milestone Contractors, L.P. (Columbus, IN) - \$2,698,800*
- *Dave O'Mara Contractor, Inc. (North Vernon, IN) - \$2,898,129.27*
- *DC Construction Services (Pendleton, IN) - \$3,249,100*
- *Allstar Paving (Seymour, IN) - \$3,331,857.57*

**Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to take the Bids Under Advisement as presented.**

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

Under miscellaneous, Bartholomew County Resident, Jim Elkins, came back to speak again on the issue of the homeless population and what can be done to assist any and all that want to receive help. He talked about a tent city and where that could be located. Commissioner London noted that once a property is found that could meet safety requirements, that the Planning Department will need to be consulted for zoning purposes. Mr. Elkins asked if there was the potential for the city bus route to be extended. Commissioner London stated that federal funding would be required for that to happen.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS

  
LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, CHAIRMAN

  
TONY LONDON, MEMBER

  
CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER

ATTEST:

  
PIA O'CONNOR, AUDITOR