

# COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

June 10, 2024

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on June 10, 2024, in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Larry S. Kleinhenz, Carl H. Lienhoop, 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 Lienhoop gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The next item was the Approval of Minutes for June 3, 2024. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to approve the May 20, 2024, and May 30, 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 Lienhoop:

<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>New Permits</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Value</u>
6/3/24 to 6/7/24	28	\$5,981	\$9,018,499*

*\* Several Arbor Homes and one Major Homestead Remodel \**

The next item was the Highway Weekly Crew Report, presented by Highway Engineer, Danny Hollander, as follows: removed sod at Dunn Stadium for Pickleball Courts; cut Ludlow Court down for overlay; replaced pipes on 700 S; pushed up salt that was delivered; dirt along Blessing Road; Milestone paved Harrison Lake.

The next item was the Consideration of a Grant Application for the Sheriff's Department presented by Major Brandon Slate, Operations Division. The grant request is through the 2024 Duke Energy Emergency Response Grant. Kylie Foster, the Duke Energy Government & Community Relations Representative, reached out to Bartholomew County Sheriff's Department with regards to the grant opportunity. The grant would be used to purchase two (2) small-space, interior-use drones. The drones would be used by SWAT to view an interior premise, such as the inside of a building. Current drones are too large for use in that capacity. The grant is an advance grant, county receives funds upfront and requires a budget, with the grant period dates of 2024 to 2025. The amount requested is \$3,000.00.

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

The next item was the Ratification of an Expenditure for the Maintenance Department, presented by Director Rick Trimpe. The expenditure was for the restoration and repair work on the E. Howard Tower Clock is located in the Courthouse. The work was completed by the Tower Clock Company (Charleston, OH) for \$6,200.00 and included the listed repairs:

- *Repaired three (3) arbor pivots*
- *Repaired four (4) arbor bushings*
- *Cleaned, debarred, and repaired all of the time side wheels and pinions*
- *Fabricated a new reset pin and brass knob*
- *Services the #4 E. Howard Tower Clock movement and motion works.*

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

The next item was the Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Statement of Benefits submitted by R&T Taylorsville, LLC on behalf of Irresistible Foods Group, Inc. for property in a previously designated allocation area and economic revitalization area, presented by Kristen Goecker, Director of Projects and Marketing. The resolution allows for an abatement of property taxes attributable to the redevelopment and/or the rehabilitation of real property and the installation of new personal property in an Economic Revitalization Area (ERA). Irresistible Foods Group, Inc. is considering an additional significant investment in Bartholomew County on its existing site at the southeast corner of 1-65 Exit 76, near Taylorsville. The company plans to construct a new facility to be separately parceled and established by a wholly owned entity, TV1, LLC. The proposed state-of-the-art facility will be approximately 150,000-160,000 square feet, calling for an estimated real property investment of \$40.0 million and the installation of \$14.0 million in new manufacturing and other equipment, for a total estimated initial capital investment of \$54± million. Once the new facility is operational and stabilized, they expect to generate 150 new positions within four years, with a projected payroll of \$7.8± million (or a projected average hourly wage of \$25.27), plus a benefits package. With the ERA designation in place, they are requesting that Bartholomew County approve a ten-year tax abatement (phase-in) on the net new taxes associated with the real property building improvements and a ten-year tax abatement (phase-in) on the net new taxes associated with the installation of all new qualifying equipment

(personal property). Irresistible Foods Group, Inc. has identified the following areas where county and/or state approvals and assistance will be beneficial and/or required:

- *The construction of 700 N and upgrades to the existing railroad crossing.*
- *The creation of a turn lane at the intersection of US 31 and Bear Lane, in tandem with INDOT's previously agreed upon improvement of the intersection.*

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

The next item was the Consideration of an Amended Agreement with Aquatic Control for the Park's Department presented by Director Rich Day. The agreement is for the monthly lake maintenance program for algae treatments and weed treatments to control nuisance vegetation at Heflin Park. The program includes a monthly inspection with one (1) pond treatment. Additional algae treatments may be provided for a \$180.00 fee. The agreement was initially from April 2024 through September 2024, however, one (1) month was missed. The new term will be from June 2024 to September 2024. The original cost was going to be \$2,243.61 but will now be \$1,953.00. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Approve the Amended Agreement as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Ratification of a Proposed Agreement with Patriot Engineering & Environmental, Inc. for material testing services, for the construction of the Pickleball Courts presented by Charlie Day with DLZ LLC. The agreement includes approximate amounts due to the work potentially requiring three (3) weeks of work and is as follows:

- *One day of Proof-rolling & observing unsuitable soils (Depending on time on site)  
Approx. \$950*
- *One day of sample retrieval from two different locations for proctor testing (Depending on time on site)  
Approx. \$900*
- *Three (3) proctors for compaction testing: One (1) sample of #53 stone, and two (2) samples of soils. Plus, lab time. (Depending on time & mileage)  
Approx. \$1,550*

- *All on-site testing for one technician and a nuclear density gauge will be (4-8 hours, depending on time on site)*  
*Approx. \$600-\$850*

***Estimated Total Amount Up To: \$15,000.00***

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

The next item was the Consideration of Proposals for the Bartholomew County Pickleball Courts, presented by Charlie Day and Jonathan Mooney with DLZ LLC. The proposals are specifically for an asphalt twelve (12) court pickleball complex at Dunn Stadium within Bartholomew County. There were eight (8) bids and they included alternative pricing amounts in addition to the base bid amount. Alternative 1 is for the use of reinforced concrete and alternative 2 is for site furnishings (bleachers, tables, etc.). The bids are as follows:

- ***Scenic Construction Services, Inc. (New Whiteland, IN) - \$693,300.00***
  - *Alternative Price 1 - \$184,779.00*
  - *Alternative Price 2 - \$95,300.00*
- ***PAF Construction, LLC (Columbus, IN) - \$837,627.55***
  - *Alternative Price 1 - \$213,926.13*
  - *Alternative Price 2 - \$9,764.28*
- ***Milestone Contractors (Columbus, IN) - \$740,538.25***
  - *Alternative Price 1 - \$102,679.50*
  - *Alternative Price 2 - \$77,795.00*
- ***Case Construction (Edinburgh, IN) - \$530,706.00***
  - *Alternative Price 1 - \$96,634.00*
  - *Alternative Price 2 - \$62,366.00*
- ***Charles C. Brandt Construction Co. (Indianapolis, IN) - \$699,900.00***
  - *Alternative Price 1 - \$85,200.00*
  - *Alternative Price 2 - \$67,700.00*
- ***Kings Trucking & Excavation (Seymour, IN) - \$586,100.00***
  - *Alternative Price 1 - \$81,690.00*
  - *Alternative Price 2 - \$66,590.00*
- ***Dave O'Mara (North Vernon, IN) - \$798,992.88***

- *Alternative Price 1 - \$237,458.70*
- *Alternative Price 2 - \$65,632.82*
- ***MacDougall Pierce Construction (Fishers, IN) - \$574,800.00***
  - *Alternative Price 1 - \$133,000.00*
  - *Alternative Price 2 - \$63,000.00*

**Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to take all of the Bids Under Advisement as presented.**

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

The next item was the Clerk’s April 2024 Monthly Report, prepared by Chief Deputy Clerk, Julie Robertson and presented by Commissioner London. **Commissioner London motioned to Accept the Clerk’s Monthly Report as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

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

The next item was the First Reading of the Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2013-05 Adopting a Personnel Policy for Bartholomew County. The amended ordinance is changing the normal work week from ending on Saturday at 11:59 pm each week to Sunday at 11:59 pm and also changes to Flex time for exempt employees. These changes are due to the new timekeeping system and are as follows:

***ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2013-05 ADOPTING A PERSONNEL POLICY FOR BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY, INDIANA***

1. *To remove the presently existing pages (17) and (25) from the Bartholomew County Personnel Policy Handbook which became effective on November 1, 2013, and replace them with the attached newly updated and amended pages (17) and (25) through this amended Ordinance, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.*

***Chapter 3 – Salary Administration***

***SECTION 3.1 NORMAL WORK WEEK Personnel Policy Handbook page 17***

2. *Section 3.1 Normal Work Week – The normal work week begins on Monday at 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and ends on the following Sunday at 11:59 p.m.*

***SECTION 3.16 FLEX TIME Personnel Policy Handbook page 25***

3. Section 3.16 Flex Time – Any accrued “Flex Time” hours for exempt employees (Chief Deputies included) will be an hour for an hour. However, flex time hours must be used by the following quarter in which it is earned. (i.e. flex hours accrued January through March (1st quarter) must be used by the end of (2nd) quarter, April through June).

4. The Effective date of this Ordinance once passed shall be June 17, 2024.

5. All other portions of the Bartholomew County Personnel Policy adopted through Ordinance No. 2013-05 shall remain unchanged.

Commissioner Kleinhenz opened the public hearing for comment, and Danny Hollander and Ginny Whipple both asked clarifying questions. Commissioner Kleinhenz closed the public hearing.

**Commissioner London motioned to Accept the First Reading as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

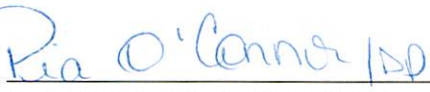
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ATTEST:

  
PIA O'CONNOR, AUDITOR