

# COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

June 24, 2024

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met on June 24, 2024, in the Commissioners Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Carl H. Lienhoop, Tony London, County Administrator Tina Douglas, Assistant County Administrator Brooke Bowers, and Chief Deputy Auditor Dalene Pattingill (via Zoom) were in attendance.

Commissioner Lienhoop opened the meeting.

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

The next item was the Approval of Minutes for June 17, 2024. **Commissioner London motioned to approve the June 17, 2024 Minutes, as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop 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>
6/17/24 to 6/21/24	26	\$7,703	\$3,131,228

The next item was the Highway Weekly Crew Report, presented by Highway Engineer, Danny Hollander, as follows: hauled dirt to Pickleball Courts; patched and mowed at the fairgrounds; ditched on 950 N; put up signs.

The next item was a Proposal from the Highway Department for Box Culvert Replacement, presented by Engineer Hollander. The box culvert is located at 900 E between 620 N and 650 N and the quotes are as follows:

**S&M Precast, Inc. (Henryville, IN) - \$9,576.00**

- 6' x 2' concrete box – 30 LF

**Indiana Precast (Columbus, IN) - \$11,936.70**

- 6' x 2' concrete box – 30 LF

**E3Bridge (Springville, IN) - \$15,660.00**

- 6' x 3' Precast 4-sided concrete box

**Civilcon (Jeffersonville, IN) - \$21,956.40**

- 6' x 2' concrete box – 30 LF

**Commissioner London motioned to Accept the Proposal from S&M Precast, Inc. (Henryville, IN) as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was both the April and May 2024 Monthly Crew Reports and both Financial Reports for the Highway as presented by Engineer Danny Hollander. **Commissioner London motioned to Accept the Monthly Crew and Financial Reports as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was a Right of Way Dedication from the Planning Department presented by Planning Director Jeff Bergman. The dedication is as follows:

- **BMP-2024-009: Fox Minor Subdivision** - *A request by Sandra E. Fox to create 1 new lot (4.749 acres), for a total of 1 lot, a parent tract remainder. The property is located at 207 East 1000 North, in German Township. County Road 1000 North is classified as a local road, requiring 25 feet of right-of-way to be dedicated along the new lot. The applicant is dedicating the required amount of right-of-way, 0.234 acres.*

**Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Approve the Right-of-Way Dedication, as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Presentation of Bartholomew County Substance Abuse Comprehensive Community Plan presented by Rachel Flohr-David, Prevention Initiatives Director for Youth Services Center. Director Flohr-David presented the Substance Abuse Council’s recommendations that were approved by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute for allocation from the Bartholomew County Local Drug Fee Communities Fund. The counter-measure fees related to alcohol and drug offenses collected totaled \$49,031.27. Director Flohr-David noted that the Law Enforcement agencies included in the plan have indicated their use for the funds as follows: drug location training with k-9’s; THC test kits, specifically for the use in local schools and vape pens; breathalyzers in every squad car. The remainder of the Law Enforcement Plan Funds can be requested later by the agencies if they need them. The Council’s proposal for disbursement outlined below:

<b>Category Allocation</b>	<b>Allocation</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<i>Prevention</i>	<i>\$18,386.73</i>	
<i>Family Service</i>	<i>\$5,000.00</i>	
<i>Recover Out Loud</i>	<i>\$5,751.86</i>	
<i>Recovery Café Columbus</i>	<i>\$300.00</i>	
<i>St. Peter’s Lutheran Church</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>	
<i>Turning Point</i>	<i>\$6,334.87</i>	

<i>Total</i>	<i>\$18,386.73</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Treatment</i>	<i>\$18,386.73</i>	
<i>Community Downtown/CCC</i>	<i>\$4,048.36</i>	
<i>Recovery Café Columbus</i>	<i>\$3,500.00</i>	
<i>St. Peter's Life Works</i>	<i>\$5,800.00</i>	
<i>Turning Point</i>	<i>\$5,038.37</i>	
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$18,386.73</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Law Enforcement</i>	<i>\$12,257.81</i>	
<i>BCSO</i>	<i>\$1,439.92</i>	
<i>CPD</i>	<i>\$6,599.00</i>	
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$8,038.92</i>	<i>\$4,218.89</i>

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

The next item was the Consideration of a Request for Permission to close a portion of a County Road, with the request being made by Heritage of Hope, Inc. Jacob Miller, CEO, requested the closure of a section of 700 N, one-mile west of Hope from the bridge over Hawcreek on West Jackson Street, to the intersection with County Road 670 E from 3pm – 11:59pm on Saturday, September 28, 2024. The request is for the annual Hope Heritage Days fireworks show. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Approve the Request as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Consideration of a Request for Permission to close a portion of a County Road, with the request being made by Harrison Lake Town Meeting and Harrison Lake Country Club. Michelle Martin, Communities Relations, requested to close Country Club Road and Raintree Drive South from 7pm - 11pm on Wednesday, July 3, 2024, for their fireworks display. They are also requesting the assistance of the Highway Department to place barricades by June 30, 2024, and to pickup said barricades by July 4, 2024. **Commissioner London motioned to Approve the Request 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 Commissioner London. Due to the courthouse HVAC modifications, part of the carpet and tile needed to be replaced while work was being completed in the basement. The type of flooring necessary to match what was still usable could only be purchased through Columbus Carpet & Linoleum, LLC (Columbus, IN). The purchase included carpet, tile, and glue that will be installed and paid for by the Maintenance Department. The total amount being ratified is \$7,870.00. **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 Covered Bridge Certification, prepared by the Auditor’s Office and presented by Commissioner Lienhoop. The certification is required by the state per IC 8-14-1-10. Bartholomew County has one (1) covered bridge at Mill Race Park which makes the county Eligible to receive state funding of \$1,850 for the maintenance of said bridge. The certification must be signed and turned in by July 31, 2023. **Commissioner Lienhoop motioned to Approve the Certification as presented. Commissioner London seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Animal Control May Monthly Report as prepared by Director Dean Satterfield and presented by Commissioner London as follows:

<i>Action</i>	<i>Dogs</i>	<i>Cats</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Picked Up</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>33</i>
<i>Audits</i>	<i>154</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>154</i>
<i>Violations</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Fines</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Bite Cases</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Door Hangers</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Animals Reclaimed</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Traps Loaned</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>3</i>
<b><i>Total Cases</i></b>	<b><i>148</i></b>	<b><i>32</i></b>	<b><i>16</i></b>	<b><i>196</i></b>
<i>Mileage for the month</i>	<i>Van 1 =</i>	<i>2729</i>	<i>Van 2 =</i>	<i>592</i>

**Commissioner London motioned to accept the Animal Control Monthly Report as presented. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.**

The next item was the Veteran’s May Monthly Report as prepared by Veteran’s Service Officer Larry Garrity and presented by Commissioner Lienhoop as follows:

<i>Item</i>	<i>Monthly</i>	<i>YTD</i>
<i>In Office Interviews</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>193</i>
<i>Out-of-Office Interviews</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Walk-ins</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>230</i>
<i>Incoming Phone Calls</i>	<i>350</i>	<i>1413</i>
<i>Outgoing Phone Calls</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>250</i>
<i>Outgoing Mail</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>34</i>

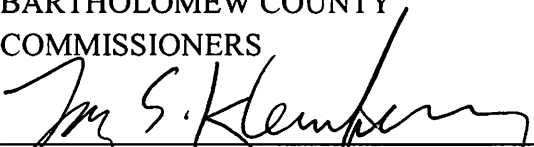
<i>Incoming Fax</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Outgoing Fax</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>50</i>
<i>Trips to VA Hospital</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>70</i>
<i>Mileage on Van</i>	<i>1303</i>	<i>6533</i>
<i>New Claims Filed</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>33</i>
<i>Veteran Disability Compensation Claims Filed</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>100</i>
<i>Veteran/Surviving Spouse Pension Claims</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Burial Appropriations</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>46</i>
<i>All Forms Filled Out for Veterans</i>	<i>129</i>	<i>650</i>
<i>Miscellaneous (see below)</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>


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

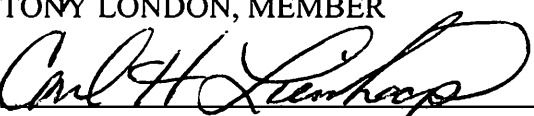
Under miscellaneous, Commissioner London introduced audience member, Zack Patchett, and announced he is running under the Democrat ticket for County Council.

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