

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
January 22, 2013

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on January 22, 2013 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Chairman Carl Lienhoop called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners Larry Kleinhenz and Rick Flohr, County Attorney J. Grant Tucker and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also in attendance. Commissioner Flohr gave the prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to approve the January 14, 2013 minutes. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The Payroll Claims were presented for approval. Commissioner Flohr made a motion to approve the Payroll Claims as presented. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permits Report from 1/14/13 to 1/18/13. Twenty-four (24) permits had been issued with a fee amount of \$8,769.00 and a valuation amount of \$1,293,359.

County Highway Technical Supervisor Stacey Gross gave the weekly crew report. Last week, they put up signs, cut trees along 750 S. east of U.S. 31, ran ditcher in Clay Township, patched roads, mowed in Jackson and German Township, picked up trash, pried open pipes and put up high water signs.

Commissioner Kleinhenz questioned the cost of renting the ditching machine. She stated that it is \$7,500 per month.

State Road 11 flooding was brought up. Commissioner Flohr will bring this up at the next Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting concerning the possibility of raising the road.

Brenda Mijares, Office Administrator for the Prosecutor's office, was present for the consideration of Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification. Ms. Mijares, explained that she comes before the Commissioners every year to report how much money is in their Equitable Sharing Agreement. This is where law enforcement will arrest someone who has money, they seize the money, the money goes to the Federal Government and they disperse it amongst law enforcement and Prosecutors in the Federal Government. Ms. Mijares asked the Commissioners to sign off on the agreement in the amount of \$2,331.66. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to sign the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification for the Prosecutor's office in the amount of \$2,331.66. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Under miscellaneous, Chairman Lienhoop reminded everyone of the retirement party for Paul Franke in the Commissioners' Chambers from 2:00 to 4:00 today. Paul served the County Government for 10 years on the County Council and for 16 years as a Commissioner.

Keith Roach, with Renner Ford, was present and distributed business cards.

Taxpayer Mike Lovelace asked about the progress of the County Annex Building replacement plans. Commissioner Lienhoop said that hopefully, by March, the Commissioners will go before the Council and would like a detailed list of all of the issues with the Annex. Mr. Lovelace asked if they could do meetings out in the County to get input from the public. Attorney Tucker stated that it was a good idea, but usually very few people show up for those types of meetings. Commissioner Lienhoop stated that he would like to have an open house at the facility and then have a meeting regarding the structure.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lienhoop at 10:24 a.m. The next Commissioners' meeting will be on Monday, January 28, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

CARL LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

RICHARD FLOHR, MEMBER

ATTEST:

BARBARA J. HACKMAN, AUDITOR