

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

October 31, 2016

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on October 31, 2016 in the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana. Commissioners Rick Flohr, Larry Kleinhenz and Carl Lienhoop were present. County Attorney J. Grant Tucker and County Auditor Barbara Hackman were also in attendance.

Chairman Flohr called the meeting to order and Commissioner Kleinhenz gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of the October 24, 2016 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Lienhoop made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Kleinhenz seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was the approval of claims. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to approve the claims. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Flohr read the New Permit Report dated 10/24/16 to 10/28/16. Thirty-four (34) permits were issued with fees collected of \$4,062 and estimated construction costs of \$10,059,069.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: patched roads; mowed in Clay and Ohio Townships; ditched along Georgetown and Deaver Roads; replaced pipe on 670E and 25W; added to pipe on 300N and 350N; put in driveway pipes along Georgetown Road, at West Pointe Addition and along 25th Street; and stoned along roads in Hawcreek Township.

Mr. Hollander also presented an agreement with **Edward Lavern Claypool** permitting placement of **drainage pipe in the county road right-of-way** and providing for the maintenance and/or removal thereof. The subject property is located at 7221 S. Sprague Road, Columbus, and more specifically described in a warranty deed recorded in the Recorder's Office as Instrument Number 199900011385. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to sign the agreement with Edward Claypool. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The Commissioners have been meeting with Hollander over the last few weeks regarding projects for next year. The anticipation of increased traffic on the Lowell Road bypass once train traffic increases has been discussed. The road will be raised about one and a half feet without the addition of culverts.

SWMD Education Coordinator Kari Spurgeon gave the **Recycling Center Report:**

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Volume Reports-August & September

Total Sale of Recyclables Revenue:
August-\$12,198.48
September-\$15,502.04

Cardboard prices are slowly creeping up from \$85 a ton to \$100 a ton from the beginning of August through September.

Total pounds of recycling (residential, commercial & satellite) were up in August - 326,777 and down in September-273,627.

Yard Waste was down in August and then back up in September.

Education Update

The landfill field trips have had over 100 students attending this fall: Ivy Tech- ag class, two private school with 5th graders & 3rd graders from Hope.

I am mentoring 3 seniors completing their Senior Projects. Projects are an electronics recycling drive, recycling drive in the town of Taylorsville & Taylorsville Elementary, and creating benches by repurposing wood palets.

Events

The movie Landfill Harmonic will be Nov. 11th at the Commons at 6:30, hosted by Déjà vu Art and Fine Craft Show. Then on Nov. 12th is the Déjà vu Art and Fine Craft Show at the Commons from 10am-4pm.

America Recycles Day & Fall Amnesty Day will be Nov. 19th from 8-3 at the Recycle Center. Residents can bring up to 4 tires, 2 cfc or refrigerant appliances & 2 propane tanks. The Barth Co Sheriff dept. will be there for a drug take back program and Speedy Shred will be available from 8-11 for document shredding.

Next, VSO Tom Crawford read the Monthly **Veterans Services Report** for September, 2016. The Veterans Office processed 15 new claimants; conducted 100 scheduled/walk-in/outside interviews; made 337 contacts by phone/mail; made 13 trips to the VA Hospital; and traveled 1,100 miles. Other events in September included Stand Down Day, POW/MIA Ceremony and the Indiana Torch Relay. Chairman Flohr motioned to accept the Monthly Veterans Report for September, 2016. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Animal Control Officer Mark Case read the Monthly **Animal Control Report** for September, 2016. There were 103 cases, 21 animals were picked up, 117 audits, 0 violations, 0 fines, 2 bite cases, 7 door hangers placed, 2 reclaimed animals, and 5 traps loaned to the public. The two vans traveled a total of 3,532 miles in September. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to accept the Monthly Animal Control Report for September, 2016. Commissioner Lienhoop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, November 7, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY
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RICHARD A. FLOHR, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

BARBARA J. HACKMAN

CARL H. LIENHOOP, MEMBER