

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

August 21, 2017

The Bartholomew County Commissioners met in regular session on August 21, 2017, 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 present.

Chairman Lienhoop called the meeting to order and gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was the approval of the Commissioners' Meeting Minutes for August 14, 2017. Commissioner Flohr 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 Flohr seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item was weekly reports. Chairman Lienhoop read the New Permit Report dated 8/14/17 to 8/18/17. Thirty-two (32) permits were issued with fees collected of \$2,190 and estimated construction costs of \$965,000.

County Engineer Danny Hollander gave the Highway Weekly Crew Report which included the following work: replaced pipes on Old Nashville Road and 850S; ditched on Karen Court; hauled cement to Southern Crossing; stoned along Lowell Road; mowed in Wayne, Harrison, and German Townships; paved at Heflen Park and at Tannehill Fishing Site; cut curb at Heflen Park, and; Milestone paved Sawmill Road.

Hollander then requested approval to give **Notice to Bidders for Rehabilitation of Bridge #39** (300N over Fall Fork) in Clifty Township. Questions should be directed to the issuing office, Strand Associates, Inc. Sealed bids will be accepted until opening at 10:00 a.m. on September 11, 2017. Commissioner Kleinhenz motioned to give notice to bidders. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously. Additionally, he presented the **title sheet for the Bridge #39** Project. Chairman Lienhoop motioned to sign the title sheet. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was a brief discussion about the future of the Newbern Bridge #26. It has been reassembled on the bank and will then be moved to its permanent residence in Lincoln Park. An interlocal agreement designates the City of Columbus as financial steward of the historic bridge from this point forward.

Bob Miller wanted to thank the Commissioners and the County for the support they provide to the veterans and for supporting the upcoming **National POW/MIA Recognition Day**. The event is set for Friday, September 15th at 6:30 p.m. at the Memorial for Veterans on the courthouse lawn. Rain would move the event to City Hall, Cal Brand Room. The day is observed annually on the third Friday of September to honor POWs/MIAs and help to provide closure for their families. Approximately 83,000 soldiers are unaccounted for since WWII. Miller was thanked for his efforts. Chairman Lienhoop motioned to recognize the event to be held at the Memorial for Veterans. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next was a request from FM 106.1 The River radio station to use the county’s parking lot between Second and Third Streets for the 21st **Annual Hot Rods and Rock and Roll Event**. The event is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 17th. Commissioner Kleinhenz made a motion to allow the use of the parking lot as a venue for the event. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Next, County Attorney Grant Tucker opened and read the bids received for the purchase of 7 new vehicles for the Sheriff’s Department. While several vendors came in to pick up bids, only one company, John Jones Auto Group, submitted bids.

<i>Bidder: John Jones Auto Group (Corydon)</i>	<i>Price perUnit</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Four (4) 2017 Dodge Charger Police Vehicle</i>	\$ 23,599	\$ 94,396
<i>One (1) 2018 Dodge Durango Special Service Vehicle</i>	\$ 28,389	\$ 28,389
<i>Two (2) 2017 Dodge Ram 1500 Crew Cab SSV</i>	\$ 28,956	\$ 57,912

Audience member Mike Lovelace questioned why only Dodge makes were solicited. One reason is for efficiency of repairs and maintenance. The vehicles being replaced are being transferred to other municipalities and county departments, and for training purposes. Chairman Lienhoop moved to accept the quotes from John Jones Auto Group for all three models. Commissioner Flohr seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

County Auditor announced closing the Auditor's Office on Tuesday, August 22nd, from 8 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. so staff may attend the arrival and procession of fallen soldier Sergeant Jonathon Hunter. Sgt. Hunter's mother is employed with the Auditor's Office.

The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Monday, August 28, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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CARL H. LIENHOOP, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

LARRY S. KLEINHENZ, MEMBER

BARBARA J. HACKMAN

RICHARD A. FLOHR, MEMBER