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**BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**January 9, 2018**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>	<b>Title:</b>	<b>Present:</b>
Matt Miller	At Large		Present
Bill Lentz	At Large		Present
Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence	At Large		Present
Chris Ogle	District 1		Not Present
Laura DeDomenic	District 2		Present
Mark Gorbett	District 3	President	Present
Jorge Morales	District 4		Present
Chris Monroe	- -	Attorney	Present
Barb Hackman	Auditor	Secretary	Present

The Bartholomew County Council met on January 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana.

Auditor Barbara J Hackman called the meeting to order.

Attorney Chris Monroe gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the election of officers for 2018. Laura DeDomenic nominated Mark Gorbett for President and Jorge Morales seconded the nomination. Jorge Morales motioned to close the nominations which was seconded by Laura DeDomenic. The vote was unanimous for Mark Gorbett as President.

President Gorbett took over the meeting. He thanked Laura DeDomenic for her work as President last year. He nominated Chris Ogle for Pro-Tem. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the nomination which passed unanimously (6-0).

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The next item on the agenda was the Consideration of the 2018 Bartholomew County Council Liaison/Members. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the list as read:

**County Extension Bd – Chris Ogle**

**Office of Emergency Management Bd – Mark Gorbett**

**Job Review/Classification Comm – Bill Lentz, Matt Miller, Evelyn S. Pence**

**Personnel Administrative Comm – Matt Miller, Bill Lentz**

**Solid Waste Management District Bd – Chris Ogle**

**Youth Services Center Advisory Comm – Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence**

**Greater Cols Economic Development Bd – Laura DeDomenic, Jorge Morales**

**County Redevelopment Commission – Jorge Morales, Laura DeDomenic**

**Joint Council of the Emergency Dispatch Services – Mark Gorbett**

**Cols Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bd – Bill Lentz**

**Sheriff Merit Board – Jorge Morales, liaison**

*(The above list are all for one (1) year terms)*

Bill Lentz seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item was the 2018 County Council Appointments. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the list as read:

**Alcoholic Beverage Commission – Phyllis Apple (1 yr. term)**

**Columbus Economic Development Commission – Roger Hackman (1 yr. term)**

**Parks & Recreation Board – Jim Mahoney (4 yr. term)**

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**Property Tax Adjustment Board of Appeals – Sandy Beatty** (*1 yr. term*)

Matt Miller seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was Consideration of an Agreement with Attorney Chris Monroe for Legal Services for the County Council for 2018. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the Agreement for Legal Services as presented. Matt Miller seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was the Consideration of an Agreement with the Greater Columbus Economic Development Board for 2018. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the Agreement for the two (2) members (*one (1) Council and one (1) Commissioner*). Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was the approval of meeting minutes for August 16, August 18, August 21, September 12, October 10 and November 14. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the minutes of the said dates with the changes as noted by Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for the Drug Free Community Fund (024) for thirty-nine-thousand two-hundred dollars (\$39,200) as presented by Larry Perkinson, BCSC Employee/Student Assistance Coordinator. Mr. Perkinson stated that the money about twenty (20) years ago was about seventy-thousand dollars (\$70,000) but has settled around the forty-thousand dollars (\$40,000) a year. The Bartholomew County Substance Abuse Council is a voluntary group that meets once a

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month. They present a half day conference for the community as well as allocating grant money. They have been receiving the money back from the State for about twenty-five (25) years. They received thirteen (13) grant requests. They granted twelve (12) and found alternative funding for the other one (1). The total of the requests were thirty-eight-thousand nine-hundred-seventy-three dollars (\$38,973). The funding they receive comes from user fees, not Federal, State or Local funds. Mark Weber, of the Republic, asked if there had ever been any Federal funding for this. Mr. Perkinson stated that as far as he knows, there had never been any Federal funds. The agenda shows a higher number. It was explained that was an advertising number as they now have the actual numbers. Laura DeDomenic made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was the Request for an Additional Appropriation for the Prosecutor (001-08) in the amount of thirty-six-thousand seven-hundred-seventy-two dollars (\$36,772) as presented by Brenda Mijares, Office Manager of the Prosecutor's Office. Manager Mijares stated that the money is for the approved additional staff member salary. Bill Lentz made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was the Request for an Additional Appropriation for the Indiana Prosecuting Attorney's Council (IPAC) (732) in the amount of three-thousand nine-hundred-fifty-six dollars and twenty-three cents (\$3,956.23) as presented by Brenda Mijares, Office Manager of the Prosecutor's Office. Manager Mijares stated that this is

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the second year to receive funds for this. They have received this money. They purchase equipment for the JNET. Laura DeDomenic made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was the Request for an Additional Appropriation for the Bartholomew County Local Health Department Partners Project Fund (540) for the amount of twenty-five-thousand dollars (\$25,000) as presented by Auditor Hackman. This is a joint effort through Emergency Management by Director Shannon Hinton and the Health Department by the Local Health Director Mindy Baker. This money will be for training of up to thirty (30) people to be trained as First Responders for major emergencies or disasters. They will be focusing on public health issues. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence made a motion to approve the request as granted. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for the LIT Public Safety (117) in the amount of one-million nine-hundred-thirty-one-thousand eighty dollars (\$1,931,080) as requested by Auditor Hackman. This is the new fund for the new Public Safety Local Income Tax that was approved last year. This amount will be used to pay the entire budget of the Youth Services Center (\$1,611,080) as well as the shortfall of the E911 Center. Mark Weber asked if this would wipe out the deficit from the 2018 budget. This will take care of the one-million six-hundred-thousand dollars that was the shortfall of the 2018 budget. The total amount should be around two-million dollars of which the remainder will be set aside for future use. Rob Kittle (*in the audience*) asked if

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it would be the Council's plan to pay the Youth Services Center out of this fund in the future. Laura DeDomenic explained that for accounting purposes it was easier to use an entire department instead of a portion of say the Sheriff's Department. Jorge Morales stated that Lisa Deaton had asked in the past where the additional money would be going to. He stated that this is part of that money. Lisa Deaton (*in the audience*) stated she just wanted to see some sort of plan in place. Mark Weber simply asked the Council to continue to indulge people with their questions in this new endeavor. Matt Miller made a motion to approve the request as presented. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Modification of the 2018 Youth Services Center Salary Ordinance for the change that was just made regarding their budget. This was presented by Auditor Hackman and will move their salaries from the 001 General Fund to the 117 LIT Public Safety Fund. Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the request. Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

The next item was a request for clarification of the Certification Pay for the County Assessor/Deputy Assessor. Auditor Hackman stated that it needs to be separated out stating that attainment of Deputy Assessor Level II will receive five-hundred dollars (\$500) and attainment of Deputy Assessor Level III will receive one-thousand five-hundred dollars (\$1,500). Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the request as presented. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence seconded the motion which passed unanimously (6-0).

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The next item on the agenda was a Report on Purdue Extension Health & Human Sciences Programs as presented by Harriet Armstrong, Health & Human Sciences Educator. She presented a handout from Kris Medic. She read comments from Director Elisabeth Smith. Four (4) students will partake in a trip to a “minimal” village. This was made possible through a local grant that was received. They will be learning about food safety and security. Director Smith will be undergoing training regarding how to train parents to parent. Ms. Armstrong stated that she is continuing to train Dining with Diabetes. She had several other items listed on her handout. Also listed are places that she is at on a regular basis.

The next items on the agenda were updates by the Council members regarding Boards and Commissions as follows:

- **Matt Miller:**

Personnel Administrative Committee – nothing to report

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

- **Laura DeDomenic:**

Liaison to Health Bd – reviewed 2018 budget

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – nothing to report

Columbus Economic Development Bd – She and Jorge attended the meeting. They had information regarding of what had been done last years.

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Laura DeDomenic noted that the Decatur County Prosecutor is looking for someone to attend a meeting regarding a Committee the Attorney General is assembling.

- **Jorge Morales:**

County Plan Commission – tomorrow morning – may not be able to attend

Liaison to Sheriff's Merit Bd – nothing to report

Cols Economic Development Bd – nothing to report

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – had first meeting –

officers stayed the same with Jorge as President, Dan Arnholt as Vice-President &

Greg Pence as Secretary.

- **Mark Gorbett:**

Emergency Management Bd – nothing to report

Emergency Dispatch Services – Talked with Director Noblitt – employees

very happy with the cleanup of the salaries.

Community Corrections Bd – nothing to report

Data Board – staff in place – nothing to report

Drug Epidemic Committee – nothing to report

- **Bill Lentz:**

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Personnel Administrative Committee – nothing to report

Cols Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bd – nothing to report



Bill Lentz asked if it was too late to sign up for the AIC meeting.

- **Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence:**

County Parks & Recreation Bd – Turned thirty-nine-thousand nine-hundred-eleven dollars (\$39,911) from the concessions for 2017. Dunn Stadium was broken into and two crock-pots valued at ten dollars (\$10) each were taken.

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Youth Services Center Advisory Committee – 100% with the new Juvenile Detention Facility Standards.

JDAI – nothing to report

Affordable Housing Meeting – nothing to report

Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked if the Sheriff had implemented the twenty-five (25) years cap for longevity. There was a brief discussion regarding how the longevity has worked and how they want it to work.

- **Chris Ogle:**

Solid Waste Management District Bd – Not present

Auditor Hackman has registered Matt and Laura for the AIC Legislative Conference. She will register Bill for this as well. Also, the Soil & Water Annual Meeting is February 1. They will have Randy Ollis as the guest speaker.

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Erin Anderson (*in the audience*) introduced herself as the new Economic Development and Community Outreach Director for Camp Atterbury.

Jorge Morales made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Laura DeDomenic and passed unanimously.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Gorbett, President

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Ogle, Pro-Tem

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bill Lentz, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jorge Morales, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura DeDomenic, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Matt Miller, Member

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara J. Hackman, Auditor  
Bartholomew County