

**BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**April 9, 2019**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>	<b>Title:</b>	<b>Present:</b>
Matt Miller	At Large	President	Present
Bill Lentz	At Large	Pro-Tem	Present
Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence	At Large		Present
R. Scott Bonnell	District 1		Present
Laura DeDomenic	District 2		Present
Mark E. Gorbett	District 3		Present
Jorge R. Morales	District 4		Present
Chris Monroe	- -	Attorney	Present
Pia O'Connor	Auditor	Secretary	Present

The Bartholomew County Council met on April 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana.

President Matt Miller called the meeting to order.

Bill Lentz gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of meeting minutes of March 12, 2019. **Jorge R. Morales made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Mark Gorbett seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for the Lead & Healthy Home Grant (9209) in the amount of \$10,000 as presented by Director of Nursing Amanda Organist. This is a Grant that will provide lead screenings for children at outreach locations such as schools, daycares and others. They do not have a number as to how many kids this will affect. In 2018 they performed 159 screenings at the

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Department location. **Laura DeDomenic made a motion to approve \$10,000 Grant for lead testing in children as requested. Jorge R. Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was the Request for an Additional Appropriation for Health Trust Fund (1206) in the amount of \$3,000 as presented by Director of Nursing Amanda Organist. **Bill Lentz made a motion to approve the Health Trust Fund in the amount of \$3,000 as presented. R. Scott Bonnell seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was the Request for an Additional Appropriation for Veteran's Treatment Court Fees (9108) in the amount of \$2,000 as presented by Director of Community Corrections Brad Barnes. Director Barnes stated that this request is to appropriate money from a user fees account. They have identified a need for training that these funds will go towards. The fund has a total \$5,506.19. The training is in Maryland. With other funding, they were able to send almost the entire Drug Court. This funding will send a couple of people from the Veteran's Court. **Jorge R. Morales made a motion to approve the appropriation of \$2,000 as presented. Mark E. Gorbett seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).** Director Barnes noted that there will be a Graduation of 4 veterans from the Veteran's Court program on this Thursday at 1 p.m. in Superior Court 1 that is open to the public. It will be about a half hour program followed by refreshments.

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The next item on the agenda was the Request for an Additional Appropriation for a Court Interpreter Grant (8919) in the amount of \$2,000 as presented by Bobbie Shake of Circuit Court. This will be for certified interpreters. Attorney Monroe stated it is a legal requirement to have interpreters available. **Mark E. Gorbett made a motion to approve the request for the \$2,000 Court Interpreter Grant as presented. Jorge R. Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was the Request for an Additional Appropriation for a Body Scanner for the Jail (1114-32) in the amount of \$180,000 as presented by Chief Deputy Chris Lane of the Sheriff's Department. Mark E. Gorbett wanted to clarify that it would be purchased out of the LIT Funds that are taxpayer dollars. The Sheriff's Department will pay \$50,000 from the Commissary Fund and the remaining \$130,000 will come from the LIT – Correctional Facility. The amount on the agenda was based on the total cost that they thought was all coming from the LIT – Correctional Facility funds. **Jorge R Morales made a motion to approve the request for \$130,000 from the LIT – Correctional Facility funds for the Body Scanner for the jail as presented. Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion.** Jorge R Morales asked if they were going to scan everyone. Sheriff Myers stated that they are writing the procedures at this time. Matt Miller is concerned about using radiation on people but has talked with other Sheriff's and jails and agrees it is needed. Mark Gorbett agrees with those comments and asked about the time frame. Chief Deputy Lane stated that they would have to have bids brought before the Commissioners so it will be a few months down the road. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence

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asked about having a dog in the jail for drugs. The Sheriff's Department is currently down a dog at this time but they do utilize their dogs and they have used the CPD dogs when they had suspicions. Mark Weber asked if Community Corrections could utilize the body scanner. It was stated that the Community Corrections staff will be trained in its use. **The vote was called for and passed unanimously (7-0).** Mark Gorbett wanted to clarify the SRI contract for Sheriff Sales. He believes they will need an amendment to the salary ordinance in regards to the Sheriff's pension funding. It is not a salary ordinance, it is an ordinance through the Commissioners that does need to have the amounts modified.

The next item on the agenda was the Request for a Transfer of Funds in the amount of \$3,333.33 for Court Services/REALM (1000-42) as presented by Community Corrections Director Brad Barnes. Director Barnes stated that this is a monthly amount that they pay for contractual services between the REALM Program and CenterStone. This is a transfer from the 100's (salaries) to the 300's (professional services). **Mark E. Gorbett made a motion to approve the request for the Transfer of \$3,333.33 as presented.** Jorge R. Morales asked why it was coming from the 100's and not another fund. Director Barnes stated that is where they have available money. **Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was the Request for a Transfer of Funds in the amount of \$500,000 from the General Fund (1000) to the Rainy Day Fund (1186) as presented by Auditor Pia O'Connor. **Jorge R. Morales made a motion to approve the request for the Transfer of \$500,000 from County General (1000) to the Rainy Day Fund (1186)**

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**as presented. R. Scott Bonnell seconded the motion.** Mark Weber asked what the balance in the Rainy Day Fund would be after this transfer. Auditor O'Connor stated that it would be approximately \$4.5 million dollars. **The vote was called for and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).**

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

**R. Scott Bonnell:**

County Extension Bd – nothing to report

Solid Waste Management District Bd – nothing to report

Health Bd – nothing to report

**Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence:**

County Parks & Recreation Bd – Toyota is going to adopt Dunn Stadium.

They will assist in projects at the Stadium to help maintain it. Last year was a bad weather year as far as rain and yet they brought in \$27,590 for the year.

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Youth Services Center Advisory Committee – nothing to report

JDAI – nothing to report

Affordable Housing Meeting – nothing to report

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**Bill Lentz:**

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

Personnel Administrative Committee – nothing to report

Cols Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Bd – nothing to report

**Matt Miller:**

Personnel Administrative Committee – not present

Job Review/Classification Committee – not present

**Jorge R. Morales:**

County Plan Commission – tomorrow morning

Sheriff's Merit Bd – The actuarial consultant stated that we have one of the best plans in the State.

Cols Economic Development Bd – nothing to report

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – noted the next meeting will be April 23, 2019 to discuss the possible expansion of the TIF District

**Laura DeDomenic:**

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Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – pursuing expanding the Northern TIF District. They agreed on an area to have drawn up for the next meeting.

Greater Columbus Economic Development Bd – they do have someone interested in the Meadow Lawn Property up north.

ASAP – nothing to report

**Mark E. Gorbett:**

Emergency Management Bd – Joint Council will have a meeting on April 18 to discuss the proposals of additional staff.

Jt Council Emergency Dispatch Services – nothing to report

Community Corrections Bd – nothing to report

Data Board – nothing to report

Drug Epidemic Committee – nothing to report

**Laura DeDomenic made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark E. Gorbett which passed unanimously (7-0).**

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Matt Miller, President

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bill Lentz, Pro-Tem

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
R. Scott Bonnell, Member

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

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

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Laura DeDomenic, Member

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark E. Gorbett, Member

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pia O'Connor, Auditor  
Bartholomew County