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**BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**September 10, 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 September 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Governmental Office Building, 440 Third Street, Columbus, Indiana.

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

President Matt Miller called the meeting to order.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of meeting minutes of the August Budget Hearings and the August 13, 2019 meeting. This was tabled until the next meeting.

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for the LIT Correctional Facility (1114-32-04-40) in the amount of \$24,889.00 as presented by Jail Commander John Martoccia and Sheriff Matt Myers. This is the final payment for the security system at the Jail. **Jorge Morales made a motion to approve the**

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**request as presented. Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for the LIT Correctional Facility (1114-32-02-20) in the amount of \$120,000 as presented by Sheriff Matt Myers. This money is for the utilities as this is the first year that the Jail utilities have been paid out of this fund. Previously, they were combined with the other County buildings and paid out of the General Fund by the Maintenance Department. Annually the numbers are about \$340,000 per year based on previous year's figures. **Jorge R Morales made a motion to approve the request as presented. Mark Gorbett seconded the motion.** Auditor O'Connor stated that they can break out the utilities next year so they have a better understanding of the numbers. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence asked if there were funds they could transfer. It was explained that this is existing LIT money, not County General funds. **The vote was called for and passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for the County General Sheriff (1005-05-03-11) in the amount of \$20,000 as presented by Sheriff Matt Myers. This additional money is for the attorney. They have money in the Jail fund but cannot transfer it to the Sheriff fund. Sheriff Myers recommended having a line item in the Jail funds for attorney fees. Laura DeDomenic asked if the attorney could split up the invoices. Auditor O'Connor suggested doing that going forward for 2020.

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**Mark E Gorbett made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge R Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for the Adult Probation User Fees (2000) in the amount of \$3,600 as presented by Community Corrections Director Brad Barnes. This money is for a vest for a field officer and some training. The vest is for a new employee and each vest is fitted to the individual. They run about \$600. The remaining \$3,000 is for training. **Jorge R Morales made a motion to approve the request as presented. Bill Lentz seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for Adult Protective Services (8900) for Grant Years 18/19 and 19/20 in the amount of \$350 for each year as presented by Auditor O'Connor. This is due to the request last month being advertised less than the total amount. **Laura DeDomenic made a motion to approve the request as presented. Mark E Gorbett seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was a Request for an Additional Appropriation for Statewide 911 (1222) in the amount of \$73,717.00 as presented by Auditor O'Connor. This is for the two positions that were approved during the 2020 Budget Hearings. **Mark E Gorbett made a motion to approve the request as presented. Jorge R Morales seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

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The next item on the agenda was a request to utilize the open Health Officer position and move it to an Inspector position as presented by Environmental Health Director Link Fulp. They are just transferring funds from the Administrator’s salary for the remainder of this year to hire another inspector. It was clarified that this is a request to approve the position being created. **Jorge R Morales made a motion to approve the request as presented. Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion. Director Fulp would also like to lower the “low” end to 90% of the “high” end. The new low amount would be \$22.52/hour or \$1,846 per pay period. Mark E Gorbett made a motion to lower the “low” end of the position. Jorge Morales seconded the motion which both motions passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was the First Reading of the 2020 Bartholomew County Budget and Salary Ordinance. Auditor O’Connor read the 2020 Proposed Budget as follow:

Department	#	Sub #	County General	Other Funds	LIT	LIT Public Safety	LIT Correctional
Clerk	1000	01	\$429,884				
Auditor	1000	02	\$462,304				
Treasurer	1000	03	\$230,634				
Recorder	1000	04	\$168,820				
Sheriff	1000	05	\$4,629,830				
Surveyor	1000	06	\$371,070				
Coroner	1000	07	\$122,073				
Prosecutor	1000	08	\$697,386				

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Assessor	1000	09	\$256,237				
Code Enforcement	1000	11	\$513,717				
Emergency Management Office	1000	18	\$202,229				
Surveyor - Drainage Board	1000	19	\$9,300				
Clerk - Voter's Registration	1000	22	\$83,151				
Cooperative Extension	1000	23	\$254,629				
Park Board	1000	25	\$296,027				
Veteran's Services	1000	27	\$135,375				
Weights & Measures	1000	28	\$53,050				
Council	1000	29	\$118,093				
Commissioners	1000	30	\$9,573,555				
Maintenance	1000	31	\$1,170,706				
E911 - Operations Center	1000	33	\$231,331				
Community Corrections - YSC	1000	34	\$1,685,439				
Community Corrections - Court Services	1000	35	\$574,499				
Court - Circuit	1000	36	\$658,433				
Court - Superior I	1000	37	\$422,599				
Court - Superior II	1000	38	\$530,089				
Court - Circuit Court IV-D	1000	39	\$72,376				
Prosecutor - Prosecutor IV-D	1000	40	\$622,306				
Information Technology	1000	41	\$1,857,375				
Council - ASAP	1000	42	\$543,718				
Court - ASAP Drug Court	1000	42	\$297,565				
Jail - ASAP	1000	42	\$114,995				
Soil & Water	1000	44	\$96,655				

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Commissioners - CEDIT	1112				\$3,233,000		
Sheriff - Jail	1114						\$4,918,097
Clerk - Clerk's Perpetuation	1119			\$76,156			
VIP	1127			\$1,443,100			
Assessor - Sales Disclosure	1131			\$11,770			
Highway - Cumulative Bridge	1135			\$1,600,000			
EMA - LEPC	1152			\$15,018			
Health Department	1159			\$1,716,369			
Recorder - Security Protection	1160			\$20,000			
Health - Local Health Maintenance	1168			\$48,859			
Highway - Local Roads & Streets	1169			\$741,332			
LIT - Public Safety	1170					\$0	
Sheriff - Misdemeanant	1175			\$0			
Highway	1176			\$3,656,549			
Recorder - Recorder's Perpetuation	1189			\$137,085			
Auditor - Riverboat	1191			\$0			
Surveyor - Cornerstone Perpetuation	1202			\$44,415			
Health - Indiana Local Health Trust.	1206			\$34,636			
Clerk - Election Board	1215			\$258,227			
Auditor - Elected Officials Training	1217			\$15,000			
E911 - Statewide 911	1222			\$2,564,258			
Assessor - Reassessment	1224			\$485,629			
Community Corrections - Adult Probation	2000			\$321,248			
Community Corrections - Juvenile Probation	2150			\$6,947			
Community Corrections - Alcohol/Drug Prog	2501			\$144,641			

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Prosecutor - Pre-Trial Diversion	2503			\$99,917			
Community Corrections - Inf Adj/Juv Prob	2504			\$0			
Auditor - Debt Service	4600			\$1,990,700			
Auditor - Employee Trust Account	4700			\$0			
Court - Public Defender - Sup II	4903			\$46,179			
Auditor - Telecommunications	7351			\$0			
Health - Public Health Preparedness	8891			\$22,964			
Prosecutor - Prosecutor IV-D Incentive	8896			\$43,924			
Clerk - Clerk IV-D Incentive	8899			\$28,619			
Prosecutor - Victims of Crime Acts (VOCA)	8921			\$87,554			
Community Corrections - RSAT WRAP Grant	9103			\$79,874			
Community Corrections - RSAT REALM Grant	9206			\$94,121			
Community Corrections - Adult Drug Trtmt Ct	9207			\$124,259			
<b>Grand Totals:</b>			<b>\$27,485,450</b>	<b>\$15,959,349</b>	<b>\$3,233,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,918,097</b>
			<b>County General</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>LIT</b>	<b>LIT Public Safety</b>	<b>LIT Correctional</b>
						<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$51,595,896</b>

Mark E Gorbett asked about the prison Matron position. Council Attorney Chris Monroe stated that the Sheriff has the Statutory authority to hire a Matron. The job description is not the same as the description of the past. The Statute goes on to say that position is to be paid the same as “someone”, but is unclear as to what position that “someone” is. The Statute description states that the Matron deals with juvenile boys, but that is not even an item as juveniles are no longer housed by the Sheriff. They can

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approve the reading tonight and then discuss it before the next reading. The meeting was opened for the public hearing. Hearing no comments, the public hearing was closed.

**Jorge E Morales made a motion to approve on the First Reading as presented.**

**Laura DeDomenic seconded the motion which passed unanimously (7-0).**

The next item on the agenda was the First Reading of the 2020 Bartholomew County Solid Waste Management District Budget as read by SWMD Director Heather Siesel. Director Siesel discussed the changes in their budget. For Personal Services (100) the 2020 amount is \$1,103,129; for Supplies the 2020 amount is \$84,000; for Other Services and Charges the 2020 amount is \$1,978,500; and for Capital Outlay the 2020 amount is \$294,300 for a total 2020 Budget of \$3,459,929. Overall, it is just shy of \$500,000 lower than last year. **Laura DeDomenic made a motion to approve on the First Reading as presented. Scott R Bonnell seconded the motion.** Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence questioned about the Loyalty pay. Director Siesel stated that it is included. Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence stated she was against the Loyalty Pay and Longevity. The meeting was opened for the Public Hearing. **The vote was called for and passed (6-1) with Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence as the dissenting vote.**

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

**R. Scott Bonnell:**

*County Extension Bd* – review of what had been done during the year.



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Solid Waste Management District Bd – nothing to report

Health Bd – nothing to report

**Evelyn Strietelmeier Pence:**

County Parks & Recreation Bd – met with the Visitor’s Center to discuss upcoming projects for the Parks.

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

**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 Commissioner Kleinhenz about the interest rate for the Highway Garage Bond issue. He had heard it would be from 1% to 2%. Commissioner Kleinhenz stated the rate was 2.009%. It was asked if this bond had a callable option. It is not believed that it does but if it did it would be very costly to pay it off early.

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**Matt Miller:**

Personnel Administrative Committee – nothing to report

Job Review/Classification Committee – nothing to report

**Jorge R. Morales:**

County Plan Commission – approved a set of new regulations.

Sheriff's Merit Bd – reviewed regulations regarding the Board and a special committee within the Board that is reviewing applications.

Cols Economic Development Bd – nothing to report

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – nothing to report

**Laura DeDomenic:**

Bartholomew County Redevelopment Commission – vote for additional TIF area in German Township on the 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in this Council Chambers.

Greater Columbus Economic Development Bd – nothing to report

ASAP – nothing to report

**Mark E. Gorbett:**

Emergency Management Bd – nothing to report

Jt Council Emergency Dispatch Services – nothing to report

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Community Corrections Bd – nothing to report

Data Board – nothing to report

Drug Epidemic Committee – nothing to report

**Auditor O'Connor:**

Auditor O'Connor stated that the Work Session for October is scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup> and the actual meeting for October 8<sup>th</sup>. She asked if they wanted to cancel the Work Session or move it to the 30<sup>th</sup> of September. It was decided to move the Work Session to Monday, September 30, 2019.

**Council Attorney Monroe:**

– nothing to report

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

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

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

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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R. Scott Bonnell, Member

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

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

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

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

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