

CASS COUNTY COUNCIL

JULY 15, 2011

The Cass County Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were James David, Ralph Anderson, George Stebbins, Brian Reed, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Absent were Grover Bishop, Brent Kelley and Jeff LeDonne. Brian Reed led with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. Acting President Brian Reed then turned the meeting over to the Auditor for re-organization.

ORGANIZATION

The Auditor requested nominations for President, Brian Reed was nominated. James David made a motion to elect Brian Reed as President for the remaining 2011 year, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Auditor requested nominations for Vice President, George Stebbins was nominated. James David made a motion to elect George Stebbins as Vice president for the remaining 2011 year, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried with three aye votes and one nay from Ralph Anderson. The Auditor turned the meeting back to Council President Brian Reed.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Brian Reed appointed himself, George Stebbins and Ralph Anderson to the budget committee for the 2012 budget.

MINUTES

Ralph Anderson requested that the minutes be amended, the passage under the heading of Cass County Historical Society referring to a previous meeting to be struck. The Auditor will remove the passage from the minutes. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONALS

Lisa Swaim appeared before the Council for the approval of the additional appropriations requested by the Prosecutor's office. The amount requested was \$21,000.00. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Council with his request for additional funds. The Sheriff requested \$50,000.00 for Garage & Motor. This covers repairs and maintenance of vehicles and fuel. Ralph Anderson made a motion to appropriate \$10,000 from the Public Safety fund and \$40,000.00 from County General fund, James David seconded. The motion carried unanimously. A request was made for an additional \$5,000.00 for travel. The travel account is used for deputy training and additional education classes for the deputies. Ralph Anderson made a motion to appropriate the money from County General fund, George Stebbins seconded. \$7,000.00 was requested by the Sheriff for other supplies, the Sheriff will be using this to offset the cost of bullet proof vests. James David made a motion to appropriate this money from the County General fund, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Sheriff also requested \$8,000.00 for Contractual Services. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve this additional from the County General fund, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Sheriff's last request was for \$8,868.00, this money will be used along with insurance money to replace a sheriff car that was totaled earlier in the year. It was discussed that this should have been advertised out of Cumulative Capitol fund. The request will be re-advertised before the next meeting. Ralph Anderson made a motion to table the request until it has been re-advertised, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Jill Rife informed the Council that the Sheriff's department was being very frugal with the use of patrol cars after hours. The whole Sheriff's department is aware that fuel costs are up and the need to conserve fuel is crucial to their operation.

Sheriff Pryor presented his monthly report to the Council:

PRISONER BOOKINGS	159
PRISONER RELEASED	170
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	2,244
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	13,803
OFFICER PATROL MILES	33,620
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	88
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	190
TOTAL CITATIONS	234
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	7
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	43
WARRANTS SERVED	33
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	46
PROPERTY DAMAGE	36
PERSONAL INJURY	10
FATALITIES	0
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	95
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,825
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	870

The Sheriff informed the Council he may have to request additional monies for his medical account at a later date.

Cass County Commissioner Dave Arnold appeared before the Council for his request for additional funds. The amount being requested is \$59,747.00 to replace the roof on building at 520 High Street. Ralph Anderson made a motion to allow the additional from the Cumulative Capitol fund, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Vaneen Ide made a request for \$1,209.20 to be appropriated from County General fund. This money had been returned to County General and noted as a dormant fund. A claim was filed and paid in error and was noted in the exit conference with State Board of Accounts. State Board of Accounts suggested that this be corrected. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request for the additional out of County General fund, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

TRANSFER

The Cass County Treasurer requested a transfer of funds. The amount of \$2,000.00 to be transferred from deputy account 13000-003 to extra help account 18001-003. George Stebbins made a motion to approve the transfer from deputy account 13000-003 to extra help account 18001-003, James David seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

VERIFICATION FORM

There was a provision in Senate Bill 590, known as the immigration Law, which requires the State Board of Accounts to provide a form by rule. Rule making is a timely process and could not be completed prior to the July 1 effective date of this bill. State Board of Accounts forwards a form on to the counties to adopt until something better is designed. Attorney John Hillis approved the form for our counties use. George Stebbins made a motion to approve the form for use in Cass County, James David seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

FIRE DISTRICT

Sherman Kantzer appeared before the Council with a request to spend the remaining CEDIT monies loaned to them last year. The Fire District had their vote for Cumulative Capitol fund pass on July 14th and will have the Public Hearing on July 18th at the Commissioners meeting. The remaining CEDIT funds would be spent to outfit a truck for grass fires. The remaining fund balance is \$6,081.24; this and the profits from the sale of a vehicle no longer being used should cover the expense. James David made a motion to approve the use of the remaining CEDIT funds, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments. Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Brian Reed, President

George Stebbins Vice President

Ralph Anderson

James David

Brent Kelley

Grover Bishop

Jeff LeDonne

ATTEST: _____

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor

