

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OCTOBER 1, 2012

The Cass County Commissioners met in the Commissioner Hearing Room at 1:00 p.m. Present were Dave Arnold, Gene Powlen, Jim Sailors, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide.

Judge Burns requested that the Commissioners please allow him to be placed first on the agenda, due to a heavy court calendar. The request was granted.

CIRCUIT COURT

Judge Burns appeared before the Commissioners with a request to fill two full time positions at the Family Opportunity Center, Director and Controller. Jim Sailors made a motion to allow the request for two full time positions, Director and Controller, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the claims and payroll as submitted, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. Bennett and Lynda Kennedy appeared before the Commissioners and gave their monthly report. Total vaccinations for the month of September were 749 with 386 patients seen. There have been 13 new complaints filed; most are septic failures, METH and lead cases. Lynda has been working with the Local Health Maintenance grant application for 2013. Lynda is also working with the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator on the 2013 preparedness grant requirements. A part-time medical assistant has been hired and will start in October.

Dr. Bennett requested permission from the Commissioners to replace a full time Environmentalist. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the hiring of a full time Environmentalist, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT VEHICLE BIDS

The bids for the vehicles for the Cass County Health Department were opened by Attorney John Hillis. The following bids were read:

Mike Anderson Auto Group
4301 East Market Street
Logansport, IN 46947
2013 Equinox LS with trade

20,792.36

Dellen Automotive
2527 W. Main Street
Greenfield, IN 46140
2013 Fleet Jeep Patriot with trade

16,929.00

Alt. Bid

2013 Dodge Caravan Fleet with trade

20,340.00

Mike Anderson Chrysler Dodge
417 S. 3rd Street
Logansport, IN 46947
2012 Dodge Caravan with trade

22,839.20

2012 Dodge Caravan SE

19,775.20

Bloomington Ford (6 bids all with trade)
2200 S. Walnut Street
Bloomington, IN 46947

2013 Fleet Connect Wagon

19,874.98

2013 Dodge Caravan

19,356.25

2013 Chevrolet Equinox

19,975.61

2013 Ford Escape

17,847.44

2013 Jeep Compass

17,475.25

2013 Jeep Patriot

16,414.25

Jim Sailors made a motion to take all bids under advisement, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Ray Eber appeared before the Commissioners with the Highway Departments monthly report. CCHD assisted with cleanup of the Wabash River Bank along the south River Road near Georgetown. Grinding of roads continues in anticipation of resurfacing next year. The roads will be monitored for dust, and dust control will be applied if needed when the grinding work concludes. Re-striping of selected roads in Cass County will be taking place over the next month. Approximately 8 miles of roadway are scheduled for striping.

Ray requested permission to fill a full time truck driver vacancy. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the request to fill the full time truck driver vacancy, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ray also presented an ordinance amending Title 7, Chapter 71, Schedule 4, Section 3 of the Cass County code, stop sign at the intersection of CR 700E stops for CR 325S. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the ordinance amending Title 7, Chapter 71, Schedule 4, Section 3 of the Cass County code, establishing a stop sign at intersection CR 700E stops for CR 325S, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

I.T.

Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners and presented I.T. 's monthly report. I.T. is busy with the upcoming election. The ballot is now completed, the equipment is ready and has been tested and ballots have been printed and mailed out. Absentee voting begins October 8th. Dusty prepped the new time sheets for 2013 and I.T. will schedule a plan to have them disbursed. Denise Stuckey from 39 Degrees North contacted the I.T. Department regarding a Data Exchange agreement with the state. The Prosecutor's office bought new Westlaw legal software that the I.T. department will install on several machines in the prosecutor's office.

Cj presented a Data Exchange Agreement to the Commissioners for their approval. The County will be reimbursed \$2,000.00 per year. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the agreement, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PARK DEPARTMENT

Lucas Beach appeared before the Commissioners with the Park Departments monthly report. The Park has started a new program that allows campers to work off their camping fees by volunteering their time. Many of the trails are being remarked with better signage. The put-put golf course is also being repaired.

TREASURER

No one appeared.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Arin Shaver appeared before the Commissioners with an ordinance to amend the Cass County Zoning Map. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the ordinance to amend the Cass County Zoning Map, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Arin also presented information for the designation of the River Road. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

A request from the American Planning Association was submitted to the Planning Department, Arin presented the request to the Commissioners, and the request was for a GIS map of Logansport. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the request, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

LUCERNE LIONS CLUB

Dirk Raderstorf appeared before the Commissioners with a request for a road closure for November 2nd of 2013 for a 5k run/walk. The closure is requested from 150 W on St.Rd 16 to 900 N.

Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the road closure, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

Tamara Ogle with the County Extension Office appeared before the Commissioners and informed them of an education program being hosted by Cass County on October 15th.

Bill Bauman appeared and informed the Commissioners that the improvements continue at France Park, he is very pleased with how things are progressing.


Gene Powlen made a motion to adjourn, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Dave Arnold, President



Jim Sailors, Vice President



Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor