

**CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AUGUST 20, 2012**

The Cass County Commissioners met in the Commissioner Hearing Room at 6:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Gene Powlen, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Dave Arnold opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**AMEND AGENDA**

A motion was made by Dave Arnold to amend the agenda to include declaring the four County Ambulances as surplus property, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES**

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

**CLAIMS & PAYROLL**

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

**SHERIFF**

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly report for July:

PRISONER BOOKINGS	197
PRISONERS RELEASED	183
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	1,266
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	10,349
OFFICER PATROL MILES	31,559
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	77
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	123
OWI ARRESTS	6
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	56
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	36
PROPERTY DAMAGE	31
PERSONAL INJURY	5
FATALITIES	0
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	105

CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,612
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	874

Sheriff Pryor also requested permission to replace one full time deputy and one part-time jailor. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the request, Jim Sailor seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Sheriff Pryor announced the retirement of Tom Wallace, Tom has served Cass County since 1977; he became a full time deputy in 1979. Gene Powlen extended Tom his best wishes.

#### **SRI**

Dave Wichlinski appeared before the Commissioners to present information pertaining to invalid homesteads. SRI will pursue individuals with questionable homesteads in Cass County. If they are found to be invalid, up to three years of back taxes can be collected for Cass County. There is no fee for this service, but SRI will collect 30% of the taxes that are collected for the service. Attorney John Hillis will review the contract. Dave Arnold made a motion to take the contract under advisement, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **FOUR COUNTY COUNSELING CENTER**

Cj Davis appeared before the Commissioners to introduce himself and thank Cass County for the dollars that they provide to Four County. Four County Counseling Center is made up of Cass, Pulaski, Miami and Fulton counties. Cass has the largest percentage of clients that are served by Four County.

#### **MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

David Ameen appeared before the Commissioners and gave his report on the status of Memorial Hospital. Gene Powlen requested Mr. Ameen submit a written report.

#### **VISITOR BUREAU**

Toni Savini with the Cass County Visitors Bureau appeared before the Commissioners. Ms. Savini presented the Commissioners with a written report of expenditures. The Cass County Visitor Bureau assisted Logan's Landing with the new signage for the Fourth Street project. One of the signs is located on Fourth Street and the corner of the Cass County Jail.

#### **REGION IV WORKFORCE**

Roger Feldhouse appeared before the Commissioners. Mr. Feldhouse reported the facts and figures of the Region IV Workforce and introduced Arden Cramer, John Hipskind, Terri Simon and Renee Rush. All are affiliated with Region IV. Deb Sheets introduced Chris Goldsberry. Chris presented his success story and how Workforce helped him change his life.

#### **SURPLUS PROPERTY**

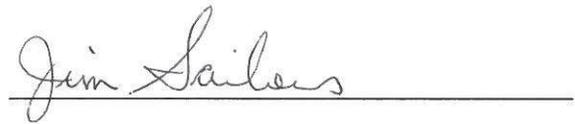
The Cass County Commissioners declared the four ambulances owned by the county as surplus property. Jim Sailors made a motion to declare the four ambulances surplus, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN**

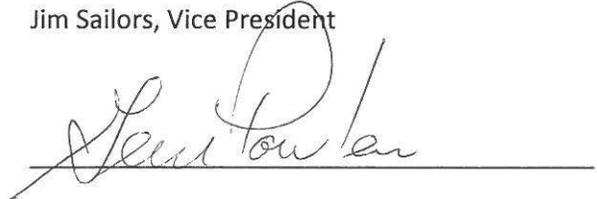
There were no public comments. Gene Powlen made a motion to adjourn, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Dave Arnold, President



Jim Sailors, Vice President



Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor