

## **CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**JANUARY 17, 2012**

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

### **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 his monthly report and a yearly report for the Commissioners. For the month of December:

PRISONER BOOKINGS	120
PRISONERS RELEASED	142
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	1,373
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	13,645
OFFICER PATROL MILES	31,226
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	77
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	97
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	8
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	33
TOTAL COLLISIONS	64
PROPERTY DAMAGE COLLISIONS	57
PERSONAL INJURY COLLISIONS	7
TOTAL FATALITIES	0
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	103
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,637
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	735

Sheriff Pryor presented the Commissioners with a report of year for 2011:

PRISONER BOOKINGS	2,032
PRISONERS RELEASED	2,019

MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	38,491
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	161,845
OFFICER PATROL MILES	392,305
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	1,569
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	1,421
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	77
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	353
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	581
PROPERTY DAMAGE	492
PERSONAL INJURY	84
FATALITIES	9
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	1,708.5
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	19,997
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	11,118

Sheriff Pryor informed the Commissioners that the GED program has been started and 10 individuals signed up. Tammy McMann, from Cass Logan Educational Attainment Resource and her staff are assisting with this program. The Sheriff department returned \$51,000 back to County General and the Jail returned \$100,000 back to County General. Sheriff Pryor reported that the Cass County Drug Task Force investigated 185 cases in 2011 and officers served 12 search warrants in Cass County. The Sheriff informed the Commissioners of the activity of the Animal Control officer Brian Hyder. Brian answered 1,069 city calls and 639 county calls. He reported 52 bite reports and traveled 29,631 miles. The total number of cats and dogs picked up in Cass County was 747.

Sheriff Pryor submitted a list of surplus property to the Commissioners. Gene Powlen made a motion to declare the property surplus, Jim Sailors seconded. There were 29 items on the list. The motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Pryor requested permission to hire three part-time correction officers. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the request for three part-time correction officers, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Sheriff Pryor also requested permission to replace one part-time kitchen position at the jail. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the request for the part-time kitchen position, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Sheriff presented to the Commissioners the spec sheet for a new squad car. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the spec sheet as presented, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Jim Sailors took this time to thank Sheriff Pryor for his hard work and accomplishments within the Sheriff's department and the Jail. Dave Arnold also thanked the Sheriff for the effort he has put forth to bring about positive changes.

#### I.T.

Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report. The I.T. department helped the assessor's office complete their move from the third floor to the first. I.T. also assisted the

planning department and surveyor in combining their offices. Phone lines and computers were moved. An upgrade was done for the Sheriff Deputy cars in December. There have been some problems since the upgrade and I.T. is currently trying to fix the problem. Two machines were replaced at the Family Opportunity Center, now all of their machines are capable of connecting to the Odyssey court management system. The recording system in the Circuit courtroom has now been changed and will be using a new version of BIS. This is the system used in Superior Courts I & II and the Commissioner Hearing Room. Now if there is a problem in one of these areas, back up is available.

The use of the WTH program was discontinued, this mapping program was not being updated. The current program with 39 Degrees North mapping system is the only one that the county will be using. This system is updated more frequently. This means that when something is changed in the Auditor's office the map for general public will be updated.

#### **CLERK**

Beth Liming appeared before the Commissioners for approval of the proposed vote center sites for the 2012 Primary and General Election. The following sites have been submitted for approval:

Twelve Mile Fire Department - PO Box 13, Twelve Mile, IN 46988

Senior Center - 115 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Logansport, IN 46947

4-H Fairgrounds - 2281 E. 125 N., Logansport, IN 46947

Logansport Mall - 3900 E. Market Street, Logansport, IN 46947

Walton Fire Department - 110 S. Depot Street, Walton, IN 46994

Royal Center Town Hall - PO Box 87, Royal Center, IN 46978

Galveston Community Center - 101 S. Park Road, Galveston, IN 46932

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the locations for the vote centers for the Primary and General Election for 2012, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Dave Arnold thanked Beth and her husband Allen for all of their work on the Clerk's office.

#### **E-911**

Dan McDonald appeared before the Commissioners requesting permission to hire a full time employee. Dan had a full time employee give notice. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

Chris Gaumer appeared before the Commissioners to submit for signatures the Walton Safe Route for Schools paperwork. The papers were signed after the meeting.



### **SICK BANK**

Jim Sailors presented the new Ordinance for the Sick Bank. This Ordinance amends the current sick bank guidelines. This will be Ordinance number 2012-01. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the amended sick bank ordinance, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Dave Arnold presented the Interlocal Agreement and Establishment of Non-Reverting Fund for County Building Commissioner and Staff. This agreement will be with the city of Logansport. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Dave Arnold made a motion to send this agreement to the County Council with a positive recommendation, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

The following appointments were presented for approval of the Commissioners:

#### **Plan Commission**

Stacy Odom	4 years	1/1/12 to 12/31/15
Brad Johnson*		1/1/12 to 12/31/12

\*Brad will finish Dave Hick's term

Brad Johnson	4 years	1/1/13 to 12/31/16
Allen Paschen	4 years	1/1/12 to 12/31/15

#### **Cass County Zoning Board of Appeals**

Robert W. Heckard III	4 years	1/1/12 to 12/31/15
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#### **Convention, visitor, & Tourism Commission**

Bob Ehle	2 years	1/1/12 to 12/31/13
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#### **Logansport Library Board**

Sharon Kain	4 years	1/1/12 to 12/31/15
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#### **Industrial Park Board**

Dick Hettinger	3 years	1/1/12 to 12/31/14
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Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the appointments as presented, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments. Dave Arnold announced the Commissioners Certificate Sale would be February 14, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room, buy your sweetheart a parcel for Valentine Day. Gene Powlen made a motion to adjourn, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Dave Arnold, President

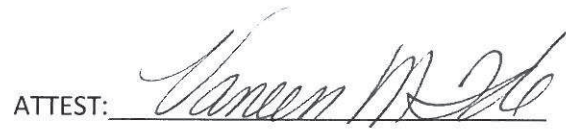


Jim Sailors, Vice President



Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST:



Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor