

**CASS COUNTY COUNCIL
FIRST READING 2013 BUDGET
AUGUST 17, 2012**

Present for the first reading were George Stebbins, Brian Reed, Grover Bishop, Ralph Anderson, Brent Kelley, James David, Jeff LeDonne, Attorney John Hillis, Claims Deputy Jody Vincent, Auditor Office and Auditor Vaneen Ide.

George Stebbins calls the meeting for the first reading of the 2013 budget to order. The Council will address all budget items below the 1000 series first.

Auditor

Ralph Anderson makes a motion to approve all items below the 1000 series, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carries unanimously.

Treasurer

Ralph Anderson makes a motion to approve with the correction to line item 32410 reducing it from \$7,000.00 to \$6,250.00, Grover Bishop seconded. There is discussion among the council to address all of the series including the 1000 at the same time. The motion is withdrawn.

Treasurer

Ralph Anderson makes a motion to reduce line items:
32410 reduce from \$7,000.00 to \$6,250.00
18001 reduce from \$16,000.00 to \$10,000.00
Approve the rest of the budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% raise, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carries unanimously.

Auditor

Ralph Anderson makes a motion to approve the Auditors Budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carries unanimously.

Recorder

Brent Kelley makes a motion to approve the Recorders budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carries unanimously.

Sheriff

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget as presented with the change of line item:

47245 in the amount of \$95,000.00 removed from the Sheriffs budget and moved to Cum Cap. all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Surveyor

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Surveyor budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously,

Coroner

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Coroner budget as presented except for line items:

47214 reduced from \$1,500.00 to \$1,000.00

13001 reduced from \$6,000.00 to \$5,650

All qualified employees to receive a 5% raise, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Prosecutor

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Prosecutors budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% raise, the supplemental amounts are to remain as submitted, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Assessor

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Assessor budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconds. The motion carries unanimously.

Title IV D

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Title IV D budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

County Extension Office

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the County Extension Office budget as presented, all qualified employees receive a 5 % increase, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Planning Department

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Planning Department budget except for line items:

10037 reduced from \$16,200.00 to 0

32620 reduced from \$53,000.00 to \$25,000.00

All qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Board of Appeals

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Board of Appeals budget as presented, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Drainage Board

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Drainage Board budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5 % increase, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Veterans Service

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Veteran Service budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Weights & Measures

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Weights & Measures budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Memorial Home

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Memorial Home budget as presented, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Commissioner budget except for line items:

32321 increase from 0 to \$50,000.00

35440 increase from 0 to \$10,000.00

Grover Bishop seconded. The vote was 3 in favor for the motion Ralph Anderson, Grover Bishop and James David, four opposed George Stebbins, Brent Kelley, Brian Reed and Jeff LeDonne. The motion did not carry.

A new motion for the Commissioner budget was presented. Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Commissioner budget as presented except for line item:

32321 increase from 0 to \$50,000.00

All qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried with 6 votes in favor, 1 opposed by Ralph Anderson.

Maintenance

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Maintenance budget as submitted except for line item:

33251 reduce from \$100,000.00 to \$25,000.00

All qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Superior Court I

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Superior Court I budget as presented except for line item:

11006 reduce from \$5,000.00 to \$1,000.00

All qualified employees receive a 5% increase, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried with 6 votes in favor and 1 against by James David.

Circuit Court

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve Circuit Court budget as presented except for line items:

23310 reduce from \$4,000.00 to \$2,000.00

23100 reduce from \$500.00 to 0

23200 reduce from \$500.00 to 0

32130 increase from \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00

11006 reduce from \$5,000.00 to \$1,000.00

Grover Bishop seconded, discussion took place, no vote was taken motion was amended by Ralph Anderson to approve Circuit Court Budget as presented except for line items:

23310 reduce from \$4,000.00 to \$2,000.00

23100 reduce from \$500.00 to 0

23200 reduce from \$500.00 to 0

32130 increase from \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00

11006 reduce from \$5,000.00 to \$1,000.00

12004 secretary should be changed to controller

Probation officers will not receive raises as their salaries are set by the State of Indiana, all qualified employees will receive a 5% increase, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Soil & Water

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Soil & Water budget as submitted, no increase in salary, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried with 6 votes on favor, one opposed by George Stebbins.

There was discussion and another motion made by Brent Kelley to allow a 5% increase for all qualified employees of Soil & Water, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Superior Court II

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Superior court II budget as presented except for line items:

11013 reduced from \$30,000.00 to \$20,000.00

11006 reduced from \$5,000.00 to \$1,000.00

32120 reduced from \$2,500.00 to 0

32130 increase from 0 to \$2,000.00

32633 reduce from \$25,000.00 to \$15,000.00

12011 reduce from \$120,709.00 to \$81,486.00

18001 reduce from \$30,000.00 to \$25,000.00

Grover Bishop seconded. There was discussion. Ralph Anderson amended his motion to include:

22360 reduce from \$1,000.00 to 0

All qualified employees will receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously

Cass County Council

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Cass County Budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Adult Probation

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Adult Probation budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase. Probation Officers are excluded their wages are set by the State of Indiana, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Building Security

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Building Security budget as presented, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Perpetuation

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Clerk Perpetuation budget as submitted, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously

The I.T. and Park & Recreation budgets have been moved to County General

I.T.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the I.T. budget as submitted, limiting salaries to a 5% increase to all employees that qualify, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously

Park & Recreation

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve Park & Recreation as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, the new Superintendent does not qualify, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Capitol Development

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Capitol Development budget as submitted except for line items:

47214 reduced from \$70,000.00 to 0

47240 reduce from \$3750.00 to 0

47321 reduce from \$8,500.00 to 0

47245 increase from 0 to \$95,000.00

Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Local Emergency Plan

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Local Emergency Plan budget as submitted. Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Health Department

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Health Department budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive 5% increase, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Health Maintenance

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Health Maintenance budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Local Road & Street

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Local Road budget as submitted, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety LOIT- Commissioners

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Public Safety LOIT- Commissioners budget as submitted with the except for line items:

32321 increase from 0 to \$100,000.00

32646 reduce from \$100, 000.00 to 0

Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety LOIT – I.T.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to remove the I.T. budget from Public Safety LOIT and place in County General, reducing P.S. LOIT –I.T. from \$396,774.00 to 0, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Safety LOIT- EMA

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve Public Safety LOIT- EMA budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Highway Department

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Highway Department budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Brent Kelley seconded. Jeff Smith, Highway Superintendent addressed the Council, Jeff would like to implement merit raises for his employees. He would like to try to bring the pay scale of the Highway Department up to that with the surrounding counties. The Council requested that he take this plan to the Personnel Committee before the final reading. The motion carried 6 votes in favor, 1 opposed by Grover Bishop.

Auditor Plat Book

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Auditor Plat Book budget as submitted, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Reassessment

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Reassessment budget as submitted, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried 6 votes in favor, 1 opposed by Brent Kelley.

Cumulative Bridge

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Cumulative Bridge budget as submitted, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Election & Registration

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Election & Registration budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

E-911 Statewide

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the E-911 Statewide budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The vote carried 6 in favor, 1 opposed by Jeff LeDonne.

In Home Detention

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the In Home Detention budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Adult Probation

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Adult Probation budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, this does not include Probation officers, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Jail Debt Service

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Jail Debt Service budget as submitted, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Incentive

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Clerk Incentive budget as submitted, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Cass County CEDIT

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Cass County CEDIT budget as submitted except for line items:

35850 reduced from \$12,500.00 to 0

35890 increased from 0 to \$12,500

Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Cass County Corrections

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Cass County Corrections budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Corrections Grant

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Corrections Grant budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Director is subject to State pay schedule, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Community Corrections Project Income

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Community Corrections Project Income as submitted, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried 6 votes in favor, 1 opposed by Jeff LeDonne.

Tobacco Education

Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Tobacco Education budget as submitted, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Health Coordinator Grant

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Public Health Coordinator Grant as submitted, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

County Election Training Fund

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the County Election Training Fund budget as submitted, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Clerk- Certified Shares

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Clerk –Certified Shares budget as submitted except for line item:

18001 reduced from \$30,000.00 to \$25,000.00

All qualified employees to receive a 5% increase, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Jail-Certified Shares

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Jail-Certified Shares budget as submitted, Jeff LeDonne seconded. There was discussion. An amended motion was made by Ralph Anderson to approve the Jail –Certified Shares budget as submitted, all qualified employees to receive 5% increase, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Salaries

Qualified employees are ones employed on or before January 1, 2012. Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the qualified employee date of January 1, 2012, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

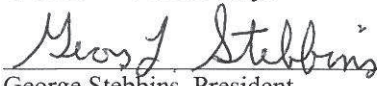
Public Comments & Adjourn

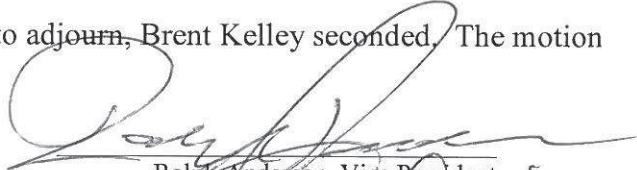
Judge Rick Maughmer addressed the Public Defender fund and presented information to the Council.

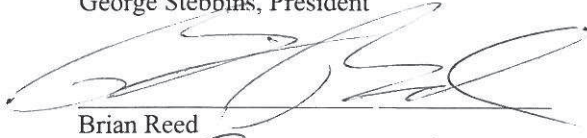
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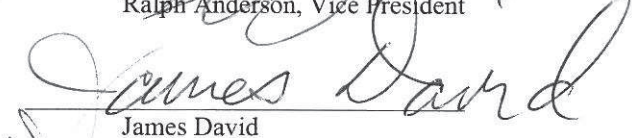
Ralph Anderson made an omnibus motion to approve every change during the first reading of the County budget all departments, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.


Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

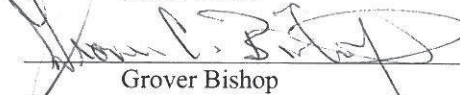

George Stebbins, President

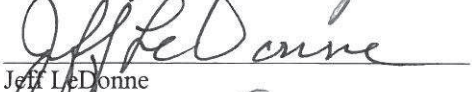

Ralph Anderson, Vice President

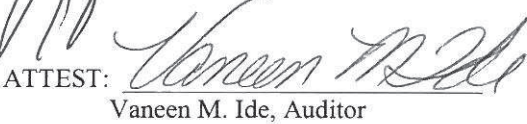

Brian Reed


James David


Brent Kelley


Grover Bishop


Jeff LeDonne

ATTEST: 
Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor