

**CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**OCTOBER 21, 2013**

The Cass County Commissioners met Monday at 6:00p.m. in the Commissioner Hearing room. Present were Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Attorney Brad Rozzi and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Absent was Attorney John Hillis. Dave Arnold opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed with a moment of silence.

**MINUTES**

Ralph Anderson 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, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**SHERIFF**

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report:

PRISONER BOOKINGS	140
PRISONERS RELEASED	147
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	2,850
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	12,574
OFFICER PATROL MILES	29,359
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	137
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	182
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	17
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	39
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	35
PROPERTY DAMAGE	27
PERSONAL INJURY	7
FATALITIES	1
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	167
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,519
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	647

Sheriff Pryor also presented to the Commissioners the contract for medical care for inmates of the Cass County Jail. The Sheriff informed the Commissioners that the costs of the contract increased 2% from last year. The Sheriff informed the company that if costs increase again, the County would be

looking at other companies for coverage. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the contract for inmate care for the Cass County Jail, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **MAINTENANCE**

Richard Gundrum presented his report to the Commissioners. Richard has been working with Ameresco in regards to the heating and air conditioning. Richard has been looking into prices for repairs to the clock tower. A current project is cleaning off the roof above the garage to repair the roof. This area used to house the jails exercise area. Work is being conducted on security protocol for the building locks. LMU came and trimmed the trees in the park area facing Third Street, the CCHD assisted in removing the debris. A company has been contacted for the repairs to the windows at the Memorial Home. A locking valve will also be placed on the range at the Memorial Home. Issues with the boiler at the Family Op Center are also being addressed and will be fixed. Richard has also met with Ray Eber and they are discussing ADA compliance within the county.

#### **PARK DEPARTMENT**

Lucas Beach appeared before the Commissioners seeking permission to advertise for bids for the bathroom project at the park. Lucas presented the Commissioners the building specifications for the project. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the bid process, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Bids will be opened at the December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

#### **E.M.A**

Alvin Beckman appeared before the Commissioners with a request for out of state travel for the National Tornado Summit in February of 2014. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the out of state travel, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Alvin also presented the Commissioners with a grant application for 3,200. For an interface between first responders and EOC, messages could be sent via text from cell phones. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the grant for 3,200.00 for EOC interface with first responders, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Alvin invited the Commissioners to attend Debris Management class at Ivy Tech, November 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **COMMISSIONER MEETING DATES 2014**

The following meeting schedule for 2014 was presented:

JANUARY 6	1:00 P.M.
JANUARY 21	6:00 P.M.
FEBRUARY 3	1:00 P.M.
FEBRUARY 18	6:00 P.M.

MARCH 3	1:00 P.M.
MARCH 17	6:00 P.M.
APRIL 7	1:00 P.M.
APRIL 21	6:00 P.M.
MAY 5	1:00 P.M.
MAY 19	6:00 P.M.
JUNE 2	1:00 P.M.
JUNE 16	6:00 P.M.
JULY 7	1:00 P.M.
JULY 21	6:00 P.M.
AUGUST 4	1:00 P.M.
AUGUST 18	6:00 P. M.
SEPTEMBER 2	1:00 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 15	6:00 P.M.
OCTOBER 6	1:00 P.M.
OCTOBER 20	6:00 P.M.
NOVEMBER 3	1:00 P.M.
NOVEMBER 17	6:00 P.M.
DECEMBER 1	1:00 P.M.
DECEMBER 15	6:00 P.M.

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the meeting dates for 2014 as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### COMMISSIONER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2014

The following holidays will be adopted for 2014:

New Year's Day	Wednesday, January 1, 2014
President's Day	Monday, February 17, 2014
Good Friday	Friday, April 18, 2014
Memorial Day	Monday, May 26, 2014

Independence Day	Friday, July 4, 2014
Labor Day	Monday, September 1, 2014
Veteran's Day	Tuesday, November 11, 2014
Thanksgiving	Thurs. & Fri., November 27 & 28, 2014
Christmas	Thurs. & Fri., December 25 & 26, 2014
New Year's Eve	Wednesday, December 31, 2014

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the 2014 holiday schedule with the change of the title from Vacation to Holiday, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **HIGHWAY**

Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners with the change order for Cliff Drive culvert EE-001. There was discussion as to the reason for the change order. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the change order for Cliff Drive, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried with a vote of two in favor and one opposed, Dave Arnold.

Jeff also had a request for additional funding for inspections on the 275W inspections. These funds will be coming from the Redevelopment Commission. Jeff wanted to keep the Commissioner's informed on this project.

#### **PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD**

Ralph Anderson gave a presentation of why the county has chosen to propose this particular ordinance and the benefits it could bring to the county. Ralph Anderson made a motion to adopt the proposed ordinance for a Public Defender Board, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried with a vote of two in favor and one opposed, Jim Sailors. This is ordinance 2013-12

Attorney Mike Boonstra, of 601 E. Market, Logansport addressed the Commissioners in regards to the ordinance just passed.

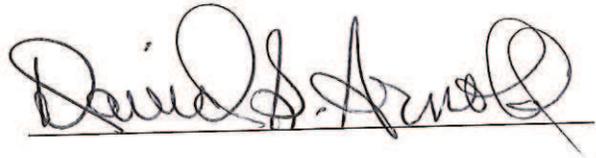
Jim Sailors made a motion to appoint attorney Jay Hirschauer to the Public Defender Board, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried with a vote of two in favor and one opposed, Ralph Anderson. The Commissioners have one appointment to the Public Defender Board and the Judges have two, one Democrat member and one Republican member.

#### **APPOINTMENT**

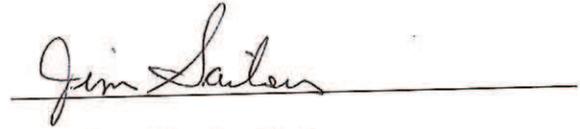
Dave Arnold made a motion to appoint Christy Householder to the position of Economic Development Director of Cass County, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN**

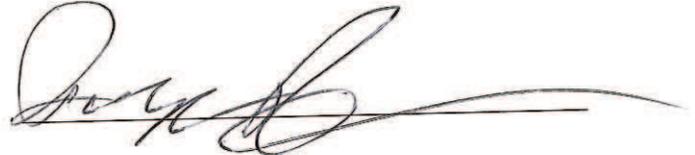
There were no public comments. Jim Sailors made a motion to adjourn, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Dave Arnold, President



Jim Sailors, Vice President



Ralph Anderson, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor