

**CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 4, 2013**

The Cass County Commissioners met Monday at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Dave Arnold opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by 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.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly update of the CCHD. Jeff reported that work on the 2013 road program is nearly finished, with the application of 3.4 miles of hot mix asphalt in late October. Nearly 44 road miles received treatment during this year's program. Pavement markings were applied to almost 14 miles of roadway. The Cliff Drive culvert project is complete and the road reopened to traffic on October 11th. Relinquishment was finalized as of the day of the Hoosier Heartland opening, Old State Road 25 will now be a county road, while Burlington Avenue reverts back to the state control. Cass County also gains three bridge structures while giving three back to state control. A fourth bridge on Market Street over the Eel River will be turned over to Cass County after it is replaced in two to three years.

Ray Eber appeared and gave the Commissioners the update on CCHD projects. A concrete box culvert on 200S near 175W was replaced with an aluminum one. A work crew led by Ron Blackman and workers Chuck Sterrett, Jim Buettner, Rob Spradling, Tristan Whitcomb and Kevin Cowell, cleared heavy debris and brush on the banks for this culvert to be installed. The CCHD is very pleased with this job. The culvert replacement scheduled for Delaware road will not be able to be done this year. A hydraulic study was commissioned and after the study, recommendations called for a larger pipe, which will have to be ordered. Ralph Anderson asked Ray Eber if something could be done to help with the water flow until the project can be completed. Ray thought that the pipe could be opened up, and debris cleared as a temporary fix.

PARK DEPARTMENT

Lucas Beach appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly Park Department report. The DINO series did a trail run at the park, they had a 5k and 15k run. There were 168 participants, it was the hardest trail run of the series and had great comments from every racer. The Park hosted Sleepy

Hollow haunted hay ride the last two weekends of the month in October. The ride was from 7:30 to 11:30 at night, there were 8 spooky scenes set up along the path. In 2012, 600 people attended the hay ride. This year the park had 1606 people attend. On the 26th of October the Park held its first Zombie Run. It was a 5k and there were 75 runners and 25 zombies. Demolition of the beach bathroom has begun. The Park will be utilizing many of the fixtures in the bath house to save on cost.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Bob Vernon appeared before the Commissioners with the Health Department report. The Health department saw a total of 218 patients giving them 645 vaccinations. Nurses conducted two adult flu shot clinics seeing 143 adults and giving 143 flu shots, 86 children also received flu shots. Eric Eldridge has been teaching the new environmentalist, Tom Clear, many things. Both Eric and Tom attended a hands on training in Miami County for Onsite Sewage System training hosted by the State. Jan McKaig continues teaching hand washing to the elementary students. Jan is also assisting with duties of the front desk and vital records. Bob attended a Vital Records Conference with Juana and now will be able to assist with vital records. The office is running very well and everyone is working together as a team and the intention is to bring the Health Department to a higher standard and serve the public in a professional manner.

EMA VEHICLE BIDS

Attorney John Hillis opened the sealed bids for the advertised vehicle for the EMA Department.

Fletcher Chrysler

3099 N. Morton Street

Franklin, Indiana 46131

2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo 4x4	\$26,534.00
2014 Dodge Charger	\$22,216.00
2014 Ram 1500 Crew Cab 4x4 SSV	\$22,870.00

Bloomington Ford

2200 S. Walnut Street

Bloomington, Indiana 47401

2014 Ford Fusion	\$17,825.19
2014 Ford Explorer 4x4	\$25,946.66
2014 Ford Escape S	\$19,555.19
2014 Ford Escape SE	\$24,805.19
2014 Ford F-250 XL	\$26,337.07
2014 Fleet/Non-Retail Ram 2500 4WD Crew Cab*	\$26,343.25

149" Tradesman DJ7L91

*Option 4x2 in lieu of 4x4 quoted deduct 900.00

2014 Fleet/Non –Retail Jeep Grand Cherokee	\$26,790.25
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4WD 4dr Laredo WKJH74

2014 Fleet/Non-Retail Dodge Charger
4dr Sdn Police RWD LDDE48

\$22,071.25

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

COUNTY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING

Clerk Beth Liming appeared before the Commissioners and presented the map and changes for the redistricting of voting precincts for Cass County. Dave Arnold, Cj Gilsinger, Grover Bishop, Ginny Baker and Beth Liming worked together to distribute the voters more evenly amongst the precincts. Noble City moved from district one to district two. Precinct 8 in district three moved to district two. This evened out the voters to be within the range that the State of Indiana requires. Voters will be notified after this is presented to the Cass County Council at their November 15th meeting. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the changes as presented, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

Cindy Howard, Secretary for the Cass County Commissioners requested permission to close the Court House for the annual Christmas Party December 20th. The building would be closed from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the closing of the Court House on December 20th during the hours of 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Arnold informed all that County Councilmember; Jeff LeDonne suffered a heart attack and had surgery today. Jeff was doing well.

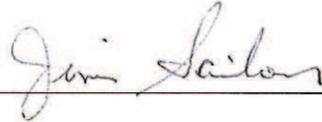
Dave Arnold introduced Christy Householder as the new Economic Development Director for Cass County.

The Commissioners had taken an Emission Control Ordinance under advisement at their August 5th meeting. The Commissioners will not take action on this ordinance as presented. Dave Arnold made a motion that no action will be taken on the ordinance presented at the August 5th Commissioner Meeting, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Arnold", written over a horizontal line.

Dave Arnold, President



Jim Sailors, Vice President



Ralph Anderson, Member

ATTEST:



Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor