

## **CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

**FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

The Cass County Commissioners met at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Attorney James Knight and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Attorney John Hillis was absent. Dave Arnold opened the meeting with an amendment to the agenda. Items XVI - Treasurer, XVII - Health Department and XVIII - Sheriff Department Car Bids. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the amendments to the agenda, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Following the amendments to the agenda, Dave opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

### **MINUTES**

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Ralph Anderson 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 January report.

PRISONER BOOKINGS	167
PRISONERS RELEASED	145
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	2,279
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	11,053
OFFICER PATROL MILES	38,796
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	195
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	194
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	7
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	47
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	43
PROPERTY DAMAGE	39
PERSONAL INJURY	3
FATALITIES	1
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	70
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,732
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS	782

Sheriff Pryor noted that there was a small increase in inmate and DOC population. Sheriff Pryor requested permission to hire two full time corrections officers. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the hiring two full time corrections officers, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **MAINTENANCE**

Elli Smith was not available for his report.

#### **PROSECUTOR**

Prosecutor Kevin Enyeart appeared before the Commissioners with a request to hire two Deputy Prosecutors, Ian O'Keefe and Tricia Thompson. They will retain the same pay as the previous Deputy Prosecutors. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the hiring of two Deputy Prosecutors, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Kevin also informed the Commissioners of the changes in his office staff Cindy Buffum will replace Marilyn Kahl and Patty Brugh will replace Carmen Hopkins, both Kahl and Hopkins will be retiring from the Prosecutors office staff. The new employees will not become full time employees until Kahl and Hopkins have finished out their time. Buffum and Brugh will be compensated hourly from Pre-Trial Deferral Funds. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the staff additions and compensation, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners for the opening of bids for Bridge 203. Attorney James Knight opened and read the following bids aloud:

Lee Farms Excavating 1325 N. 200 E. Rd Onarga, IL 60955	56,500.00
Zagajewski Construction INC. 930 Bates Street Logansport, IN 46947	72,140.00
Aulbach Construction LLC P.O. Box 598 1631 W. Market Street Logansport, IN 46947	66,330.00
Ameritrack Rail P.O. Box 682 Frankfort, IN 46041	116,875.00
Fritz-Rumer-Cooke Co. INC	208,370.00

635 E. Woodrow Ave  
P.O. Box 07884  
Columbus , OH 43207-0884

Lee Farms Excavating 60,000.00  
1325 N. 200 E. Rd  
Onarga, IL 60955

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

Jeff Smith presented the Commissioners with an agreement for consulting services with R.W. Armstrong for the 275W road project. The cost for the consulting agreement is \$27,000.00. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the consulting agreement with R.W. Armstrong, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **BAY GEOPHYSICAL**

Jeff Smith on behalf of Frank Shoemaker presented the outline of Bay Geophysical request for permission to conduct seismic work on the following roads:

LINE CM -119-13 STARTING AT S CR 300 E GOING ON E CR 150 S TO S CR S 700 E

LINE CM -120-13 STARTING AT S CR 300 E GOING EAST ON E CR 1300 S TO S CR 700 E

LINE CM – 121-13 STARTING AT S CR 600 E GOING EAST ON E CR 900 S – ENDING ON E CR 1000 E

Ralph Anderson made a motion to allow the seismic work along the county roads noted in Bay Geophysical's request, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Ralph asked Jeff to inquire if other information from this work would be available for the County's use.

#### **CLEDO**

Connie Neiningner appeared before the Commissioners; Connie presented the Commissioners with an information sheet of pending projects and various information from CLEDO. Connie presented the Commissioners with a Resolution for Cass County to join with the counties of Clinton, Fulton, Howard, Miami and Tipton. The Commissioners approved the 2012 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) which is a five year economic development strategy for the region of North Central Indiana. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the resolution, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. This will be resolution 2013-01.

Connie also presented an Economic Development Agreement for the Sagamore Warehouse LLC to the Commissioners. This entity is requesting five year abatement for personal property. This is a joint agreement with the City of Logansport. There was some discussion and the Commissioners requested that under Article V Infrastructure letter c, be reworded to reflect the cleanup had already been completed. Connie agreed to the change and would make the correction to the document. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the agreement with the noted change to Article V, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried with a vote of two in favor and Ralph Anderson opposed.



### **CROSSROAD ENGINEERING**

Trent Newport was not available and will be on the agenda for the March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, per Jeff Smith.

### **COMMISSIONER TAX SALE**

A resolution was presented to the Commissioners for their approval for the Commissioners Tax Sale. The sale will be conducted March 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the resolution, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. This will be resolution 2013-02.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Dave Arnold made a motion to appoint Arden Cramer to the Industrial Park Board, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

Melvin Price is requesting the use of the Government Building courtyard for the observance of National Day of Prayer. The day requested is May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the date and times for the National Day of Prayer, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **TREASURER**

Treasurer Kathy Adair appeared before the Commissioners requesting permission to hire a full time deputy and a part time worker. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the request, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Lynda Kennedy appeared before the Commissioners requesting permission to hire a registrar for the Health Department. The former registrar has resigned her position. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request, Jim Sailors seconded. Lynda Kennedy also requested permission to hire a new full time environmentalist, one has resigned. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the request, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **SHERIFF VEHICLE BIDS**

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners for the opening of vehicle bids. Attorney James Knight opened and read the following bids aloud:

Valley Chevrolet  
2200 S. Walnut Street  
Bloomington, IN 47401

2013 Fleet /Non-Retail Chevrolet Impala Police 4dr Sdn	20,446.91
2013 Fleet/Non-Retail Ram 1500 4WD Crew Cab 140.5 TradesmanDS6L9	21,616.25
2013 Fleet/Non-Retail Ford Expedition 2WD 4dr SL U1F	26,595.25
2013 Fleet/Non-Retail Ford Sedan Police Interceptor 4dr Sdn AWD P2M	23,603.90
2013 Fleet/Non –Retail Chevrolet Tahoe 2WD 4dr 1500 Commercial CC1070	26,748.75
2013 Fleet/Non-Retail Dodge Charger 4dr Sdn Police RWD LDDE48	23,099.25

Fletcher  
3099 N. Morton St.  
Franklin, IN 46131

2013 Dodge Charger Pursuit	22,746.00
2013 Chrysler 200 LX	18,717.00
2013 Ram Crew Cab 1500 Special Service 4x4	21,802.00

Jim Sailors made a motion to take all bids under advisement, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Sheriff informed the Commissioners that he had also checked into some used vehicle prices.

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

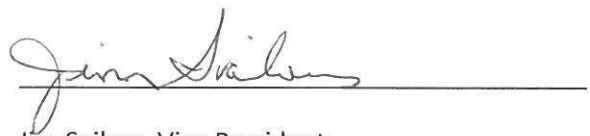
Alvin Beckman appeared before the Commissioners with a request to travel out of state. Alvin would like to attend the National Tornado Summit in Kansas. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the out of state travel, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN**

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



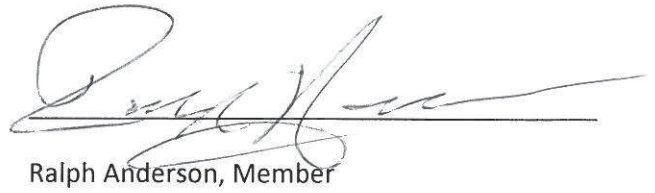
Dave Arnold, President



Jim Sailors, Vice President

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor

  
Ralph Anderson, Member