

**CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2014**

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

**MINUTES**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**CLAIMS & PAYROLL**

Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the claims and payroll as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**I.T. DEPARTMENT**

Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report. I.T. assisted the Assessor's office with generating and printing the Form 11's that are sent out to each property owner. Digital copies were made of these records. There are several machines that are beginning to present more problems so I.T. began a small rollout of machines this month. Time was spent working with Work Release, troubleshooting some network issues and expanding their wireless internet system.

Much of Cj's time has been spent this month preparing for the election. The ballot is built and the public test is completed. I.T. is working with the contractor at the Annex building; the contractor will run all of the wiring as soon as it arrives.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly Highway Department report. The Highway crews have been busy with chip and seal work. The new pickup truck approved in June arrived last week. The truck it replaces is a 2000 GMC 2500 4 x 4 with 211,000 miles on it, the department would like to declare this vehicle surplus. Dave Arnold made a motion to declare the 2000 GMC 2500 4 x 4 with 211,000 miles surplus property, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The three way stops have been placed on CR 1100E at 325N and at Miami County Road 300N.

Ray Eber appeared and presented the CCHD projects report. Repairs to bridge 148 on CR 925E are expected to be getting underway on Thursday. A failed piling will be replaced. The road will be closed for a few days while this work is underway.

A culvert has been replaced on CR 200E between 600S and 650S. The sub-contractor had this job complete in just over two weeks. The guardrails still need to be installed. The road will be repaved in the fall.

At this time Attorney Jim Knight proceeded to open the sealed bids for ADA compliant sidewalks in Young America. Bids were received from the following contractors:

Aulbach Construction LLC P.O Box 598 Logansport, IN 46947	11,705.09
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Solid Finish Construction 4666 East 1175 South	15,975.00
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Galveston, IN 46932

Ralph Anderson made a motion to take the bids under advisement, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The CCHD also requested that the Commissioners allow bids to be advertised for Culvert Inspections. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request to advertise bids for Culvert Inspections, Dave Arnold seconded.

#### **CCED**

Christy Householder appeared before the Commissioners with her monthly report of activities. Christy continues to visit businesses in Cass County. Christy has attended several meetings and continues to work with parties interested in locating in Cass County.

#### **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Bob Vernon appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly report of the Cass County Health Department. Ten routine vaccination clinics were held in July. A total of 228 patients were seen for immunizations with 522 vaccinations given.

Vital records continue to be busy with 128 birth certificates issued, of those 26 were free. There were 135 death certificates issued. The Health Department assisted in 7 searches for ancestry death and birth records. One paternity affidavit for birth certificate and one amended birth certificate were issued.

There are currently 218 food establishments doing business in Cass County. Three food establishments have closed down and two establishments have changed ownership. One establishment was closed due to food safety concerns and was fined \$175.00. Eight environmental complaints have been investigated. Two cases have been turned over to the Health Department attorney.

Alesia Brown has replaced Jan McKaig as the Health educator. Alesia is familiarizing herself with the materials and inventory she will be using for classroom instruction.

#### **TAX SALE PROPERTIES**

Attorney Jim Knight presented two requests that were received to remove properties from the upcoming tax sale, to be held September 18, 2014. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources has requested that the real estate owned by Karen and Marion Garling Trust be removed. The Garlings are in the process of transferring the real estate to the State of Indiana, the State has agreed to pay the delinquent property taxes. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the removal of the Garling Trust property from the tax sale, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The second property is the Estate of Jody Jackson. Attorney Doug Cox submitted the request on behalf of the estate. Dave Arnold made a motion not to remove the property from the tax sale, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **SIGNS ON ROUNDABOUT**

Dave Arnold made a motion to not allow signs to be placed on the roundabout located at the intersection of Davis, Chase and Perrysburg roads, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Dave Arnold will have the County Attorney draft a resolution, regarding the placement of signs on the roundabout.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

The following persons were recommended for appointment to the Health Department Board:

Dr. John Zimmerer

Cary Kaufman

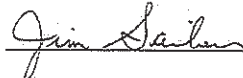
Dave Arnold made a motion to accept the names of Dr. John Zimmerer and Cary Kaufman for appointment to the Health Department Board, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN

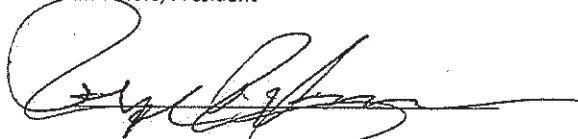
Jean Osburn, 1555W PR250S, appeared before the Commissioners requesting that the private road she lives on be made a county road. The Commissioners explained to Ms. Osburn that before the county could take over the road, it would have to meet the county standards. The Commissioners also told Ms. Osburn that she would need to work with the Planning Department and the Highway Department.

Bill Bauman, 2431 George Street, appeared before the Commissioners in regards to the damage done by the motor sport racing at the Park.

There were no other public comments. Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Jim Sailors, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



Dave Arnold, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor