

**CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2014**

The Cass County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Dave Arnold, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. 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.

**PUBLIC HEARING  
BOND ISSUE**

Attorney John Hillis gave a brief outline of the proposed bond for repairs to the Cass County Government Building, Jail and County Annex Buildings located on High Street. The proposed bond is not to exceed 10 million dollars. Signed petitions were presented with 66 verified signatures, along with a proposed lease between the County and the newly formed Building Corporation. The public hearing was advertised in the Pharos Tribune and the Royal Center Record.

Mike Kinsey, Claude Bailey and James Donato were selected as members of the Building Corporation and listed in the Resolution presented to the Commissioners. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented for the Cass County Building Corporation, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Attorney John Hillis requested public comments, there were none. Ralph Anderson made a motion to close the public hearing, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**SHERIFF DEPARTMENT**

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners. Sheriff Pryor gave his monthly report for the month of August.

PRISONER BOOKINGS	189
PRISONERS RELEASED	171
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	1,431
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	12,734
OFFICER PATROL MILES	33,654
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	311
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	178
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	10
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	47
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	36
PROPERTY DAMAGE	29
PERSONAL INJURY	6
FATALITIES	1
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	198.5
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,686
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	625

Sheriff Pryor also requested permission to replace a full time Correction Officer. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request to replace a full time Correction Officer, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT**

Richard Gundrum appeared before the Commissioners and presented his monthly report. Work is continuing on the HVAC system problems. The walk in cooler evaporator at the Jail was faulty and replaced. The Health Department located in the Government Annex building had a leak. The roof contractor was contacted and the roof was repaired. Richard discussed energy programs with NIPSCO.

#### **WORK RELEASE**

Dave Wegner appeared before the Commissioners and presented the Cass/Pulaski Annul Report to the Commissioners. Dave also presented an amendment to the Grant Agreement for review of the Commissioners. The Commissioners approved the amendment.

Dave also requested a part-time Corrections Officer and a part-time Case Manager. Ralph Anderson made a motion granting the request for a part-time Corrections Officer and a part-time Case Manager, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **E-911**

Dan McDonald appeared before the Commissioners with a request to fill a vacated full time position. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request to fill the vacated full time position, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Ray Eber appeared before the Commissioners with the LPA Consulting Contract for the 400S project for their review. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the LPA Consulting Contract for the 400S project, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Jim Sailors announced the resignation of Tom Heckard from the Hospital Board. Dave Arnold made a motion to place Gene Powlen on the Hospital Board, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to place James Donato on the Planning Board, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Arnold made a motion to place the following individuals on the board of the Building Corporation, Mike Kinsey, Claude Bailey and James Donato, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **BIDS SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Attorney John Hillis opened the sealed bids for the surplus property on West Bend Road:

Jeff Snider	\$250.00
Kelley Chapman	\$175.00
Jeff Snider	\$100.00

Ralph Anderson made a motion to accept the highest bid from Jeff Snider in the amount of \$250.00, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

Commissioner Jim Sailors explained the negotiations with securing a new ambulance service for Cass County. Rural Metro will no longer serve Cass County. The County has awarded a 30 day contract with Prompt Ambulance Service. A longer contract will be negotiated within the next 30 days.

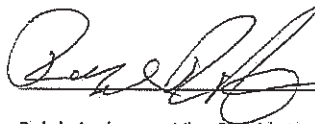
Ralph Anderson made a motion to amend the agenda to include a contract with Prompt Ambulance Service; Dave Arnold seconded the motion carried unanimously.

Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the 30 day contract with Prompt ambulance Service, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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



Jim Sailors, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



Dave Arnold, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor