

**CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 17, 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 & Payroll as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Richard Gundrum appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report. On November 11th four leaking glycol valves on the boiler system were replaced and faulty gauges were replaced on the boiler in the Government Center Building. New tube heaters were installed in the garage at the Jail. A fence was installed for Work Release and an old office in the Annex Building was cleaned out in preparation for a new occupant. Leaks in the boiler piping and faulty valves were replaced at the Family Opportunity Center. Changes in the pickup of recycling at the Jail and Government Center have been implemented.

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

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

PRISONER BOOKINGS	183
PRISONERS RELEASED	164
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	3,392
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	13,221
OFFICER PATROL MILES	34,788
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	117
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	155
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	4
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	38
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	62
PROPERTY DAMAGE	51
PERSONAL INJURY	11
FATALITIES	0
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	214
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,352
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	722

Sheriff Pryor also reported on the Cass County Drug Task Force. They have been involved with 17 cases, 12 arrests and located 4 meth labs in Cass County.

Sheriff Pryor requested permission to advertise for vehicle bids for the Sheriff department. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the request for vehicle bids for the Sheriff Department, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Pryor informed the Commissioners that the current radios being used will have to be updated in 2015. This will be a substantial amount of money. Dave Arnold made a motion to send a positive recommendation to the Council regarding the purchase of new radios, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Bob Vernon appeared before the Commissioners and presented his monthly report. During the month of October, ten routine vaccination clinics were held. A total of 316 patients were seen for immunizations with 682 vaccinations given.

There were 131 birth certificates issued, of those 28 were free. There were 182 death certificates, 14 genealogy searches and 1 paternity affidavit filed.

Currently there are 209 food establishments doing business in Cass County. There have been 13 retail establishments inspected and one follow up inspection. Two food complaints have been investigated and 3 temporary food permits have been issued. The Health department has collected \$50.00 in fines for food violations.

The health educator has been busy visiting schools and teaching hand washing classes to 231 students between Fairview, Pioneer, Caston and Lincoln Middle School. The educator has also taught tobacco classes to 249 students at Caston, Pioneer, Southeastern, and Lincoln Middle school.

The Health Department is losing Eric Eldridge, Eric has been offered a job with the Indiana State Department of Health as a food specialist. Eric's last day is November 14.

Bob Vernon requested permission to fill the vacancy of food inspector, left by Eric's departure. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the filling of the vacated food inspector position, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners and requested that he be allowed to accept the lowest bid from Vermeer Midwest, Inc. in the amount of \$32,900.00 for the chipper. Ralph Anderson made a motion to accept the lowest bid from Vermeer Midwest, Inc., Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PROMPT AMBULANCE SERVICE

A contract for ambulance service with Prompt Ambulance Central I was presented to the Cass County Commissioners. Attorney John Hillis reviewed the contract and deemed it acceptable. Jim Sailors made a motion to accept the contract with Prompt Ambulance Central as presented, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Kevin Bostic appeared before the Commissioners with a token of recognition for the County's support in helping secure a place for IVY Tech in Cass County. Cass County was recognized as Benefactor of the Year, along with the City of Logansport. Kevin presented the Commissioners a beautiful etched glass bowl.

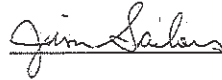
APPOINTMENTS

The following persons, Gene Powlen and Darryl Hoover, currently serving on the Hospital Board have terms that are ending. They have indicated that they would like to continue to serve on that board. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Gene Powlen and Darryl Hoover to the Hospital Board, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The following persons Tom Lane and Tim Young, currently serving on the Alcoholic Beverage Board have terms that are ending. They have indicated that they would like to continue to serve on that board. Dave Arnold made a motion to re-appoint Tom Lane and Tim Young to the Alcoholic Beverage Board, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

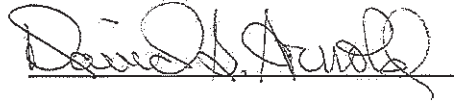
Ralph Anderson announced that Birth of a City was a great success. There were no other public comments. Dave Arnold made a motion to adjourn, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously..



Jim Sailors, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



Dave Arnold, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor