

CASS COUNTY COUNCIL
AUGUST 15, 2014

The Cass County Council met in the Commissioners Hearing Room at 9:00 a.m. Present were George Stebbins, Grover Bishop, Brian Reed, Phil Rains, Jeff LeDonne, Jim David, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Absent was Council member Stacey Donato. George Stebbins opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

MINUTES

There were corrections to the minutes from the July 18th meeting. The request from the I.T. Department to transfer out of series the amount should be \$7,092.76 instead of \$6,633.00. The wording for the transfer for E-911 should be, the \$10,000.00 may be used out of Fund 1170-23, it cannot be transferred to Fund 1222. Jeff LeDonne made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections, Jim David seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE

An amended salary ordinance was presented to the Council to correct the 2014 E-911 salaries. Brian Reed made a motion to approve the amended salary ordinance for 2014 E-911 salaries, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FAMILY OPPORTUNITY CENTER

Deb Waggoner appeared before the Council with a request for a job title change. The position of Controller needs to be changed to Administrative Assistant. A new employee began working the new position on August 4th at the beginning salary of \$20,000.00. Jeff LeDonne made a motion to change the title from Controller to Administrative Assistant, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER

The Treasurer was not present.

DECLARATION OF COUNTY TAX RATES

The County must adopt each year a declaration of county tax rates. The rates will remain the same as were presented in 2014:

CAGIT

County Adjusted Gross Income Tax	.0100
Property Tax Relief	.0100
Public Safety	.0025

HOURLY RATE FOR 2015

Brian Reed made a motion to raise the hourly rate 2%, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The current rate will be 8.57 to 10.20 per hour.

OMNIBUS MOTION

Brian Reed made a motion to approve all motions made and passed in this meeting, Grover Bishop second. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

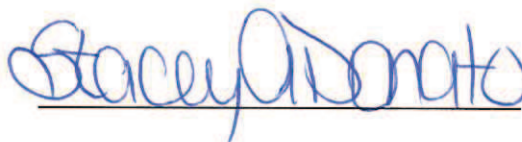
Sheriff Randy Pryor addressed the Council and strongly disagreed with the 2% increase for all employees. The Sheriff had increased his jail staff by 2,000.00 each to bring their rate of pay up to the surrounding counties. The Jail employees will never catch up with surrounding counties with a 2% increase and we will continue to be a training county and loose qualified individuals to other county's that pay better.

Lynn Korniak informed the Council that an article about the Cass County 4-H Fair was featured in the Washington Post.

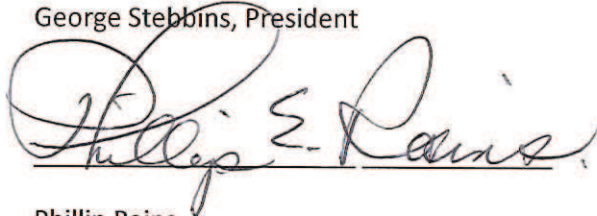
There were no further public comments. Grover Bishop made a motion to adjourn, Phil Rains seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



George Stebbins, President



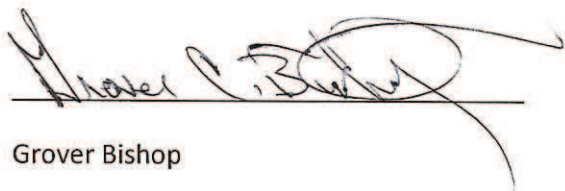
Stacey Donato, Vice President



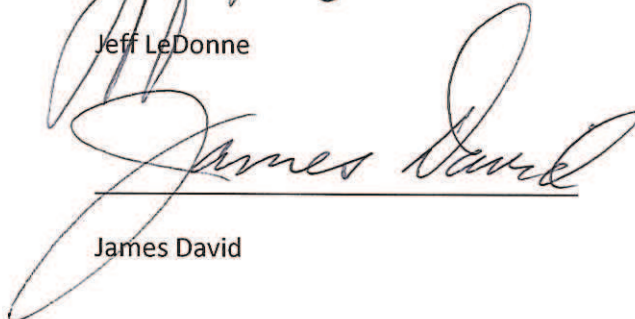
Phillip Rains



Jeff LeDonne



Grover Bishop



James David



Brian Reed

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor