

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FEBRUARY 2, 2015

The Cass County Commissioners met at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Jeff LeDonne, Attorney Jim 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, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

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

HIGHWAY

Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners and presented his monthly report of the CCHD. The month of February began with snow and overtime hours. County Road 325 W. project has received an award from the Indiana Ready Mix Concrete Association. The project was one of twenty projects statewide to receive an award at the IRMCA conference in Indianapolis last week.

Contracts have been signed for county-wide bridge inspection, which will begin its first phase this summer. The work is funded with 80 percent federal money and 20 percent local money. The contract with USI for the total four year cycle is not to exceed \$183,536.00.

Ray Eber appeared before the Commissioners and updated them on the current CCHD projects. The salt barn project is complete and the building has been in use since the first of January. Three employees of the CCHD attended a training session dealing with tree trimming safety and best practices. The free training session was offered by Vermeer and delivered some valuable safety information to the employees.

The 2015 phase of ADA compliance for county road rights of way is in the planning phases. This year's phase includes some additional sidewalk replacement in Young America.

PARK DEPARTMENT

Dana Hildebrand appeared before the Commissioners and presented the monthly Park report. The past month has limited the some of the work at the Park. However, employees have been busy cutting, splitting and stacking wood in the wood bin. Work has continued on marking the park trails. The outer trail is nearly completed at this time.

The Kenneth Depot store as of now has no contract for 2015. We need to get it contracted, prepared and occupied before camping season begins.

CCED

Christy Householder was not available to present her report for the month, she will be placed on the February 17th agenda.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Bob Vernon appeared before the Commissioners and presented the monthly report of the Cass County Health Department. Routine vaccination clinics were held through January 27th. Nine routine

vaccination clinics were held and one flue clinic for children. 175 patients were seen with a total of 449 vaccines given.

Vital records continue to be busy with 105 birth certificates issued, 19 were free birth certificates. A total of 233 certified death certificates were requested for the month of January.

There are 208 food establishments currently doing business in Cass County. Of the 208 food establishments, 175 have permits issued for 2015. Letters have been sent to the remaining 34 food establishments informing them they must renew their permits along with late fees by February 28th.

The following complaints have been addressed; 11 insect, 1 residential mold, 1 Meth complaint and investigated 1 deceased animal complaint. One tattoo parlor permit and 1 tattoo artist permit were issued.

Dr. Martin and Bob have been working on the yearend report for our grants with the State's Local Health Maintenance fund and the Trust Fund (formerly known as Tobacco Settlement) and the yearly board reports.

The Health Department is requesting permission to hire a part time receptionist. The position is paid through the Local Health Maintenance and is an approved position. The position is for 28 hours a week at a rate of \$10.00 per hour. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request to fill the part-time position at the Health Department, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Jim Sailors invited Jeremy Hall to introduce himself to the attendees of the Cass County Commissioner meeting. Jeremy will be in charge of Human Resources for all of County Government. His office is located in room 202 of the Government Building.

PROSECUTOR

Lisa Swaim appeared before the Commissioners requesting to hire a temporary part-time worker for the Title 4-D Department. The position will be funded with 4-D incentive money. Ralph Anderson made a motion to allow the temporary part-time worker for the Title 4-D Department, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS


There were no appointments today. Jim Sailors requested that appointments be placed on the next agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN

Beth Liming, Clerk of the Courts informed the Commissioners that the Cass County Election Board met and it is their recommendation that the Benjamin Long Center should no longer be used as a vote center. The Senior Center and Logansport Mall would use the voting equipment that was at the Benjamin Long Center. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Cass County Election Boards recommendation to no longer use the Benjamin Long Center as a vote center, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dale Seward appeared in regards to the Commissioners decision to his proposal presented at the January 19th meeting. Jim Sailors informed him that the proposal would be addressed at the February 17th meeting.

There were no other comments. Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Jim Sailors, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



Jeff LeDonne, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor