

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JULY 6, 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 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, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

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

PARK DEPARTMENT

Dana Hildebrand appeared before the Commissioners and presented his report. The swimming lake has risen over 12 inches, taking up most of the beach area. The fishing lake culvert has been repaired twice this month from where it was washed out from the water flow. Several of the primitive camping spots are still under water and so are a few of the modern camping spots.

The AMA MAXC Motor Cross event was the weekend of June 27th and 28th. Attendance was down from last year due to weather conditions. Riders from all over the United States and Canada attended. The event brought in revenue totaling \$9,910.00. AMA Maxxc received \$2,964.00, which left the park with \$6,946.00. Mike Gibbs with AMA Maxxc did mention the possibility of having a single day event in November. This race took a toll on the bike trails and with the wet weather, the repairs to the trails have not happened as of this date.

Preparations are complete for the upcoming 4th of July weekend. Almost all the camping spots are full and the Park is mechanically functioning as needed. The Park store is doing well and only opened Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

CCED

Christy Householder appeared before the Commissioners and presented her report. The Shovel Ready application preparation for the Cass County Agribusiness Park is in the process. All county tax abatements have been reviewed and approved. Cass County is going to work together with Miami County and the city of Peru in securing a Brownfield Grant.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners and presented the monthly Highway Department report. Heavy rains and thunderstorms have consumed man hours placing and picking up signs, repairing washouts and water-related problems, also cleaning up downed trees. We have worked 115 man hours of overtime during June. Although a few washouts were significant, we did not have any catastrophic failures of roads or structures.

Aside from urgent issues, all forces have been devoted to hole patching and repairing roads. So far, of 1.8 million dollars budgeted for road patching and surfacing materials, \$539,000.00 has been spent just for patching and repairs. This includes pug mix which will be used mostly for patching of failed areas.

We worked with Logansport's department of public works to try a different solution to the continued problem of trucks turning onto eastbound Monticello Road instead of US 24/35. Road closed

barricades were placed last week at Beckman Drive for eastbound Monticello Road. Additionally, the city placed some additional signage at the intersection of Humphrey Street and Monticello Road to turn trucks around and to further discourage going east in the westbound lanes. A larger informational sign is going up near the west intersection of Monticello Road and US 24/35 this week.

Attorney John Hillis opened the following bids for a tractor and mower for the Highway Department:

Koenig Equipment	
P.O. Box 549	
Botkins, Ohio 45306-0549	
Case IH PUMA 150 Tractor	94,900.00
Koenig Equipment	
P.O. Box 549	
Botkins, Ohio 45306-0549	
New Rhino DB150 Ditchbank Rotary Cutter	9,150.00
New Holland Logansport	
2079 S. U.S. 35	
Logansport, IN 46947	
New Holland Tractor T7 170	105,000.00
Alamo Mower	16,500.00
Tri Green Tractor	
725 Burlington Ave.	
Logansport, IN 46947	
John Deere 6155R Cab Tractor	119,183.86
Southeastern Equipment Co., INC	
3333 W. Coliseum Blvd.	
Fort Wayne, IN 46808	
2015 Hyundai HL955	152,300.00
Southeastern Equipment Co., INC	
3333 W. Coliseum Blvd.	
Fort Wayne, IN 46808	
Alamo Exten A Kut Mower	14,750.00
B & W Equipment Co.,INC	
5810 Moeller Road	
Fort Wayne, IN 46806	
2015 Doosan DL300 Wheel Loader	154,410.13
2015 Doosan DL 300 Wheel Loader	
With Option 3 CuYd Bucket W/Boce installed	
With trade (30,000.00)	174,524.13
2015 Doosan DL 300 Wheel Loader	184,410.13
2015 Doosan DL 300 Wheel Loader	
With Option 3 CuYd Bucket W/Boce installed	204,524.13
RPM Machinery	
2691 Schuyler Ave	
Lafayette, IN 47905	
2015 Case 821F T4 Final 4wd Wheel Loader	
With trade (40,000)	150,600.00

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

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners and presented an Ordinance to create a Sheriff Non-Reverting Training Fund, established under IC code 33-37-5-8. The sheriff will also present

this to the Council at their July 17th meeting. Ralph Anderson made a motion to take this Ordinance under advisement, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

WORK RELEASE

Dave Wegner appeared before the Commissioners with a request to replace two part-time correction officers and hire a case manager. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS

The appointments will be done at the next Commissioner meeting.

AMEND COMMISSIONER MEETING DATE

The Commissioners must change their meeting dates due to the additional holiday added last month. The Commissioners will meet Tuesday January 19th instead of January 18th, 2016. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the change to the Commissioner meeting dates, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting dates for 2016 are below.

Mon. January 4, 2016	1:00 PM
Tues. January 19, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. February 1, 2016	1:00 PM
Tues. February 16, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. March 7, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. March 21, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. April 4, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. April 18, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. May 2, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. May 16, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. June 6, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. June 20, 2016	9:00 AM
Tues. July 5, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. July 18, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. August 1, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. August 15, 2016	9:00 AM
Tues. September 6, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. September 19, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. October 3, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. October 17, 2016	9:00 AM
Mon. November 7, 2016	1:00 PM
Mon. November 21, 2016	9:00 AM

Mon. December 5, 2016 1:00 PM

Mon. December 19, 2016 9:00 AM

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

Mike Deitrich, who lives at 4507 W. Co.Rd. 325 S., appeared before the Commissioners and inquired as to when a section of the road off of the Hoosier Heartland will be completed. Jeff Smith, Cass County Highway Superintendent, responded to the question. This portion of the road will receive triple chip seal.

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION

Jim Sailors called the meeting to order. Jim introduced Jason Semler from Umbagh and Associates to give a presentation. Jason presented a financial overview for the Lease Rental Bonds of 2015. Net proceeds available for projects, \$8,045,000.00, redemption of the 2015 BAN, 2,062,011.00, capitalized interest, \$81,843.00, allowance for Underwriter's discount(1.0%) \$85,500.00, bond issuance costs and contingencies, \$175,646.00, total illustrative project costs, \$10,450,000.00. The estimated tax rate of \$0.0795 is proposed. The bond could be paid back within 10 years.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

Attorney John Hillis addressed the Commissioners and presented the following documents:

Cass County Government Building Corporation, board of directors:

Mike Kinsey
2016 Oxford Way
Logansport, IN 46947
Claude Bailey
908 W. Miami
Logansport, IN 46947
James Donato
1315 Kiesling Road
Logansport, IN 46947

Petition of taxpayer's signatures

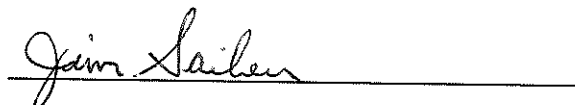
Appraisals of the Cass County Jail and Cass County Government Center

General Form of Lease of Cass County Holding Corporation

Attorney John Hillis presented Resolution 2015-02, to the Commissioners for their consideration. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-02 as presented, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSE HEARING


Ralph Anderson made a motion to close the hearing, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Jim Sailors, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President


Jeff LeDonne, Member

ATTEST: 
Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor