

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 16, 2015

The Cass County Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Jeff LeDonne, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Commissioner President Jim Sailors opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AMEND AGENDA

Ralph Anderson made a motion to amend the agenda to make item number 11 Ordinance for Compression Brakes, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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 & Payroll as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners and presented the monthly report of the Sheriff Department:

PRISONER BOOKINGS	198
PRISONERS RELEASED	186
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	2,749
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	15,157
OFFICER PATROL MILES	38,692
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	187
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS	141
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	4
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	42
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	45
PROPERTY DAMAGE	33
PERSONAL INJURY	12
FATALITIES	0
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	67.5
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,353
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	477

Sheriff Pryor informed the Commissioners that the Jail was over 80% full. Sheriff Pryor requested permission to replace a part – time Corrections Officer. Jeff LeDonne made a motion to approve the request to replace a part – time Corrections Officer, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Sheriff will be providing the county attorney with a new contract for inmate phones to review.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Richard Gundrum appeared before the Commissioners and presented his monthly report. Richard continues to be very busy with the construction and renovation to the

Government Building. Richard coordinated an electrical investigation and monitoring of all electrical equipment at the Jail. The engineer looked at the masonry brick which is separating from the masonry block at the north east corner of the Work Release building. The engineers are putting together a recommendation for fixing the wall.

Steinberger Construction cleaned and patched the gutters on the buildings located on High Street. A sketch was received from the engineer to shore up the north wall of the barn at the Family Opportunity Center. This should be completed in the next two weeks.

The power lines were moved on Saturday November 7th by Logansport Municipal Utilities. The NIPSCO gas meter relocation has been approved. The underground storage tank permit was approved. The Cass County Highway took the diesel fuel from the underground tank. Richard coordinated the moving of the badge reader to the west doors of the Government Building.

I.T. DEPARTMENT

Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly I.T. report. The I.T. Department was very busy this month with the election. Cj had Eli working with him so that he would be familiar with the voting system. There was a lot of preparation for the electrical move on the 7th of November. I.T. went through the whole building and worked with everyone to get every computer and copy machine unplugged to help prevent damage from a possible power surge. Eli worked with Richard to be sure that everything went smooth when reconnected.

I.T. is working with Richard on construction related issues as they come up and I.T. is trying to stay ahead of construction related issues. The move of the building Security Department went well, the phone and security camera monitor are working at the temporary location.

ELECTRICAL BIDS

Attorney John Hillis opened the following bids:

Fissell Electric Service INC 128 Tacoma Avenue P.O. Box 333 Logansport, IN 469	\$29,500.00 \$2,300.00(Cost for two year maintenance and testing agreement on completed system)
L-A Electric 902 Incentive Drive Fort Wayne, IN 46825	\$32,292.00 \$2,756.00(Cost for two year maintenance and testing agreement on completed system)
Dilling Group, INC. 111 E. Mildred Street P.O. Box 47 Logansport, IN 46947	\$33,900.00 \$2,900.00(Cost for two year maintenance and testing agreement on completed system)

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

JAIL BIDS

The Commissioners received only one bid for the Jail construction and have decided to decline the bid. The Commissioners will re-advertise and seek additional bids. Ralph Anderson made a motion to decline the one Jail bid received and re-advertise for bids, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

WABASH RIVER HERITAGE CORRIDOR COMMISSION

The Commissioners are appointing to the Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission, Arin Shaver, Planning Department, Primary and Dana Hildebrand, Park Superintendent, Secondary. Ralph Anderson made a motion to appoint Arin Shaver as Primary and Dana Hildebrand as secondary, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously. This becomes Resolution 2015-7.

PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD

Ralph Anderson made a motion to appoint Jody Malott to the Public Defender Board, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

200th ANNIVERSARY FLAG PROCLAMATION

On December 11th of 2015 the Cass County Commissioners will raise a flag and read a proclamation at the flag pole located at the Cass County Jail 100 Court Park to acknowledge the celebration of the State of Indiana's 200th year.

MONTICELLO ROAD ORDINANCE

An ordinance was presented to the Commissioners to limit the use of engine compression brakes on truck traffic using certain county roads in Washington Township. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the ordinance that would limit the use of engine compression brakes on truck traffic using certain county roads in Washington Township, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously. This will be ordinance 2015-19.


PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN

Lisa Hood, who resides at 947 Sherman Street appeared before the Commissioner and on behalf of her husband Larry Hood, City Councilman elect, thanked the Commissioners for establishing an ordinance for use of compression brakes on trucks.


Ralph Anderson announced that his granddaughter Jozlyn Rose Holcomb is home from the hospital and weighs 5lb 6oz.

Jim Sailors announced that the Government Building will be closed on December 21st from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the County Christmas Party.

There were no other public comments. Ralph Anderson make 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