

## CASS COUNTY COUNCIL June 18, 2021

The Cass County Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Brian Reed, Bruce Ide, Dean Davenport, Grover Bishop, Damon Foreman, Dave Redweik, Tracy Williamson, Attorney Jeff Stanton, and Auditor Cheryl Alcorn.

Brian Reed opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence following.

**MEETING MINUTES** – Grover Bishop made a motion to approve meeting minutes as presented, Dave Redweik seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS –**

- Council requested additional appropriation from Capital Non-Reverting Fund 2502 in the amount of \$53,290 for litigation fee of Redweik vs County Council.

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve additional appropriation from Fund 2502 in the amount of \$53,290, Tracy Williamson seconded. Motion carried 5 in favor; 2 opposed. Dave Redweik and Dean Davenport opposed.

- Sheriff Schroder requested additional appropriation from General Fund 1000 in the amount of \$260,000 for inmate housing costs.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve additional appropriation from Fund 1000 in the amount of \$260,000, Tracy Williamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- Judge Muehlhausen requested additional appropriation from General Fund 1000 in the amount of \$18,000 for mental health exams.

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve additional appropriation from Fund 1000 in the amount of \$18,000, Bruce Ide seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- Prosecutor Office requested additional appropriation from Pre-Trial Diversion Fund 2529 in the amount of \$13,600.

Bruce Ide made a motion to approve additional appropriation from Fund 2529 in the amount of \$13,600, Tracy Williamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- Arin Shaver requested additional appropriation from Planning Non-reverting Fund 2520 in the amount of \$27,420 for new software program through Schneider Geospatial's GeoPermits.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve additional appropriation from Fund 2520 in the amount of \$27,420, Grover Bishop seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- Judge Kitts requested additional appropriation from General Fund 1000 in the amount of \$2,700 for parenting class service contract with Four County.

Bruce Ide made a motion to approve additional appropriation from Fund 1000 in the amount of \$2,700, Grover Bishop seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- Judge Kitts requested additional appropriation from General Fund 1000 in the amount of \$36,000 for Petit Jury costs.

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve the additional appropriation from Fund 1000 in the amount of \$36,000, Bruce Ide seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**ABATEMENTS** – Christy Householder, Economic Development Director, presented the following companies compliance documents for continued abatement 2021/payable 2022. Christy informed the Council all documents have been reviewed by Economic Development Director and Assessor’s Office. All companies were found to be in compliance with exception of Tree Worx.

Left Bank Properties, LLC  
Standard Fusee/Orion Safety Products  
SUS Cast Products, Inc.  
The Anderson’s Clymers Ethanol, LLC

Bruce Ide made a motion to allow the abatements to continue for all companies in compliance with paperwork, Tracy Williamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**EXTENSION OFFICE** – Lynn Korniak informed the Council of the newly established internship reimbursement program offered by the City of Logansport. The program is at no cost to the county. Extension Office is currently searching for a college student to participate in the program. Upon reimbursement the funds will need to be appropriated to the extension office budget.

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS** – Dave Wegner informed Council the 2022 Community Corrections DOC Grant Applications are in the final stages. Awards will be announced this fall. Applications and reports are available on the Community Corrections website. House Bill 1068 recently created a Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council (JRAC), made up of criminal justice partners to identify needs without duplicating services and establish goals. JRAC will hold first meeting this July.

**COURT & PRETRIAL SERVICES** – Hillary Hartion distributed semi-annual update reports to Council members. Within the first two months of newly created department the case manager passed Probation Officer Exam and director was accepted into the National Association of Pretrial Services certification program and achieved status as a Nationally Certified Pretrial Services Professional. These certifications will open doors for future grant funding. Pretrial Services currently has 58 active clients, a 16% increase from last month, and served a total of 62 clients for the month of May for an estimated cost savings of \$63,400.

**2022 MEETING SCHEDULE** – Brian Reed presented the 2022 meeting schedule for approval. Government building will be closed on the third Friday in April for Good Friday holiday. Discussion followed to determine alternative meeting date; April 8<sup>th</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve 2022 Meeting Schedule to include April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Bruce Ide seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** None

**ADJOURNMENT** – Dave Redweik made a motion to adjourn, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Brian Reed, President



Tracy Williamson, Vice President



Grover Bishop



Dave Redweik



Dean Davenport



Damon Foreman



Bruce Ide

ATTEST:



Cheryl Alcorn Auditor