

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 20, 2009

The Cass County Commissioners met at 10:00 a.m. in attendance were Dave Arnold, Gene Powlen, John Hillis, Attorney and Vaneen Ide, Auditor. Dave Arnold opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES & UTILITY/PAYROLL

Gene Powlen made a motion to accept the minutes, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Dave Arnold made a motion to accept the Utility and Payroll claims, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY

Steve Easley appeared and gave the Commissioners an update on the roads that are still closed due to the flooding. There seems to be an elevation problem with Co. Rd. 800 E. just north of its intersection with CR 800 north. Co. Rd. 800 north between Co.Rd. 600 E. and Co Rd 800 N.has been pumped before, may be dealing with a broken field tile. The 2008 annual operational report for the Cass County Highway Department is ready for review. The River Bank Clean-Up project went very well, CCHD disposed of three truck loads of trash. CCHD also assisted EMA with a clean-up project they did at their facility on April 11th. Jeff Smith represented the CCHD at a two day LTAP- Federal Highway Administration sponsored safety audit training seminar in Plymouth on April 16th and 17th. Steve Easley attended a Local Bridge Call for Projects public meeting at INDOT- Laporte . Application for Bridge #19 was not accepted. The CCHD will purchase salt through INDOT with the approval of the Commissioners. The Commissioners agreed that this was a good avenue to pursue. Frank Smith with Downey Insurance conducted forklift training for eight employees. The training included class room instruction and hands-on.

Jeff Smith told the Commissioners that bids are ready for Bridge #13 and #23 . Bridge #123 at Lewisburg received an award from the American Concrete Institute. A traffic count is underway on Co.

Rd. 275 West. The work on Chase Road project continues to be on schedule. Punch list work from our final inspection of Co. Rd. 600 E. is currently underway.

At this time the bids were opened by Attorney John Hillis for the Highway Department for more or less MC-0 grade bituminous materials and more or less AE grades bituminous materials

Marathon Petroleum Co. Indianapolis, IN (F.O.B. Jobsite Delivery)

AE-90, RS2, AE-T	\$1.9088 per gallon
AE-PL (dust control oil)	\$1.9088 per gallon

Escalation Clause

Bit-Mat Ashley, IN (unit price delivered)

More than 400,000 gallons of MC-O.....	\$2.45/gallon
Less than 400,000 gallons of MC-O.....	\$2.45/gallon

400,000 gallons or more AE grades Bituminous Materials

AE-90	\$1.8505
RS – 2	\$1.805
AE-T	\$1.805
AE-PL	\$1.8505
AE-90S	\$2.0505

400,000 gallons or less AE grades Bituminous Materials

AE-90	\$1.8505
RS – 2	\$1.805
AE-T	\$1.805
AE-PL	\$1.8505

AE-90S \$2.0505

Escalation Clause

Asphalt Materials, Inc., Indianapolis, IN

A. F.O.B. County Storage	Cent/Gal	Dollars/Ton
1. Asphalt Emulsion:		
a. RS-2, AE-60, AE-90,AE-T	\$1.7955	\$420.93
b. AE-SP, AE-PL	\$1.7955	\$430.93
c. AE-150, AE-200	\$1.8955	\$454.93
d. AE-300	\$2.0039	\$480.93
f. AE-90S, AE-90P	\$2.6289	\$630.93
g. AE-P	\$3.0629	\$765.73
2. MC, all grades	\$3.0629	\$765.73
3. CM grades		
a. CM-90	\$2.7322	\$655.73
b. CM-150	\$2.7822	\$667.73
c. CM-300	\$2.9155	\$699.73

B.F.O.B. Vender Storage: Vendor to furnish one 10,000 gallon portable storage tank.

1. Asphalt Emulsions:		
a. RS-2, AE-60, AE-90,AE-T	\$1.8055	\$433.33
b. AE-SP, AE-PL	\$1.8055	\$433.33
c. AE-150, AE-200	\$1.9055	\$457.33
d. AE-300	\$2.1039	\$483.33
e. HFRS-2	\$1.8555	\$445.33
f. AE-90S,AE-90P	\$2.6389	\$633.33

g. AE-P	\$3.0725	\$768.13
2. MC, all grades:	\$3.0725	\$768.13
3. CM grades:		
a. CM-90	\$2.7522	\$660.53
b. CM-150	\$2.8022	\$672.53
c. CM-300	\$2.9355	\$704.53

C.F.O.B. Job Site Delivery: Truck transport delivered to road site and county to pump off.

1 .Asphalt Emulsions:

a. RS-2, AE-60, AE-90, AE-T	\$1.8255	\$438.13
b. AE-SP, AE-PL	\$1.8255	\$438.13
c. AE-150, AE-200	\$1.9255	\$462.13
d. AE-300	\$2.0339	\$488.13
e. HFRS-2	\$1.8755	\$450.13
f. AE-90S, AE-90P	\$2.6589	\$638.13
g. AE-P	\$3.0917	\$772.93
2. MC, all grades:	\$3.0917	\$772.93
3. CM grades:		
a. CM-90	\$2.7622	\$662.93
b. CM-150	\$2.8122	\$674.93
c. CM-300	\$2.9455	\$706.93

Escalation and De-Escalation Clause

Bids were accepted and a motion was made by Gene Powlen to take them under advisement, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Gene Isaacs appeared to request replacement of a full-time corrections officer. This position is already in the budget. Gene Powlen made a motion, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The Sheriff then requested that all funds collected for extra lunches purchased by employees be placed in the General Fund. Dave Arnold made a motion, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IT

Ed Behler appeared before the Commissioners in regard to grant that will run out in June for one of the IT people. The Commissioners will take under advisement and table any decision until the May 4th meeting. Dave Arnold made a motion, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CASS AREA TRANSIT

Sue Hoehler appeared before the Commissioners about a grant that the Cass Area Transit was ready to submit. If their application is accepted they would receive \$942,000.00 for use to construct a new garage and remodel the existing garage into additional office space. John Hillis, attorney pointed out some terminology that needed to be changed. Gene Powlen made a motion, to accept the grant with corrections, Dave Arnold, seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

EMA

Alvin Beckman appeared before the Commissioners for the opening of bids. The bids that were presented and tabled at the April 6th meeting were resubmitted.

Krysevig Electric, INC Logansport, IN	\$16,320.00
Shepler Construction Co. INC Logansport, IN	\$15,450.64
Dilling Mechanical Electrical Contractors, INC Logansport, IN	\$27,815.00

Gene Powlen made a motion to take the bids under advisement, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Alvin presented the Commissioners with an application for a Grant that will pay ½ of his salary and benefits. It is EDS#C44P-9-615A which is from the State and will reimburse back to the General Fund. Dave Arnold made a motion, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Banter at 5007 High Street Road appeared before the Commissioners requesting information on how to vacate an alley located at 1586 S. Georgetown Market Street. Dave Arnold fielded her questions, John Hillis, Attorney encouraged her to retain an attorney so that all the paperwork was in order.

Skip Kuker appeared before the Commissioners with the most recent unemployment rates. The March unemployment rate for Cass County has risen to 12.8% from the February rate of 12.0% the ranking versus the other 92 counties in Indiana, Cass County places 40th for Labor Force, 41st for Employed and 39th for Unemployed.

According to the Indiana Department of workforce Development, Cass County, for the week ending the 28th of March, there were 255 initial claims in Cass County, with 1320 persons continuing claims for that same week.

Miami County is at 15.1%

White County is at 11.9%

Howard County is at 13.7%

Carroll County is at 10.2%

Fulton County is at 13.5%

Dave Arnold made a motion to adjourn, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Dave Arnold, President

Jim Sailors, Vice President

Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST:

Vaneen M. Ide