

## **CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

The Cass County Commissioners met at 1:00 p.m. In attendance were Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors, Gene Powlen, John Hillis, Attorney and Vaneen Ide, Auditor. Dave Arnold opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **AMEND AGENDA**

Between item 3 and 4 the Animal Shelter was added. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the change in agenda, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **MINUTES & EXPENSE CLAIMS/PAYROLL**

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the October 5, 2009 minutes, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the October 19, 2009 Claims and Payroll, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the claims for November 2, 2009, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **ANIMAL SHELTER**

Kim Kessler appeared before the Commissioners with a request for an additional appropriation. Gene Powlen made a motion to give the Council a positive recommendation for additional funds. Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. It was recommended that Kim should start taking bids for the LP gas that the Animal Shelter uses.

### **HIGHWAY**

Steve Easley presented his monthly report to the Commissioners. CCHD workers have started preparing for various weather events. Sand boxes and spreaders are being installed on the trucks. Steve recently attended the Indiana Public Employer's Plan Inc annual safety training seminar sponsored by Downey Insurance. The seminar focused on slips, trips and falls. Recent changes in laws regarding CDL substance abuse testing and changes in 811 legislation(Holey Moley) that pertain to locating utilities prior to digging.

The CCHD is continuing to work with the I.T. department to make information regarding Cass County road projects, closures/delays, permitting, public problem notification, etc. available via a website/link. The CCHD is also in the process of re-stating the 2007 five-year County Road Maintenance Plan. We have just completed the second year. Funds are a concern and a new plan should be developed.

Jeff Smith informed the Commissioner's that the ARRA- funded resurfacing work is now completed on Logansport Road, 700 E and a small part of 400 S. Traffic control signs still need to be installed within the next few weeks. Work on Bridge #23 west of Royal Center started last week. The old structure is out and pile driving for the new bridge was expected to begin on October 30. Work on bridge #13 is awaiting a utility relocation by Verizon. Verizon may get the line moved by the end of the week. NIPSCO's relocation was completed on October 27.

A public hearing was held on the Chase Road project on October 27, there was a good turnout for the meeting and four public comments were offered during the hearing. Public coment period runs through November 10. Efforts to install lights or lights with gates at two Norfolk-Southern railroad crossing in/near Clymers have begun. The crossings on CR 400 W and CR 400S are double-track crossing on a skew, and will likely see increased vehicle traffic volumes when the Hoosier Heartland Highway is completed.

The application for additional federal funding on the Chase Road project will be made by November 23. The 300 S project is proceeding on schedule. Right-of -Way acquisition is underway and offers to affected property owners will be made very soon.

### **HIGHWAY BIDS**

The following companies submitted bids for:

Culvert and Bridge materials  
Equipment Rental for Bridge or Culvert removal, repair and replacement  
Gravel and Sand  
Crushed stone  
Hot Mix  
Cold Mix  
Pug Mix  
Gasoline unleaded  
On road Diesel fuels  
Off road Diesel fuel  
Tires  
Dust Control Substance  
Paint with application  
Repairs parts and accessories for trucks, tractors, and other equipment

CPI Supply  
2900 Mitchell Road  
P.O. Box 249  
Bedford, In 47421

Engineering Aggregates Corp.  
P.O. Box 538  
Logansport, IN 46947

Hanson Aggregates Midwest  
Miner Quarry  
3571 West 500 South  
Peru, IN 46970

Central Paving, INC.  
P.O. Box 357  
Logansport, IN 46947

North Central Co-Op  
P.O. Box 299  
Wabash, IN 46992

St. Regis Culvert INC.  
1101 S, Kitley  
Indianapolis, IN 46203

Logansport Automotive, INC.  
NAPA Auto Parts  
801 E, Market Street  
P.O. Box 617  
Logansport, IN 46947

The Airmarking Co., INC.  
1544 N. SR 25  
P.O. Box 526  
Rochester, IN 46975

Blackman Excavating, INC.  
9131 N. ST RD 119  
Monticello, IN 47960

Petroleum Traders Corporation  
7120 Pointe Inverness Way  
Fort Wayne, IN 46804

AJP Corporation  
803 Logan Street  
Goshen, IN 46528

American Timber Bridge  
14279 CB MacDonald Way  
Vicksburg, MI 49097

Indy Tire Centers  
1718 W. Havens

Kokomo, IN 46901

Independent Concrete Pipe Company-Indiana Division  
2050 Harding Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46221

McCord Tire Group  
U. S. 24 W.  
P.O. Box 743  
Monticello, IN 47960

Tredroc Tire Service  
3326 South 460 East  
Lafayette, IN

Applied Industrial Technologies  
1824 Touby Pike, Suite A  
Kokomo, IN 46901

Green Power, I NC.  
725 Burlington Ave.  
Logansport, IN 469447

Highway Safety Services, INC.  
P.O. Box 4697  
Lafayette, IN 47903

Cass County Tire, INC.  
2665 E. Market Street  
Logansport, IN 46947

Gene Powlen made a motion to take the bids under advisement, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The bids will be awarded at the next meeting November 16 at 10:00 a.m.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Cass County Christmas Party will be held on December 21. The Cass County Government Building will be closed from 11 a.m. til 1 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN**

Skip Kuker gave the Commissioner's an update on Conner Sawmill. They are moving one of the heat treat trailers so they can proceed with that project. Skip informed the Commissioners that he would have results on the wind study for the December meeting.

No other comments. Gene Powlen made a motion to adjourn, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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Dave Arnold, President

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Jim Sailors, Vice President

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Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor