

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JANUARY 19, 2010

The Cass County Commissioners met at 10:00 a.m. In attendance were Dave Arnold, Jim Sailors and John Hillis, Attorney and Vaneen Ide, Auditor. Gene Powlen was absent from the meeting.

AMEND AGENDA

The agenda was amended between item three and four the hiring of E-911 director and between item four and five Cass County Highway for CEDIT funds.

MINUTES

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 4th meeting as presented, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the payroll and claims as presented, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

COMBINED DISPATCH DIRECTOR

The former director of E-911 has submitted her letter of resignation to the Cass County Commissioners. Jim Sailors made a motion to advertise for a director's position, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Gene Isaacs appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report for the Jail. He also presented his year in figures. For the month of December:

Prisoner Bookings	144
Miles Transporting Prisoners	1,534
Meals Served To Prisoners	16,604
Officer Patrol Miles	49,924
Traffic Warnings Issued	39
Traffic Arrests/Citations	24
DM Arrests	7

Criminal Arrests	8
Accident Investigations	85
Property Damage	72

Personal Injury 13
Fatalities 0
Reserve Officer Hours 85
Civil Process Mileage 3,050
Civil Process Papers Served 900

Yearend report for 2009:

Prisoner Bookings 1,969
Miles Transporting Prisoners 41,498
Meals Served To Prisoners 184,326
Officer Patrol Miles 469,505
Traffic Warnings Issued 499
Traffic Arrests/Citations 667
DWI Arrests 104
Criminal Arrests 113
Accident Investigations 529
Property Damage 439
Personal Injury 85
Fatalities 5
Reserve Officer Hours 2,610
Civil Process Mileage 33,360
Civil Process Papers Served 11,926

Sheriff Gene Isaacs also requested permission to replace one full time cook, and one full time secretary. Dave Arnold reminded the Sheriff that the positions need to be posted and proper paper work for the new hires completed. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the filling of the positions at the Jail, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY

Steve Easley appeared to request a positive recommendation to the Cass County Council for the distribution of CEDIT funds for county road 300 S. in the sum of \$255,408 and for Chase Road in the sum of \$250,000. Jim Sailors made a motion to send a positive recommendation to the Council, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

I.T.

Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report. The I.T. department had only one large project this past month dealing with a new system for the Assessor's office. A new server and all desktops are now installed and functional. There were a few issues that Manatron is looking into to correct. The Sheriff's department also kept the I. T. department busy with new computer for the new Sheriff's car. There was an issue with the jail door system. New Paris worked with us to get a telephone line run to that system to help in the future. I.T. also did some work with the Health department and setup e-mail addresses and fixed some software problems. Some of our time was spent at the Annex building. There is still quite a lot to do. I. T. is also working with Sandy Ford in E-911 about doing training on the system, such as the recording system to assist her and the new director.

CORONER

George Franklin appeared before the Commissioners to request the following people to be Deputy Coroners:

Dan Williams
Brian Army
Jamie Krock
Carie Hopper
Casey Hill

They have all completed the state certification to serve as deputy coroners. Dave Arnold reminded George that they still need to follow the same hiring policy of the county even though they are not paid through county payroll. Background check and drug screen must be completed. George is to set this up with Dave Patty in Security. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the additional deputies, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

Sandy Heckard appeared before the Commissioners to request permission to hire 19 seasonal workers. Once again Dave Arnold reiterated that all hires must have a background check and drug screen even if they are part-time seasonal help. Jim Sailors made the motion to begin hiring seasonal help for the Park Department, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION

Beth Lining appeared before the Commissioners to inform them that she is applying for a HAVA grant to improve the lighting at the Government Building garage and at the Senior Citizen Center. Both of these facilities are used as vote centers. Time limit is 6 years for the life of the improvement. If the buildings are no longer used for the purpose of voting, the improvement monies are to be returned to

the County. The deadline for the submission of the Grant is February 1st. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the contract with the Senior Center, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Beth also addressed the Commissioners about the contract with the vote center sites. The Logansport Mall has asked for a temporary agreement for the use of the facility. Each location has committed for use as a vote center. CJ Gilsinger from I.T. is checking all of the internet connections to verify that they are in working order for the upcoming election. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the vote center locations, all are previous center sites, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Dave Wegner appeared before the Commissioners in regards to an error in the 2010 budget. Randy Rozzi, Case Manager for the Cass/ Pulaski Community Corrections Department. Mr. Rozzi's salary was established in 2009 at \$25,000. Dave unintentionally set his 2010 salary at \$24,240. With the 1% raise approved by the Council his salary should be \$25,250. Dave Arnold made a motion for a positive recommendation to the Council to adjust the salary, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS

The Cass County Commissioners made the following appointments:

Board of Health

4 year term

Dr. Doi Ditty

Zina Binell (replaces Dr. Stephen Sauers who resigned)

Gary Davis

Logansport Plan Commission

4 year term

Penny Bannon

Judy Bulkhart

PTOBOA Board

1 year term

Tom Scheetz

Robert Cree

Wabash River Heritage

2 year term

Ain Shaver

Janet Fawley (alt)

Mercedes Bugh (alt)

Cass County E911 Central Dispatch Governing Board

4 year term

Citizen of Cass County

Ed Schroder (replaces Ron Miller who resigned)

Dave Arnold noted that Ain Shaver was made a permanent member of the Wabash River Heritage and Jan Fawley requested that she be made an alternative. Jim Sailors made a motion to accept the appointees as presented, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

John Hillis pointed out to the Commissioners that the Health Department should have their attorney reappointed for another year. At this time the Commissioners agreed to reappoint Jeff Stanton. Dave Arnold made a motion to appoint Jeff Stanton as Health Department attorney, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

There were no public comments. Dave Arnold made a motion to adjourn, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Arnold, President

Jim Sailors, Vice President

Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST: _____

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor