

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JULY 6, 2010

The Cass County commissioners met at 1:00 p.m. In attendance were Dave Arnold, Gene Powlen, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide, Jim Sailors was absent.

MINUTES

Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the payroll and claims with the exception of two claim checks numbers 12320 and 12319 from Fund 437, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. Bennett appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly report of the Health Department. The final draft of the proposed 2010 Food Ordinance has been completed and submitted to the Health Department Attorney for review. After the review, the proposed Food Ordinance will be presented to the Cass County Council and Commissioners for approval. There have been numerous complaints concerning mosquito breeding grounds throughout the county. The summer intern is very busy locating and treating these sites.

The nursing division has been very busy with vaccine clinics. There are three new vaccine requirements for this upcoming school year for 6th through 12th grade. An evening clinic was held at M-Hale auditorium on June 2nd. Numerous vaccines were given. All 4 county nurses assisted with this clinic. The Health Educator attended a conference in Indianapolis organized by the Indiana Tobacco Prevention and Cessation.

Mr. Arnold informed the Health Department that their sign should be installed by next week.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Steve Easley appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly report of the Highway Department. The month of June brought heavy rains and several roads with high water. The CCHD spent time clearing culverts and pipes where restrictions or total blockages were present. The 2010 Road Remediation Plan is ready to start. There are 29.1 miles targeted for chip and seal. The highway department has also identified 71.7 miles of road that our Total Patcher crews will be assigned to remediate. County road 300 S. projects is about to begin and people are encouraged to avoid this project area and find alternative routes.

Jeff Smith presented his report to the Cass County Commissioners. Brooks Construction is set to begin work on their contractual portions of the Hoosier Heartland Highway near Clymers. They will be working in the areas north and south of the current bridge projects. The CR 200 East resurfacing project is complete to include final inspection. Several issues have

developed in the remediation of Logansport Road. The County is requesting that E & B Paving temporarily cease all activities until an evaluation of what has been completed to date can be made. The acquisition of right-of-way for the Chase Road project continues.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Gene Isaacs appeared before the Commissioners with a request to fill the vacated positions of two full time CO. Dave Arnold made a motion to approve the filling of the vacated positions, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Sheriff also requested permission to fill the position of a part-time civil process server. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the filling of the part-time process server, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Sheriff presented an Ordinance to the Commissioners for the collection of monies for the registration of sex offenders. This Ordinance will be presented to the Commissioners and Council for adoption. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the Ordinance 10-04 Establishing an Annual Sex or Violent Offender Registration Fee, a Sex or Violent Offender Address Change Fee, and Establishing the Cass County Sex or Violent Offender Administration Non-Reverting Fund, Dave Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously. This ordinance will be presented to the Cass County Council on July 16th for their approval.

FIRE DISTRICTS

Tom Knepper appeared on behalf of Clay, Eel and Noble townships to present the paper work required to establish a Fire District. The township trustees have met with the Department of Local Government and with their attorney and it has been established that sufficient funds are available to adopt and finance this fire district. The station will be manned 24/7. Gene Powlen feels the Commissioners should move forward with this endeavor. Gene Powlen made a motion to adopt the ordinance establishing a fire district in Cass County with Eel, Clay and Noble Townships, Dave Arnold seconded.

The next meeting the Commissioners will begin to appoint the Fire District board.

INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT

Cass County I.T. Director Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners with an overview of how the inter-local agreement with Fulton County would work. This agreement will allow Cass County to have an approved disaster recovery plan as recommended by State Board of Accounts. Both Cass and Fulton County use the same software companies and this will allow the interfacing of information regarding payroll, taxes and claims. This will allow our county to continue to perform in the event of an emergency.

EASEMENT

Mr. Hettmansperger appeared before the Commissioners in regards to an easement. Mr. Arnold and Attorney John Hillis informed Mr. Hettmansperger what was required to establish this easement. When all the legal proceedings are completed a hearing date will be set.

PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN

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

Dave Arnold, President

Jim Sailors, Vice President

Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST: _____

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor