

CASS COUNTY COUNCIL  
March 17, 2017

The Cass County Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Brian Reed, Phil Rains, Steve Kain, George Stebbins, Chuck LaDow, Grover Bishop, Stacey Donato, Attorney Jeff Stanton, Auditor Cheryl Alcorn.

George Stebbins opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES** - Chuck LaDow made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**WHEEL TAX** - The current wheel tax rates were reviewed. Grover Bishop made a motion to continue the current wheel tax rates, Stacey Donato seconded. Motion carried; 6 in favor, 1 opposed by Brian Reed.

**AMENDED ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE 2016-08** – County Attorney Jeff Stanton, informed the council of the provisions of the ordinance and the effective date May 31<sup>st</sup>. No action by the council was required.

**RESOLUTION 2017-01 – CASS COUNTY MEMORIAL CENTER MATCHING GRANT FUNDS** – Commissioner Jim Sailors appeared before the council recommending their approval to pass Resolution 2017-01. Sailors explained the intention of the resolution is to show good faith in a working relationship with the City in the rehabilitation of the Memorial Center. In addition, a shared commitment agreement of on-going operations and maintenance of the facility will be essential in the grant application process.

Stacey Donato made a motion to approve Res. 2017-01 Cass County Memorial Center Matching Grant Funds, Grover Bishop seconded. Upon further discussion; Steve Kain made a motion to amend the resolution specifying funds of \$62,500.00 will be used from the Capital Non-Reverting Fund 2502, Brian Reed seconded. Motion to approve, with amendment, carried; 6 in favor, 1 opposed by George Stebbins

Grover Bishop made a motion to reinstate the Memorial Center Fund line item in the 2018 budget, Stacey Donato seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**- Ralph Anderson announced the upcoming Civic Players production of Steel Magnolias at the Historical State Theatre, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 p.m. and March 26<sup>th</sup> - 2:30 p.m

Mayor Dave Kitchell, 1423 North Street, thanked the council for their approval of Resolution 2017-01 Memorial Center Matching Grant Funds. City is looking forward to working with the County in this joint effort.

The Prosecutor's office, represented by Noah Schafer requested an additional appropriation for the Prosecutor's Pre Trial Diversion Fund 2529 for the following accounts: Personal Services \$17,000.00, Supplies \$2,500.00, Contractual Services \$10,500.00 and Capital Outlays \$11,000.00. Steve Kain questioned if the appropriation was properly advertised. Council explained the appropriation is a courtesy request, advertising is not required. Brian Reed made a motion to approve the Prosecutor's appropriation, Stacy Donato seconded. Motion carried; 6 in favor, 1 opposed by Steve Kain

**ADJOURNMENT** - Phil Rains made a motion to adjourn, Stacey Donato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



George Stebbins, President



Stacey Donato, Vice President



Grover Bishop



Steve Kain



Phillip Rains



Brian Reed



Chuck LaDow

ATTEST: 

Cheryl Alcorn, Auditor