

CASS COUNTY COUNCIL

February 18, 2022

The Cass County Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Brian Reed, Tracy Williamson, Dave Redweik, Damon Foreman, Dean Davenport, Shawn Shoemaker, Attorney Jeff Stanton, and Auditor Cheryl Alcorn. Bruce Ide was absent.

Brian Reed opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed new council member Shawn Shoemaker.

MEETING MINUTES – Dean Davenport requested correction in regular meeting minutes of dollar amount on page 2 paragraph 8.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented, Dean Davenport seconded. The motion carried 4 in favor with 2 abstaining. Brian Reed and Shawn Shoemaker abstained due to absence.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve the executive session minutes with correction, Dean Davenport seconded. The motion carried 5 in favor with 1 abstaining. Tracy Williamson abstained due to absence.

PRE-TRIAL & COURT SERVICES – Hillary Hartoin distributed the 2021 Annual Program Reports for Pre-Trial & Court Services and Community Corrections.

Hillary summarized annual report of the Pre-Trial & Court Services. Cass County was the eleventh county in Indiana to receive certification. The agency supervised 188 clients with a savings of \$912,480 of inmate cost. Mental health screenings are provided at time of incarceration. The department received five grants last year.

Hillary requested approval to submit grant proposal, Mental Health & Addition Community Coordination Grant from Family and Social Services through the JRAC Program. Grant provides funding for Peer Recovery Specialist position to provide services in the area of substance abuse and mental health. Position will be subcontracted through Four County Mental Health Services. Grant award amount up to \$100,000 in federal funding.

Tracy Williamson made a motion to approve request to submit grant proposal as presented, Dave Redweik seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Dave Wegner presented 2021 Annual Program Report of Cass/Pulaski Community Corrections. Community Corrections partners with Court and Pretrial Services and collaborates with Sheriff's Department.

Dave gave a summary review of the annual report covering history of the program, organizational chart, and staffing. Report includes a three-year strategic plan to enhance and expand program services. Population and demographic data include the number of clients served, age and

gender, type of offense, and drug screen analysis. Home Detention and Work Release program descriptions and data are included in the report. Community Corrections continues to support Four County's Jail Therapy Program to bring treatment programming to the local jail.

Dave explained the new performance measure rating of violations, safety, completion, and drug screening. Overall financial summary covers a seven-year trend, as of December 31, 2021 the program's ending balance was \$1,100,950.

Dave informed the Council all reports are available on the Community Corrections website.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION –

American Rescue Plan Grant Fund for the costs of medical equipment purchased for ambulances and grant advisor service contract.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve additional appropriation from ARP Grant Fund in the amount of \$720,000, Tracy Williamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT- Lora Redweik, 5524 N CR 600 E, Twelve Mile – Appropriation approved for APR Grant, is that to purchase ambulances? How much is the balance of the APR Grant? When will the second appropriation be coming for the APR Grant?

Auditor Alcorn explained appropriation approved is for cost of medical equipment for the ambulances. Second round of grant money will be sometime late spring. Auditor will look up current balance for her.

ADJOURNMENT – Dave Redweik made a motion to adjourn, Dean Davenport seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

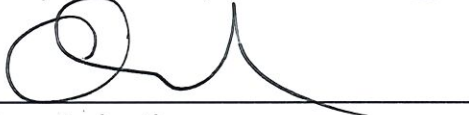


Brian Reed, President



Tracy Williamson, Vice President

absent
Bruce Ide



Dave Redweik



Dean Davenport



Damon Foreman

absent
Shawn Shoemaker

ATTEST:


Cheryl Alcorn, Auditor