

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
July 6, 2021

The Cass County Commissioners met at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Hearing Room. Present for the meeting were Ryan Browning, Mike Stajduhar, Ruth Baker, Attorney Jeff Stanton, and First Deputy Auditor Michelle Crain.

Ryan Browning opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES – Ruth Baker made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, Mike Stajduhar seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL- Ruth Baker made a motion to approve the claims and payroll as presented, Mike Stajduhar seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly report for June. Crews finished 3.1 miles of paving and 1.3 miles of chip seal work. Two new drivers are currently in the pre-hire process.

Jeff reported INDOT project updates; US 35 at CR 500 S was closed for the week of June 21st, paving is underway on US 35 between Anoka and Galveston, Third Street Bridge work to Biddle’s Island scheduled to be completed by the end of July, bridge painting on US 24/35 over the Wabash River is near completion, and land restrictions are in place for a culvert rehab on SR 18 west of Young America.

Surplus auction held on June 19th netted \$7,102, bulk of the bidding was one dump truck. Jeff thanked the city of Logansport and Rogers Auction service for allowing county to participate again this year.

BID AWARD - COMMUNITY CROSSING RESURFING PROJECTS – Jeff Smith recommended the lowest bid received for approval:

Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.
3425 O’Farrel Road, Lafayette, Indiana \$1,057,700

Ruth Baker made a motion to approve the recommended lowest bid received from Rieth-Riley Construction, Mike Stajduhar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CORONER – George Franklin appeared before the Commissioners with the following monthly report for June.

CAUSE OF DEATH

Natural	10
Vehicle	0

Suicide	0
TRANSPORTS	3
OUTSIDE ASSISTS	0
AUTOPSIES	3

HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Serenity Alter was unavailable to attend, the following report for the month of June was received and reviewed by Commissioners.

The Health Department held 8 routine immunization clinics. During this report period 101 patients were seen and 279 vaccines given.

Vital Records department received \$2,460 in document fees. The department printed 140 birth certificates, 122 certified death certificates, and 3 paternity affidavits. No request for genealogy searches were received.

Mike Collins completed 65 restaurant inspections; 2 pre-operational, 3 follow-ups, and issued 23 food permits. One environmental follow-up, three lead follow up inspections, and two pool inspections were completed. Dan Musselman completed 10 environmental calls, 6 soil reports, 3 residential inspection, 19 residential searches, and 7 OSS permits.

COVID testing and vaccinations continue to be offered and HIV/HEP testing will be offered in the near future. Cass County remains in code Blue pandemic rating with the number of positive COVID cases decreasing.

PARK DEPARTMENT – Dana Hildebrand presented the monthly report for June. Dana reported estimated revenue \$115,126 was received for the month. Crews prepared the park for the upcoming Fourth of July celebration.

Fund raiser event held for the Blue Iron Motorcycle Club of Monticello, Indiana raised \$600 for those in need. Members of the club include active and retired Police Officers. Entertainment was provided by “Southern Rock Authority Band”.

DISPATCH E-911 – Amber Offutt presented the following monthly report for June.

911 Calls	1620
Admin Calls	5727
CAD Screens	2063
Overtime Shifts	50

PROSECUTOR – Prosecutor’s office request approval to fill full time vacant position. Ruth Baker made a motion to approve the request to fill full time position, Mike Stajduhar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDITOR – Auditor’s office request approval to fill full time vacant payroll position. Ruth Baker made a motion to approve the request to fill full time position, Mike Stajduhar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

RES. 21-04 ADOPTION OF INDIANA CODE SECTION 5-23 - Ruth Baker made a motion to approve Resolution 21-04 as presented, Mike Stajduhar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

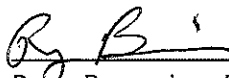
JAIL EXPANSION – CHANGE ORDERS – John Painter presented for approval seven construction change orders relating to the laundry room and equipment for a total of \$66,219. Additional change order was presented for approval to revise the ceiling in control room C177 in the amount of \$2,276.

Mike Stajduhar made a motion to approve change orders as presented, Ruth Baker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

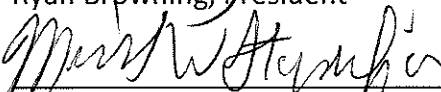
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS & RECOGNITION - None

PUBLIC COMMENT – Lora Redweik, 5524 N CR 600 E, Twelve Mile – requested explanation of Resolution 21-04. Attorney Stanton explained resolution allows the county the opportunity to pursue capital improvement proposals.

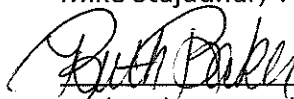
ADJOURNMENT – Ruth Baker made a motion to adjourn, Mike Stajduhar seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



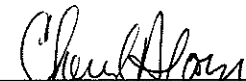
Ryan Browning, President



Mike Stajduhar, Vice President



Ruth Baker, Member

ATTEST: 

Cheryl Alcorn, Auditor