

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 2, 2018

The Cass County Commissioners met at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Hearing Room. Present for the meeting were Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Jeff LeDonne, Attorney Jeff Stanton and Auditor Cheryl Alcorn. Jim Sailors opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES - Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL- Jeff LeDonne made a motion to approve the claims and payroll as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Serenity Alter appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly Health Department report. For the month of June a total of eight immunization clinics were held and 112 patients were seen with a total of 317 vaccines given. Vitals Records department received \$2,850 in document fees for the month of June. Department printed 150 birth certificates, 19 free birth certificates, 120 death certificates, 7 paternity affidavits, and 2 genealogy searches.

Mike Collins and Chelsea Cates issued 26 food permits, performed 44 food inspections, 7 environmental inspections, 1 follow up lead inspections, 1 pool inspection, and 1 lead inspection with 1 follow up in the month of June. Dan Musselman completed 9 soil profiles, 3 residential inspections, 18 environmental calls, and 7 OSS permits.

Serenity requested approval to hire temporary help to fill in for staff on medical leave. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request for temporary help, Jeff LeDonne seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PARK DEPARTMENT – Dana Hildebrand appeared before the Commissioners with the June report for the Park Department. Park attendance for the month was approximately 8,129 with estimated revenue of \$68,881.43. A new diving attraction has been added to the swimming quarry. William Baker of Indy Dive Center submerged a 17 X 22 ft fiberglass airplane model. The model was previously used as a stage prop by country singer, Reba McEntire. The airplane will be used during scuba diving training.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly Highway Department report. Crews have completed berm work and have started road grinding and pug mix paving. Crews continue culvert and drainage work, mowing and brush removal, and road patching.

Jeff reported five major culvert replacements are planned for this season. County Road 400 S project will resume on July 9th. November bid letting is planned for the third phase of the project.

Jeff reported the 18th Street Bridge rehabilitation project remains on schedule with completion date of September 4th.

Jeff informed the commission of an upcoming super load transport of a tunnel boring machine for a large storm water project in Fort Wayne. INDOT approved travel route on Delaware Road/Water Street from US 35 to Third Street, and Logansport Road from the city limits out to US 24.

RESOLUTION 18-01 COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY – Jim Sailors requested a motion to approve submittal of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) report for North Central Indiana. The 2017 CEDS report is required by the U.S. Economic Development Administration to meet the eligibility requirements for grant and loan programs. Resolution 18-01 provides Cass County approval of the 2017 Five Year CEDS report.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution 18-01 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, Jeff LeDonne seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CLERK – Beth Liming requested approval to fill two vacate full time positions. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve request for two full time positions, Jeff LeDonne seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT – Arin Shaver request approval for a volunteer summer intern position. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request for a volunteer summer intern position, Jeff LeDonne seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VACATE ALLEY REQUEST – Don McMahan appeared before the commission requesting to vacate alley that runs between his properties at 3910 Sawmill Street, Clymers.

Jeff Stanton, County Attorney informed Mr. McMahan of the proper procedures needed for vacating.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Jim Sailors informed those attending to state their name and address before making comments.

Paige Woodhouse, 4477 W State Road 16, Royal Center - requested an update of the wind project and requested a meeting of the Plan Commission to review the wind ordinance.

Sara Craig, 5684 N 600 E, Twelve Mile – Inquired about the amount of times during the year that the Plan Commission must meet and who determines when they meet?
Jim Sailors responded the Plan Commission meets when the Planning Director has an issue or item for discussion.

Cindy Schmaltz, 6795 N 450 W, Royal Center – Will the public receive answers to concerns regarding the wind project?
Jim Sailors responded a public hearing will be scheduled.

Lora Redweick, 5524 N 600 E, Twelve Mile – requested a meeting of the Plan Commission for the opportunity to discuss the setback limits in the wind ordinance.

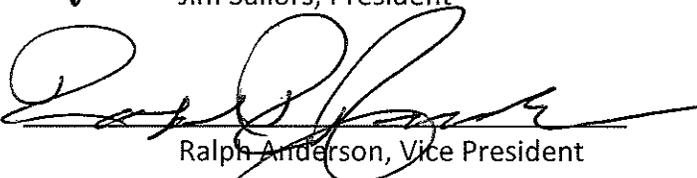
Susan Selim, 2681 E 375 N, Logansport – encourage Commissioners to continue open dialogue of the wind project with the community through a public hearing.

ADJOURNMENT

Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



Jim Sailors, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



Jeff LeDonne, Member

ATTEST: 

Cheryl Alcorn, Auditor