

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 5, 2019

The Cass County Commissioners met at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Hearing Room. Present for the meeting were Jim Sailors, Ralph Anderson, Ryan Browning, 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, Ryan Browning seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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

CASS COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Christy Householder appeared before the Commissioners with the Economic Development monthly report for July. Christy is currently working on two local expansion projects and received interest from a contact made during the Ag Tech Summit attended last month.

Christy reported the fire protection and water tower projects are moving forward for the Ag Park this fall. Christy met with Norfolk Southern Rail regarding future projects.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Serenity Alter appeared before the Commissioners with the Health Department report for the month of July. The Health Department held six routine immunization clinics. There were 182 patients seen for routine immunizations and 426 vaccines were given.

For the month of July the Vital Records department received \$3,465 in document fees. Department printed 171 certified birth certificates and 28 free certified birth certificates, 171 certified death certificates, 2 paternity affidavits, and 1 genealogy search.

Mike Collins and Chelsea Cates completed 45 restaurant inspections, 30 temporary food booth inspections during the 4-H Fair, 2 complaint inspections, 5 environmental inspections, and issued 19 food permits. Ten follow-up lead inspections were completed. Dan Musselman completed for the month of July; three residential final inspections, six residential replacement final inspections, four residential repairs final inspections, eleven soil profiles, and eight OSS permits.

Debbie Grimes and Serenity provided an interactive presentation of “The Effects of Opioids on the Body” at Work Release program. Debbie presented “Stop the Bleed” demonstration to the 1st and 2nd shifts at the MPI Office. Participants will receive certificates of completion. Safe Sleep program provided two Pac’n Plays with survival kits and handmade blankets donated by a volunteer group. Debbie gave educational sessions to daycare students at Kidz Connection regarding bike and helmet safety and how to identify dangerous and stinging summer insects.

Serenity requested approval to fill full time vacant nurse and part time vacant office position. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve request for full time nurse and part time office positions, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly highway report. Crews finished chip seal work including over 102 centerline miles. Mowing and culvert projects continue on a daily basis. Community Crossing resurfacing project on Logansport Road will begin August 12th. State Road 25 North project is complete. County Road 400 S Project and Market Street Bridge Project are progressing with projected completion within the end of the year.

PARK DEPARTMENT – Dana Hildebrand appeared before the Commissioners with the July report for the Park Department. Dana reported estimated revenue of \$89,647 was received for the month with gate attendance of 10,258. France Park 50th Anniversary celebration was held

during the 4th of July weekend with live music and fireworks. Volunteers and campers donated food and supplies for the celebration.

Dana reported 12 million gallons of water was pumped out of the swimming lake prior to the holiday weekend to regain beach area.

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT – Sheriff Ed Schroder requested approval to fill vacant part time correctional officer position. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve request to fill part time CO position, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CLERK – Beth Liming presented Election Poll Book Contract with VR Systems, Inc. for approval.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve VR Systems, Inc. contract, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER – Kathy Adair requested the following to be deemed surplus;

- Fax Machine
- Check Machine – (non-operational)
- Credit Card Machine – (out dated)
- Microwave – (non-operational)
- Cummins Perforator
- Framed Wall Map
- Large wall picture – outdoor scene

Ryan Browning made a motion to declare items presented for surplus, Ralph Anderson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT – Ryan Browning made a motion to appoint Jeff Leffert to Walton/Tipton Township Library Board, Ralph Anderson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

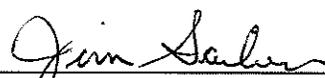
Leffert will serve remaining term left vacant by resigning member, Dennis Sipe.

PHOENIX AMBULANCE – Seth Kirkendol, Regional Manager appeared before the Commissioners with Year to Date Transport Data Report. Seth reported transport total to date 2,159 and 2,431 dispatched response calls.

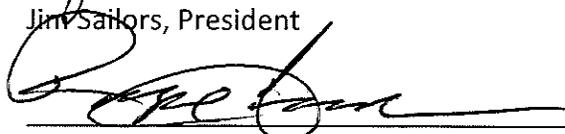
Phoenix Ambulance recently received the American Heart Association Mission Life Line Gold Award for heart attack care. Phoenix was the only rural service in the state and one of only two rural services in the nation to receive this award.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Allen Hanna, 4937 N 200 W, Logansport – concerned local farmers irrigating fields could lower water table levels causing wells to go dry.

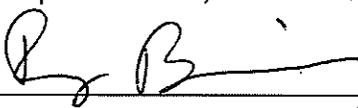
ADJOURNMENT – Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Ryan Browning seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



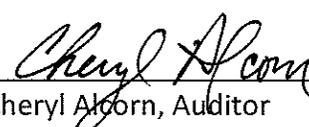
Jim Sailors, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



Ryan Browning, Member

ATTEST: 

Cheryl Alcorn, Auditor