

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 1, 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 CCED monthly report. Christy reported several prospective businesses have shown interest in Cass County during last month. TIF annual financial report is near completion for Gateway submittal.

Christy announced Cass County has been advanced into the next round of the WHIN Broadband Grant. State Broadband Grant has been extended until May 3rd.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners with the monthly highway report. Crews are patching potholes, brush cutting, street sweeping on bridges and subdivisions, and gravel road maintenance. Logansport Road will be closed for the next couple of days, during daytime hours, for brush cutting between Longtree Lane and CR 600E.

Jeff announced Cass County has been awarded the Community Crossing Grant \$997,048, grant requires 25% match that will fund resurfacing and restriping of Logansport Road from east city limit to the county line.

Jeff presented request for approval to post speed limit of 40/45 mph along CR 950E between CR 1150S and US 35. County Roads are currently at 55 mph speed limit, unless posted. Speed study shows 85th percentile speed 41 mph no vehicles exceeded 55 mph. Ryan Browning made a motion to retain the current speed limit at this time, seconded by Ralph Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeff presented request for approval to post speed limit of 40/45 mph along CR 150N between Indian Creek and Royal Center Pike. County Roads are currently at 55 mph speed limit, unless posted. Speed study shows 85th percentile speed 43 mph no vehicles exceeded 55 mph. Ryan Browning made a motion to retain the current speed limit at this time, seconded by Ralph Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeff presented request for gravel road conversion on Railroad Drive between CR 950E and CR 975E, New Waverly. Estimated cost to convert using triple chip seal would be \$11,000. Jim Sailors commented the cost of maintaining the road in the future should be considered. Ralph Anderson made a motion to leave the road as is, seconded by Ryan Browning. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeff reported 400 South Project is underway for phase III, road closure on March 6th between CR 300W and CR 175W. First stage includes drain pipe and utility relocation construction.

Jeff requested approval to declare 1987 Ingersoll-Rand DA-48 Roller as surplus. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve Roller as surplus, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY ROLLER BID AWARD – Jeff Smith appeared before the Commissioners and presented Roller Bid for their approval. Amount includes strobe light and manuals as specified without trade in.

MacAllister Machinery

6300 Southeastern Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana

Vibratory 10-Ton \$114,498.24

Jeff commented the lowest bid received showed a discrepancy on the model number. Vendor did not reply with correct model number, upon request.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the bid as presented, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeff request approval of Right of Way Service Contract for CR 400 South project – phase IV. Services to be provided by Lochmueller Group not to exceed \$63,7000, amount is within INDOT allowable cost for right of way purchases and processing involved. Included is a right-of-way acquisition letter requesting federal funds for fifteen land purchases. Ryan Browning made a motion to approve Right of Way Service Contract and right-of-way acquisitions, Ralph Anderson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeff requested approval of LPA Agreement for Local Roads and Bridges Matching Grant. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the grant request, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Serenity Alter appeared before the Commissioners with the Health Department report for the month of March. The Health Department held six routine immunization clinics. There were 142 patients seen for routine immunizations and 339 vaccines were given.

For the month of March the Vital Records department received \$2,560.00 in document fees. Department printed 161 certified birth certificates and 21 free certified birth certificates, 94 certified death certificates, and 2 genealogy searches.

Mike Collins and Chelsea Cates completed 31 restaurant inspections for the month of March and issued 6 food permits. Two environmental inspections and one follow-up inspection were completed. One lead and six follow up inspections. Dan completed for the month of March four residential final inspection, two commercial construction inspections, thirteen soil profiles, seven OSS permits.

Debbie Grimes presented Stop the Bleed to 5th and 6th graders. Safe Sleep program provided two Pac’n Plays. Debbie attended County Disaster Planning event at Ivy Tech.

Serenity completed 17 child passenger safety inspections and distributed 5 seats. Health Department is assisting with the 3rd Annual Out of the Darkness Walk for Suicide Awareness to be held on May 11th at Huston Park and will provide two training sessions at Ivy Tech on May 23rd for Stop the Bleed Day.

PARK DEPARTMENT – Dana Hildebrand appeared before the Commissioners with the March report for the Park Department. Dana reported estimated revenue of \$13,400 was received for the month. Buried electrical lines have been located with the purchase of a Vivax 550 Receiver/Transmitter. Lines have been located and mapped in the modern camping area. 118 RV electrical panels have been inspected and repaired. Seventy electrical panels are being added along with new wiring.

Cass County Anglers Fishing Club held a Bass Tournament on March 16th, the event was well attended.

Dana gave a thank you to Tai Williamson with Cass County Soil & Water for providing the \$220 to purchase pan fish to restock the fishing lake.

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT – Kevin Pruitt requested permission to fill two vacant full time and one vacant part time correctional officer positions. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request to fill vacant positions, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF TRUCK BIDS – Attorney Jeff Stanton opened the one bid received:

Mike Anderson Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram		
417 S Third Street, Logansport, Indiana	2019 Ram 1500	
	Crew Cab V-6 4x2	\$23,427.25
	2019 Ram 1500	
	Crew Cab V-8 4x4	
	W/Tool Box	\$28,002.25
	2019 Ram 1500	
	Crew Cab V-6 4x4	\$26,646.25
Mike Anderson Chevrolet Buick GMC		
4301 E Market Street, Logansport, Indiana	2019 Silverado	
	Custom Crew V-8 4WD	\$34,105.00
	2019 Silverado	
	Custom Crew V-6 2WD	\$30,098.00

Fletcher Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram
3099 N. Morton Street, Franklin, Indiana

2019 Ram 1500
Crew Cab 4x2 \$22,953.00
W/Tool Box - additional \$400

2019 Ram 1500
Crew Cab 4x4 \$26,172.00
W/Tool Box - additional \$400

Ryan Browning made a motion to take all bids under advisement, Ralph Anderson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

EXTENSION OFFICE – Jeremy Hall requested permission to fill internship position for Extension Office. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request for internship position, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PROSECUTOR – Lisa Swaim requested permission to fill vacant full time Title D-IV office position and four summer internship positions. Cindy Bradfield will be retiring as Title D-IV office position. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request for vacant full time and four summer internship positions, Ryan Browning seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT – Arin Shaver presented the planning board’s review committee recommended changes for the current wind ordinance. Arin requested Commissioners consideration to move forward with changes

Ryan Browning made a motion to approve the amended wind ordinance pending the following recommendations;

- All public documents regarding wind changes state: Please note that all standards that are approved with this ordinance change must be met. If there are any standards not met they must go to the Board of Zoning Appeals for a Public Hearing.
- 523.04 REGULATIONS – A. Location = remove the following verbiage:
 - With the exception of the following Map that allows Commercial WECS as a permitted use from the Northern County line to County Road 200 N that extends to the Western and Eastern County lines.
- Commercial WECS Setback: Public road right-of-way:
 - 1.5 times the total height of the WECS Tower, (where the blade tip is at its highest point) provided the distance is no less than nine hundred (900) feet.

Ralph Anderson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Arin informed the public these recommendations will be presented to Planning Commission for consideration during the May public meeting.

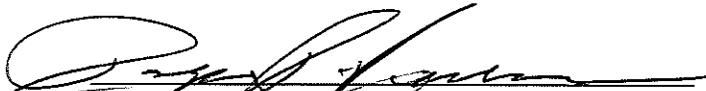
PUBLIC COMMENT - None

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