

**CASS COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING**  
**March 15, 2021**

President Ryan Zeck called the Cass County Redevelopment Commission (RDC) to order at 2:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Hearing Room.

**Redevelopment Commission Members Present:** Dave Arnold, Ruth Baker, Grover Bishop, Dean Davenport, and Ryan Zeck.  
RDC Attorney John Hillis, ED Director Christy Householder

**Attendees:** Mike Deitrich, Mark Miller, Linda Franklin, Mike Englert, Lora Redweik and Jim Wolfe- Pharos Tribune and 2 in attendance via Lifesize.

Minutes: A motion was made by Grover to approve the January 19, 2021 meeting minutes with one correction, seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

Claims: Ryan asked Christy to go through the February and March claims. Christy presented the following claims: HWC for \$6,509.32 and \$4,400 for the fire protection project; there were no invoices for Phoenix Fabricators & Erectors, Inc. for the elevated tank for the fire protection project; Ortman Drilling, Inc. for \$63,145.92 for the well field for the fire protection project; Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC for \$49,649.30 for professional services; Patriot Engineering and Environmental, Inc. for \$11,985.33 for Phase II LSI and UST removal; Ice Miller LLP for \$113,107.55 for litigation fees; Consolidated Union for \$500 for Public Officials Bonds, and from the Maintenance Fund invoices from LMU for \$80 and \$279 for the well field, and to NIPSCO for \$63.26 for gas service to the well field. Grover made a motion to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Ruth; Motion carried.

Dave made a motion to approve the Cass Co RDC Site 3 ICP Closure, following IDEM recommendations, seconded by Grover. Motion carried.

RDC Attorney, John Hillis, explained the next two resolutions to be considered by the RDC. Grover moved to table Resolution #2021-01 – Cass Co RDC Public Comments, seconded by Dean. Motion carried. Ruth made a motion to approve Resolution #2021-02 Cass Co Public Records Policy, seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

Public Safety Project: Mike Dietrich, Fire Chief of the Clinton Township Volunteer Fire Department (CTVFD) requested financial assistance from the RDC for a 2021 Fire truck Pumper for \$404,000. The Clinton Township Trustee has \$100,000 earmarked to the Clinton Township Volunteer Fire Department for additional assistance, but leaves the volunteer fire department short \$300,000. The CTVFD district covers Clymer's Township, the unincorporated Town of Clymer's and the Cass Co Agribusiness Park. The CTVFD also has mutual aid agreements with other fire department entities in the surrounding areas. The capacity of this bigger fire truck will allow five firefighters versus two, and Fire and Rescue equipment can be added to the pumper in the future for growth. They currently have a 1966 pumper and a 1986 tanker converted to a pumper in their fleet.

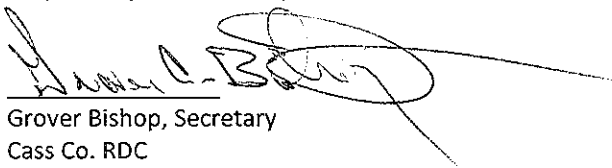
Public Comments were made by Lora Redweik, and Richard Bowman.

Christy received the quarterly Cass Co Assessors' report, no properties listed for Clinton Township.

The next Meeting for the Cass County Redevelopment Commission will be on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 2:00 P.M.

Adjournment: Dave made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Grover; Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by:

  
Grover Bishop, Secretary  
Cass Co. RDC