

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FEBRUARY 22, 2011

The Cass County Commissioners met at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. In attendance were Jim Sailors, Gene Powlen, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Dave Arnold was absent. Jim Sailors opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AMEND AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda, between item number three and four, Maintenance Pat Hann. Between items nine and ten, Cass Senior Center. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the amended agenda, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 7th meeting, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the claims and payroll, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MAINTENANCE

Pat Hann appeared before the Commissioners with a request to fill a part-time position that has become vacant. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve filling the part time position at the starting wage, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PROSECUTOR

Kevin Enyeart appeared before the Commissioners with request to fill the position of Misdemeanor Traffic position. The position was left vacant by the retirement of Becky Hewitt. Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the filling of the vacancy, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

SHERIFF

Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners and gave his monthly report for January:

PRISONER BOOKINGS		151
PRISONERS RELEASED		146
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	4,303	
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS		12,069
OFFICER PATROL MILES		39,859
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED		100
TRAFFIC ARRESTS/CITATIONS		105
DWI/OWI ARRESTS		7
CRIMINAL ARRESTS		13
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS	58	
PROPERTY DAMAGE		52
PERSONAL INJURY	5	
FATALITIES		1
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	145	
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,591	
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED		985

Sheriff Pryor informed the Commissioners that he is in the process of trying to procure additional DOC prisoners.

I.T.

Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report. On February 21st the I.T. department will deploy a new switching network in the county building. This upgrade will improve speed and replace old unreliable switches with new reliable switches that come with a lifetime guarantees.

I.T. and a group of employees took a road trip to Dekalb County to see the new court system Odyssey. After the visit all departments feel much better about the switchover. I.T. is confident that we are well equipped for the new system.

I.T. is in the process of completing the Planning department's connection to the city planning department via the municipal fiber network. A router has been built to keep the two networks completely separate and only route planning department traffic back and forth between the two networks.

PLANNING

Chris Gaumer appeared before the Commissioners with an Ordinance Amending Buffer Yard Standards in the Cass County Zoning Ordinance. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the amended ordinance, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Chris also presented the Commissioners with an item that should be declared county surplus. Jim Sailors informed Chris that the company that handles the county's surplus would be informed. Gene Powlen made a motion to declare the item surplus, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ROOSTERS

No one appeared to represent the Roosters. The item was tabled.

CASS SENIOR CENTER

No one appeared to represent the Senior Center. The item was tabled.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

There were no public comments. Gene Powlen made a motion to adjourn, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Arnold, President

Jim Sailors, Vice President

Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST: _____

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor