

CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 19, 2011

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

MINUTES

Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

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

SHERIFF

Randy Pryor appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly report for the month of November.

PRISONER BOOKINGS	159
PRISONERS RELEASED	164
MILES TRANSPORTING PRISONERS	4,065
MEALS SERVED TO PRISONERS	14,210
OFFICER PATROL MILES	33,027
TRAFFIC WARNINGS ISSUED	230
CITATIONS ISSUED	117
DWI/OWI ARRESTS	5
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	25
TOTAL COLLISIONS	67
PROPERTY DAMAGE COLLISIONS	60
PERSONAL INJURY COLLISIONS	6
COLLISIONS RESULTING IN FATALITY	1
TOTAL FATALITIES	2
RESERVE OFFICER HOURS	132
CIVIL PROCESS MILEAGE	1,583
CIVIL PROCESS PAPERS SERVED	888

Sheriff Pryor also reported to the Commissioners the amount of funds collected for the County by housing DOC prisoners. This report includes January through November numbers. The total received from the DOC is \$139,405. Sheriff Pryor reported that the jail is currently housing 143 inmates as of today. There are currently five reserve officers working for the Sheriff's department.

I.T.

Cj Gilsinger appeared before the Commissioners with his monthly I.T. report. Cj spent most of the month moving the Clerk's office and Assessor's office. The I.T. department is also working on video arraignment for the Courts. Funding has become an issue and the project is on hold. A company was contacted and I.T. is currently working with a grant writer to help secure funding.

All Probation department computers have now been replaced and are currently using the new Odyssey system. Probation's imaging system was also installed. A new imaging system was ordered for the Sheriff's department and will be installed late December. The I.T. department also upgraded the recording systems in both Superior courts and in the Commissioner Hearing Room. A new system will be put in Circuit Court in December.

PLANNING

Arin Shaver appeared before the Commissioners to present a new ordinance amending the fees for the building and zoning department. Jim Sailors made a motion to approve the new fee schedule, Gene Powlen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

39 DEGREES

Randy Smith, from 39 Degrees appeared before the Commissioners with an update on the 39 Degrees program and to check if the County needed any additional service from 39 Degrees. Mr. Smith left an information packet for the Commissioners. Cass County has been using 39 Degrees for a full year. There have been 9,199 visits to the website and usage has increased 63.25%.

APPOINTMENTS

The following persons were recommended for appointments:

Zina Birnell to the Board of Health

Gabriela Moore to the Hospital Board

Chris Fry to the Cass County Planning Department

Penny Bannon and Judy Burkhart to the Logansport Plan Commission

Phil Miller to the Alcohol Beverage Board

Carol Pasquale, Tom Coleman, Tom Scheetz, Brian Reed, Dave Arnold to the Memorial Home Board

Tom Scheetz and Dave Patty to the PTABOA Board

John Hipskind to the Region Four Workforce Development Board

Arin Shaver to the Wabash River Heritage

Rocky Buffum and Phil Rains to the EMA Advisory Council

Dave Arnold, Duane Sailors, Ken Personette to the County Redevelopment Commission

Cheri Anderson to the Arrowhead RC & D

Kathy Patty, Roger Kunkle, Cheryl Oliver, Sharie Deardorff, Craig "Augie" Kennell to the Cass County Animal Control Board

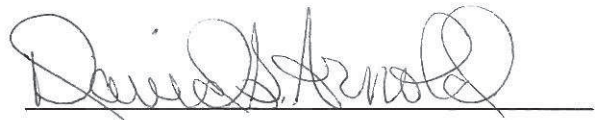
Gene Powlen made a motion to approve the appointments as presented, Jim Sailors seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

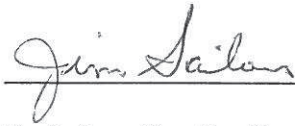
Steve Sullivan from Farm Bureau appeared before the Commissioners. Mr. Sullivan informed the Commissioners that they are trying to correct a dead spot in the eastern end of the county. It takes Mr. Sullivan and others two days or more for their email to come through. The Commissioners are aware of the spot.

Commissioner Dave Arnold reminded everyone of the County Christmas Party slated for December 20th. The Government Building will be closed from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dave Arnold", is written over a horizontal line.

Dave Arnold, President



Jim Sailors, Vice President



Gene Powlen, Member

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor