

## **CASS COUNTY COUNCIL**

**AUGUST 19, 2011**

The Cass County Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Ralph Anderson, Brian Reed, Brent Kelley, George Stebbins, Grover Bishop, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. James David and Jeff LeDonne were absent. Brian Reed opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

### **MINUTES**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **APPROPRIATIONS**

Sheriff Randy Pryor appeared before the Council with a request for an additional of \$8,868.00 to be applied to the insurance monies received from a vehicle involved in an accident earlier this year. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the additional request from the Cumulative Capitol Fund (210), George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dan McDonald appeared before the Council with his request for \$50,000.00 for the E-911 Department. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the additional from the Host Fund (356), George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave Wegner did not appear before the Council. Brent Kelley made a motion to table his request for the additional \$70,000.00 for extra help, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Coroner George Franklin appeared before the Council. The additional for the Coroner was not advertised. Ralph Anderson made a motion that no action be taken until the request is properly advertised, Brent Kelley seconded. The additional will be advertised and presented at the next Council meeting September 16, 2011.

### **TRANSFER**

Commissioner Dave Arnold appeared before the Council with a request to transfer funds out of series. Mr. Arnold requested \$15,000.00 be transferred from account 32120 postage to 15240 unemployment. Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the transfer, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**TOURISM BUREAU**

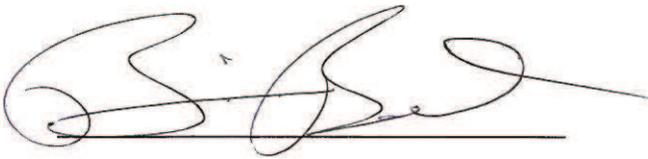
No one appeared from the Tourism Bureau. The Tourism Bureau had submitted a report to the Council for their review.

**CASS AREA TRANSIT**

No one appeared.

**PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURN**

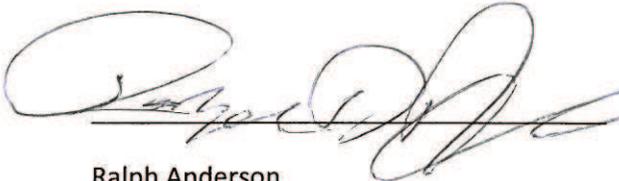
There were no public comments. Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



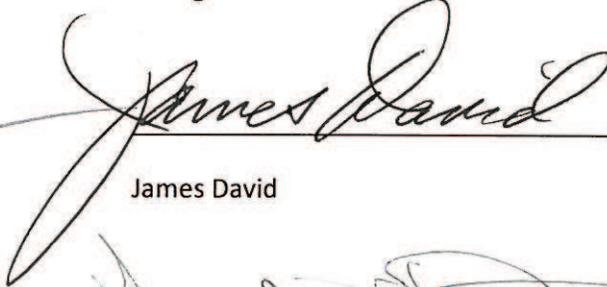
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George Stebbins Vice President



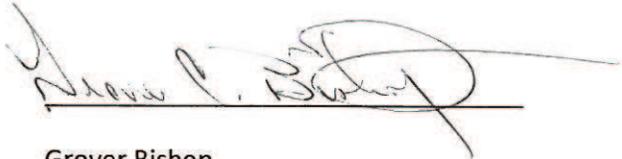
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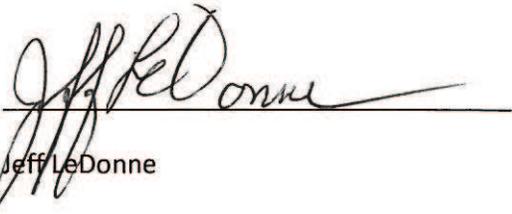
James David



Brent Kelley



Grover Bishop



Jeff LeDonne

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor

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**BUDGET HEARING 2012**

**AUGUST 19, 2011**

The meeting opened with the following members in attendance, Brian Reed, George Stebbins, Ralph Anderson, Grover Bishop, Brent Kelley, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. President Brian Reed began the budget hearing addressing all line items below the 1000 series.

**Clerk** – Reduction in line item 22371(other supplies) from \$17,000 to \$12,000

Reduction in line item 32130(travel) from \$1000 to \$500

Remove line item 32662(training fund) for \$300 to line item 35700(dues & subscriptions)

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the reductions to other supplies and travel in the Clerks budget and move \$300 from training fund to dues and subscriptions, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made to amend salaries and then the motion was withdrawn. Reductions in the 1000 series will be addressed later.

**Auditor**-Reduction in line item 32620(contractual services) from \$2500 to \$1000

Remove line item 32622(animal shelter) from the budget for \$700 entered in error

George Stebbins made a motion to approve the Auditor budget as changed and amended, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer**- no changes

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Treasurers budget as presented with no changes or amendments, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Recorder**-no changes

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Recorders budget as presented with no changes or amendments, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Brian Reed wanted the Sheriff's budget and the Jail budget addressed together for the benefit of the Sheriff.

**Sheriff-** Reduction in line item 23200(garage & motor) from \$180,000 to \$150,000

Remove line item 47245(vehicles) for \$90,000 from budget and move to the Cumulative Capitol Fund (210)

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Sheriff's budget as changed and amended, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Jail-** Reduction to line item 22371(other supplies) from \$30,000 to \$25,000

Reduction to line item 23310(food & meals) from \$225,000 to \$200,000

Reduction to line item 22360(office supplies) from \$3,200 to \$0

Reduction to line item 32634(repair office equipment) from \$8,000 to \$2,000

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Jail budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Surveyor-** No changes

George Stebbins made a motion to approve the Surveyors budget as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Coroner-** No changes

George Stebbins made a motion to approve the Coroner budget as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. There was discussion concerning the budget. Ralph Anderson made a motion to amend the motion and reduce line item 32620(contractual services) from \$8,000 to \$6,000, Brent Kelley seconded. The amended motion carried unanimously. Then a vote was taken for the original motion that was amended and that motion carried unanimously.

**Prosecutor-** No action no line items below the 1000 series.

**Assessor -** Reduction to line item 326209(contractual services) from \$1,000 to \$500

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Assessor budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Title 4-D-** No Changes

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the Title 4-D budget as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**County Agent-** Reduction to line item 22360(office supplies) from \$2,150 to \$1,550

Reduction to line item 32120(postage) from\$1,200 to \$700

Reduction to line item 47213(equipment lease) from \$4,400 to \$1,855

Reduction to line item 32634(repair office equipment) from \$2,300 to \$700

Reduction to line item 32662(training fund) from \$1,100 to \$600

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the County Agent budget with the exception of travel which is to be restored to \$6800 as changed and amended, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried with four aye votes and one nay from George Stebbins.

**Planning-** Reduction to line item 32620(contractual services) from \$3,600 to \$3,000

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Planning budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Board of Appeals-** No changes

George Stebbins made a motion to approve the Board of Appeals budget as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to eliminate all board member pay for budgets with boards, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried with four aye votes and one nay vote from Brent Kelley.

**Drainage Board-** No changes

George Stebbins made a motion to approve the Drainage Board as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Veterans-** Reduction to line item 32620(contractual services) from \$24,000 to \$14,000

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Veterans budget as changed and amended, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Weights & Measures-** Reduction of line item 23200(garage & motor) from \$2,000 to \$600

Reduction of line item 32420(publication legal notices) from \$800 to \$500

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Weights & Measures budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Memorial Home-** Remove line item 23721(copy machine supplies) and replace with line item 22371(sanitation supplies) money amount remains the same.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Memorial Home budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- Commissioner-** Reduction of line item 15230(group insurance) from \$2,207,820 to \$1,700,000
- Reduction of line item 32641(Humane Society) from \$70,000 to \$0\*
- Reduction of line item 32646(E-911) from \$200,000 to \$0\*
- Reduction of line item 35440(4H-Fair) from \$10,000 to \$0

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Commissioners budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. \* These items will be moved to other funds.

- County Gov't. Bldg. -** Reduction of line item 23330(household supplies) from \$57,000 to \$40,000
- Reduction of line item 32200(utilities) from \$250,000 to \$235,000

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the County Gov't Bldg. budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Grover Bishop stated that this budget should be reviewed before second reading.

Superior Court I, II and Circuit Court reduction in line item 11006(judge supplemental) from \$5,000 to \$1,000.

- Superior Court I** - Reduction of line item 23310(food & meals) from \$2,500 to \$1,000
- Reduction of line item 32120(postage) from \$100 to \$0
- Reduction of line item 32130(travel) from \$1,500 to \$1,200
- Reduction of line item 32150(special prosecutor) from \$2,500 to \$1,500
- Reduction of line item 32410(printing) from \$3,000 to \$1,000
- Reduction of line item 35702(conferences) from \$1,250 to \$500
- Reduction of line item 47240(law books) from \$3,500 to \$0\*

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Courts judge supplement to remain at \$1,000 and approve the Cass Superior Court I budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. \* This item will be moved to another fund.

- Circuit Court -** Reduction of line item 23310(food & meals) from \$4,000 to \$1,600

Reduction of line item 32120(postage) from \$75 to \$0

Reduction of line item 32200(utilities) from\$22,000 to \$18,000

Reduction of line item 47321(law books) from \$3,750 to \$0\*

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Circuit Court budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. \* This item will be moved to another fund.

**Soil & Water – No changes**

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Soil and Water budget as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Defender – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Public Defender budget as presented, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Superior Court II-**

Reduction in line item 23310(food & meals) from \$3,000 to \$2,500

Reduction in line item 22371(other supplies) from \$2,500 to \$1,500

Reduction in line item 32633(mental health exams) from \$25,000 to \$15,000

Reduction in line item 33251(repair bldg. & structure) from \$2,000 to \$0

Reduction in line item 47203(furniture/fixtures) from \$1,500 to \$0

Remove line item 47321 from budget and replace with line item 47310

Reduction in line item 47310(Superior Court II law books) from \$27,000 to \$25,000

Reduction in line item 47240(law books) from \$5,000 to \$0\*

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Superior Court II budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously. \* This item will be moved to another fund.

**Cass County Council – Reduction to line item 32130(travel) from \$400 to \$300**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Cass County Council budget as changed and amended, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Probation – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Probation budget as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Court House Security** - Reduction to line item 23300(uniforms) from \$3,717 to \$2,000

Reduction to line item 22371(other supplies) from \$1,500 to \$1,000

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Court House Security budget as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Highway** –No changes below the 1000 series

Brent Kelly made a motion to approve the Highway budget as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Cumulative Bridge** – No changes

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Cumulative Bridge budget as presented, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Health Department** – The Health Department submitted new budgets to the Council reflecting the \$100,000 reduction.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for fund #213 as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for fund #331 as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for fund #362 as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carries unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for fund #390 as presented, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Election/Voter Registration**- No changes

George Stebbins made a motion to approve the Election/Voter Registration budget as presented, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Park & Recreation** – The Park & Recreation budget was reduced by \$100,000.

Reduction to line item 11013(overtime) this should be line item 15240(unemployment from \$7,800 to \$3,413

Reduction in line item 11026(per diem) from \$1350 to \$0

Reduction in line item 11521(social security) from \$15,589 to \$11,917

Reduction in line item 12005(board members) from \$2,250 to \$0

Reduction in line item 15230(insurance employer) from \$54,960 to \$42,349

Reduction in line item 18001(extra help) from \$78,240 to \$48,000

Reduction in line item 22371(other supplies) from \$1,500 to \$500

Reduction in line item 23200(uniforms) from \$400 to \$0

Reduction in line item 32410(printing) from \$1,700 to \$1,000

Reduction in line item 32610(legal services) from \$2,000 to \$1,000

Reduction in line item 35120(insurance) from \$25,000 to \$16,000

Reduction to line item 35700(dues & subscriptions) from \$300 to \$0

Reduction to line item 33252(repair bldg. & structure) from \$15,000 to \$0\*

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Park & Rec. budget as changed and amended, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously. \* This amount is to be moved to Park Non – Reverting fund 240.

**Local Road & Street – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for Local Road & Street as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Auditor Plat Book – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for Auditor Plat Book as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Adult Probation - Reduction in line item 42450(other equipment ) from \$6,000 to \$0**

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Adult Probation as changed and amended, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Reassessment 2015 – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for Reassessment as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**In Home Detention – No changes**

Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the budget for In Home Detention as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**E-911 Landlines – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for E-911 Landlines as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**CEDIT – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for CEDIT as presented, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Cass County Corrections – No changes**

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the budget for Cass County Corrections as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Corrections Grant #363 – No changes**

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the budget for the Corrections Grant #363 as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**E-911 Wireless – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for E-911 Wireless as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Jail Lease – No changes**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the budget for Jail Lease as presented, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Safety- Data Process**

Reduction in line item 47214(computer equipment) from \$70,000 to \$0\*

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Public Safety budget for Data Process as changed and amended, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.\* this will be moved to the Cumulative Capitol Fund (210)

**Public Safety- EMA**

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the EMA budget as presented, pursuant to changes in the 1000 series, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Safety- Co. Gov't. Bldg.**

Brent Kelley made a motion to remove line item 32521(equipment maint.)in the amount of \$195,000 from the Public Safety budget and place it back into County General 100-24, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to amend the Commissioner budget line item 15230(group insurance) from \$1,700,000 to \$1,650,000, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to amend the Highway budget to reflect a change in payroll, Highway and EMA will share a full time employee, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to move \$25,000 line item 47244(vehicles) from the Sheriff's budget to Public Safety, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Public Safety budget as changed and amended, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Capitol-**

The following were added to the Cumulative Capitol Fund budget, Superior Court I, II and Circuit Court law books, \$12,350, Data Process \$70,000 equipment, Commissioner building improvements \$143,639 and from County Gov't. Building other equipment \$1,000. For a total of \$227,110. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Cumulative Capitol budget as amended and changed, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Brent Kelley made a motion to adjourn for lunch and resume at 1 p.m., George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Public Safety- Data Process**

Reduction in line item 32640 (software) from \$20,000 to \$ 15,000  
Reduction in line item 32645(program maint.) from \$112,000 to \$107,000

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Public Safety-Data Process budget as amended and changed, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Public Safety- EMA**

Reduction in line item 13001(deputy) from \$22,115 to \$11,058

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the reduction in Public Safety EMA, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Salary -2012**

Ralph Anderson made a motion that salaries remain at the 2011 approved budget level, except by salaries governed by State statute, George Stebbins seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Salary Rates**

Seasonal/Interns the rate is to remain at \$8.40 per hour.

Part-time rate will be from \$8.40 up to \$10.00 at the discretion of the department head/office holder and will not exceed the appropriated amount of the budget for each entity.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the rates as presented, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Commissioner Budget-**

Reduction in line item 16004(mail lady) from \$21,356 to \$10,679

Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Commissioners budget as amended and changed, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Veterans Service-**

Reduction in line item 11001(office holder) from \$25,138 to \$15,138

Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the Veterans budget as amended and changed, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Council Salary**

George Stebbins made a motion to reduce the Council salary from \$5,001 to \$2,500. The motion died for lack of a second.

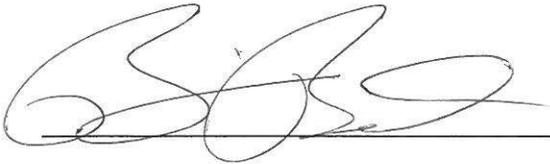
Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the budget cuts submitted by the Cass County Commissioners dated August 18, 2011, lines one through sixteen, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ralph Anderson made an omnibus motion to approve the 2012 budget first reading as amended, as agreed upon and as voted upon, Brent Kelley seconded.

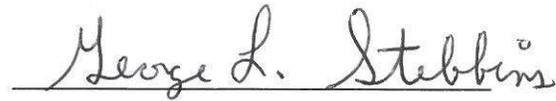
As a formality the Logansport City budget which is a part of the non-binding must be approved at the County Council's first reading of the budget. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the non-binding budget, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 4 ayes and one nay from George Stebbins.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN**

Brent Kelley thanked the Commissioners and Department heads for their hard work on this budget for 2012. Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



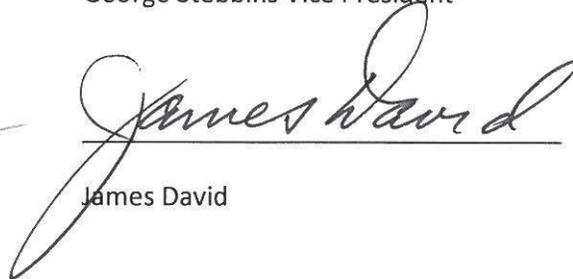
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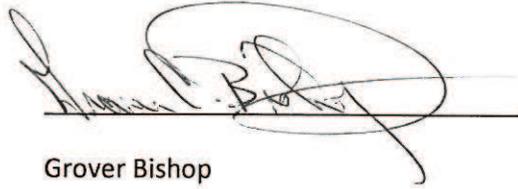
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