

**CASS COUNTY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 16, 2012**

The Cass County Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Brian Reed, James David, Jeff LeDonne, George Stebbins, Grover Bishop, Ralph Anderson, Attorney John Hillis and Auditor Vaneen Ide. Absent was Brent Kelley.

MINUTES

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

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

The Town of Onward had originally requested \$15,000.00 for an additional appropriation for razing the old high school within the town limits. The amount was advertised as \$12,000.00 and approved at the October meeting. The remaining \$3,000.00 was advertised for approval. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the additional from the General fund, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Prosecutor's office additional in October was advertised incorrectly and short \$1,000.00 in personal services. The additional \$1,000.00 was advertised and presented. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Cass/Pulaski Community Corrections had requested an additional \$8,000.00 for fuel from their user fee fund. After a brief discussion a motion by Ralph Anderson for an additional \$4,000.00 was made, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

An additional appropriation for \$614,500.00 was requested for the Jail/Lease payment. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PROSECUTOR

Prosecutor Kevin Enyeart appeared before the Council, requesting that the new discovery deputy pay remain at the level of the deputy leaving that position. The current level is \$23,254.00. Brian Reed made a motion to approve, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried with a vote of five in favor, one opposed vote by George Stebbins. The motion carried.

CORONER

George Franklin appeared before the Council with a request for a transfer from the toxicology account to deputy in the amount of \$4,000.00. After a brief discussion Jim David made a motion to

approve the transfer, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried a vote of two in favor and four opposed, Brian Reed, Ralph Anderson, George Stebbins and Brian Reed. The motion did not carry.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Jeff Smith appeared before the Council. Jeff gave a brief summary of why the Highway Department will be requesting an additional appropriation of \$16,500.00 at the November 28th meeting. The monies requested will be used for ADA (American Disabilities Act) to assess all of the county buildings. The result of not providing this assessment could result in loss of federal funding for the Highway Department.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. Bennett and Lynda Kennedy appeared before the Council to present a graduated pay scale for the Environmentalist position. There was discussion. Ralph Anderson made a motion that the position could be filled at a beginning salary of \$32,000.00 if the applicant possessed a Bachelors degree in the field of Environmentalist and had certifications for food, lead and septic, Grover Bishop seconded. The vote was five in favor, one opposed, George Stebbins. The motion carried.

Dr. Bennett and Lynda Kennedy spoke to the Council about an additional appropriation that the Health Department is requesting to be heard at the November 28th meeting. They are requesting \$2,000.00 for a health study required by the State of Indiana. They will be working with Logansport Memorial Hospital and possibly Four County. The Council would like additional information before the meeting on the 28th.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN

Tom Keplar appeared before the Council for a request to consider him for reappointment to the Alcohol & Tobacco Commission.

Ralph Anderson announced that Logansport High School was presenting Oklahoma this weekend and on December 1st and 2nd Civic Players will present It's a Wonderful Life.

Mark Leeman appeared and would like to discuss the Public Defender contract with the Council.

Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



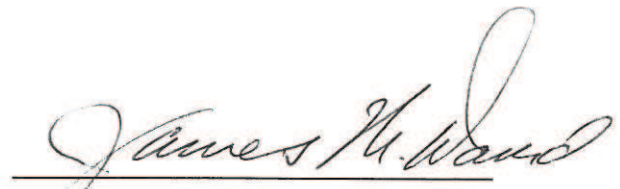
George Stebbins, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



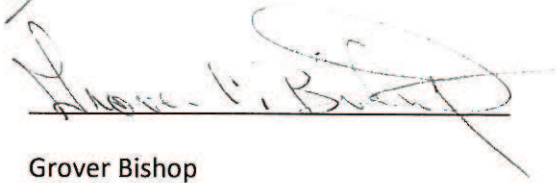
Brian Reed



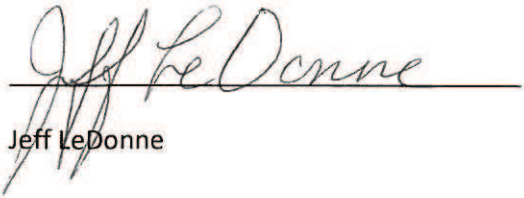
James David



Brent Kelley



Grover Bishop



Jeff LeDonne

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor