

## **CASS COUNTY COUNCIL**

**JULY 20, 2012**

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

### **MINUTES**

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

### **ADDITIONALS**

Lisa Swaim from the Prosecutors office appeared for their requested additional in the amount of \$17,500.00 for the Prosecutor's office, this money will be appropriated from the Prosecutors Deferral Fund 2529. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Cass County Council requested an additional from CEDIT funds to pay for a study done by Ball State University, through a joint venture with the City of Logansport. The amount of the request was \$3,900.00. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously. These monies were approved by the Council in 2011.

Kathy Adair, Treasurer of Cass County appeared before the Council with a request for an additional for part-time pay. Kathy requested \$3,700.00; the Council reviewed the request and approved \$2,800.00. The funding is to come from County General. Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the request, Ralph Anderson seconded. The vote was five in favor, James David was opposed. The motion carried.

### **E-911**

Dan McDonald appeared before the Council with a request for \$50,000.00. This money was budgeted for E-911 use for 2012. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **FRANCE PARK**

The Council considered an ordinance disbanding the Park Board. After much discussion, Ralph Anderson made a motion to table the action until October, James David seconded. The motion was defeated with a vote of two in favor, four against. George Stebbins, Brian Reed, Jeff LeDonne and Grover Bishop were not in favor of tabling.

More discussion took place. The floor was opened for the general public to speak. The following people expressed their views:

Jim Signari -Patron

Mike Ricci-Patron

Bill Powell-Patron

Tamara Ogle-Park Board Member

Angie Boheme-Patron

Dennis Ide- Park Board President

Sandy Heckard – Park Superintendant

Grover Bishop made a motion to disband the Cass County Park Board effective July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012, Brian Reed seconded. The motion passed with a vote of four in favor and two opposed, Ralph Anderson and James David were opposed. 2012-04 An Ordinance Abolishing /Dissolving the Cass County Department of Parks and Recreation.

#### **LOGAN’S LANDING**

A new Ordinance was presented in regards to the funding of Logan’s Landing. The Council will continue to support Logan’s Landing through funding obtained by Cass County Economic Development Income Tax for the purpose of furthering Economic Development in Cass County, in the amount of \$12,500. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Ordinance, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously. 2012-05 An Ordinance County Council of Cass County, Indiana Committing Funds to Support Logan’s Landing, Associations, Inc.

#### **FIRE DISTRICT # 1**

Bridget Enyeart and Karl Myer appeared before the Council requesting their approval to refinance the loan for the Fire District #1. This was presented to the Council in the form of an Ordinance. By approving this Ordinance it would reduce the monthly obligation of the Fire District # 1 and save the taxpayers’ money. The effect of this action will be outside of the Levy. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the Ordinance, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously. 2012-06 Ordinance Allowing CCFD1 Refinance Landsale Contract

Mayor Ted Franklin commented that an offer had been sent to the Fire District Board in regards to a reduction.

#### **BUDGET DATES**

The Cass County Council set the following dates for the 2013 budget process:

August 8<sup>th</sup> –Workshop

August 17<sup>th</sup> –First Reading following the 9:00 a.m. Council Meeting

September 21<sup>st</sup> – Second Reading following the 9:00 a.m. Council Meeting

October 19<sup>th</sup> – Following the 9:00 a.m. meeting all non-binding and binding budgets will be reviewed

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN**

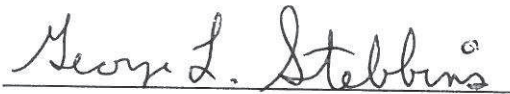
Tamara Ogle from the County Extension office informed the Council that a drought meeting will be held. Cass and Carroll counties will be partnering to test corn for nitrates.

Ralph Anderson reminded everyone that Jr. Civic Players will be presenting the Music Man July 27, 28 and 29 and Winnie the Pooh July 28 and 29.

James David thanked the Park Board members for the service

Ralph Anderson also expressed his thanks to the Park Board.

James David made a motion to adjourn, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



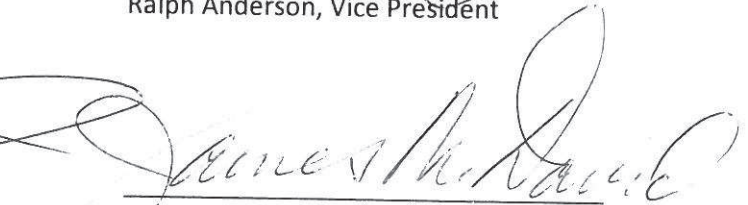
George Stebbins, President



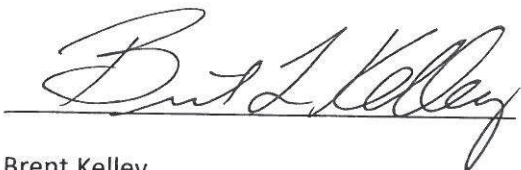
Ralph Anderson, Vice President



Brian Reed




James David



Brent Kelley



Grover Bishop

  
Jeff LeDonne

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor