

## **CASS COUNTY COUNCIL**

**JANUARY 20, 2012**

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

Brian Reed, President of the Cass County Council called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence. President Reed turned the meeting over to the Auditor for re-organization. The Auditor requested nominations for President. George Stebbins was nominated, there were no other nominations. Jeff LeDonne made a motion to appoint George Stebbins as president to the Cass County Council for the year 2012, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Auditor requested nominations for Vice President. Ralph Anderson was nominated, there were no other nominations. Grover Bishop made a motion to appoint Ralph Anderson as vice president, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Jeff LeDonne, Brent Kelley, Grover Bishop, James David and Brian Reed remain members.

President George Stebbins continues the meeting.

### **MINUTES**

The minutes from the December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting will be amended to reflect an error. Grover Bishop pointed out that he and Brian Reed were appointed to the CCRC, not LEDF. The Auditor will amend the minutes to reflect the error. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

The additional appropriation requested from Community Corrections was reviewed. The appropriation would increase the director's salary. Ralph Anderson made a motion to table, until the amount could be verified, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 6 ayes, and one nay from Brian Reed.

The additional appropriation for the Highway department was reviewed. The additional was for payroll for a part-time secretary and a correction in wage per hour for one of the drivers. Brent Kelley made a motion to approve, James David seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The additional for the Jail was discussed. Sheriff Pryor requested that only one position be appropriated. The salary would be for one C/O in the amount of \$22,182 plus PERF and SS for a total of \$25,652. Brian Reed made a motion to approve the additional, Grover Bishop seconded. Ralph Anderson called for discussion. Ralph did not object to the request, but felt that an additional should

not be made to County General until a budget was approved by the State. The motion was withdrawn and a motion by Ralph Anderson to table until budget was approved, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Council addressed some personnel changes at the Jail at this time. Sheriff Pryor has moved employees into different slots, which has changed pay rates. Per the review of the Personnel Committee the moves were met with a positive recommendation to the Council. Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the personnel changes, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The additional for the Cumulative Capitol Fund was reviewed. During budget hearings the Council moved items out of County General into the Cumulative Capitol. Brian Reed made a motion to approve the requested amount, Ralph Anderson seconded. The vote was 6 ayes and one nay from James David.

Prosecutor Kevin Enyeart appeared before the Council for them to approve his request to use his pretrial fees. A question about law books was asked again. Kevin informed the Council, law book fees are not for physical books, as much as an electronic site for codes and laws. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the request, Brent Kelley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **RECORDER**

Recorder, Trish Williams appeared before the Council with her request to use monies from fund 246 RE-DACT. Trish is requesting \$8,000 to archive records. Jeff LeDonne made a motion to approve the request, Brian Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Trish also requested the sum of \$60.00 for training from the County Election training fund. The money will be used for web training. Brent Kelley made a motion to approve the request, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **E-911**

No one from E-911 appeared. Brent Kelley made a motion to table, Grover Bishop seconded. The request was tabled. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Lynda Kennedy appeared before the Council with the request for three positions for the Health Department. The first would be a part-time medical assistant the funding would be from Fund 351. The hourly rate would be \$13.25 per hour and only 15 hours a week. Brian Reed made a motion to approve the position, Grover Bishop seconded. The motion carried with 6 votes. Member Brent Kelley was not in room when vote was taken. Lynda also requested a position for a part-time Environmentalist. The funds for this position would come from fund 390. The rate of pay would be \$14.90 per hour and the position would be for only 15 hour per week. This position would cover the duties of Environmentalist and Preparedness. Grover Bishop made a motion to approve the position, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Lynda's third request was permission to have a volunteer work at the receptionist desk. Ralph Anderson made a motion to approve the volunteer, Brian Reed seconded. The



motion carried unanimously. The Council requested that Lynda make sure the proper paperwork was signed for the volunteer.

### **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT**

There was a brief discussion in regards to the Interlocal Agreement. More information as to the funding was requested. Brian Reed made a motion to table, Ralph Anderson seconded. The motion carried.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Brian Reed presented the names for appointments.

County Attorney- John Hillis (1 yr)

Child Protection Agency – Jim David (1 yr)

Cass County Plan Commission – Brian Reed (virtue of office)

Logansport Economic Dev. Commission – Alan McCloskey (4 yr term)

PTABOA Board – Judy Lewis & Joan Davis Level II (1 yr)

EMA Advisory Council Member – Alan Liming (1yr)

Airport Authority – Ralph Anderson (1 yr)

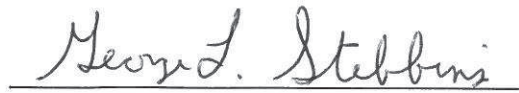
Cass County Combined E-911 Dispatch Governing Board – Jeff LeDonne

County Council Finance Committee- George Stebbins, Brian Reed & Ralph Anderson

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS & ADJOURN**

Tamara Ogle from the Cass County Extension Office invited the Council to the Ag Council meeting to be held next Thursday. She needed reservations. The Auditor was again directed to move the sum of \$750,000 from County General to the Rainy Day Fund. She will comply. The Sheriff gave a summary of 2011 year report. He gave a brief update as to the accomplishments of the Cass County Drug Task Force. The jail and sheriff department returned unspent funds back into County General. Ralph Anderson thanked the Sheriff for his close watch of funds. The Sheriff informed the Council about the Animal Control officer, the specifications for a new vehicle, this time a V8. The hiring process for a new deputy was taking place, three new part-time C/O positions and one part-time cook approved. Surplus property was submitted to the Commissioners. GED program has been started in the jail, this will help when securing DOC prisoners. The possibility of securing video conference for the jail in 2012. New bullet proof vests were purchased with a life expectancy of 5 years. George Stebbins thanked the

Sheriff for all he has done. Ralph Anderson made a motion to adjourn, Jeff LeDonne seconded. The motion carried unanimously.



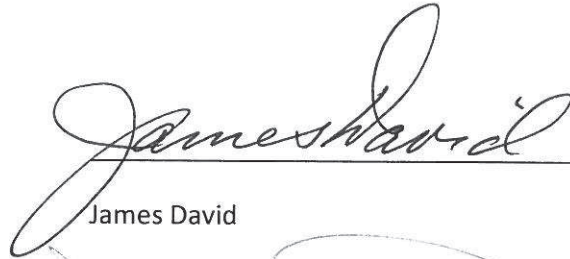
George Stebbins, President



Ralph Anderson, Vice President



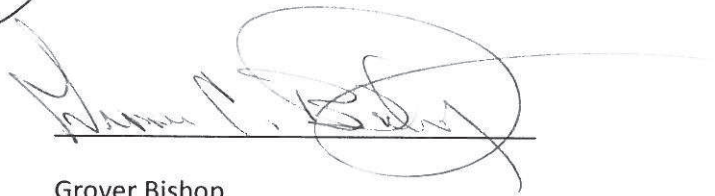
Brian Reed



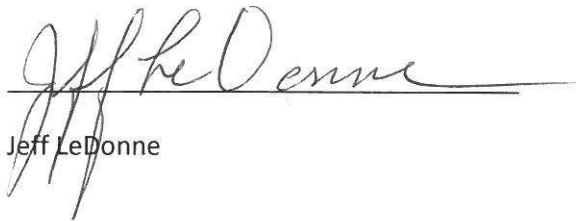
James David



Brent Kelley



Grover Bishop



Jeff LeDonne

ATTEST: 

Vaneen M. Ide, Auditor