

CASS COUNTY BOARD MEETING

July 11, 2022

The Cass County Board met in the Courthouse, in the Courtroom, on Monday, July 11, 2022 at the hour of 7:00 P.M.

Present: Michael Barnett
Chairman

Attest: Shelly Wessel
Cass County Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Barnett, who directed the Clerk to call roll.

Roll Call:

Barnett	Present	Hance	Present	Noe	Present
French	Absent	Hagloch	Present	Starkey	Present
Schaefer	Present	Douglass	Present	Merriman	Present
Wessel	Present	Gibson	Present		

As a result of the roll call the Clerk states that all board members are present except for board member French.

Chairman Barnett declares there is a quorum.

Chairman Barnett now leads the board in the pledge of allegiance.

The Clerk presents the minutes from the June 13, 2022 Cass County Board Meeting. Gibson moves to approve the minutes and Starkey seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Clerk next reads the correspondence.

Chairman Barnett next calls for reports from the standing committees:

Noe, Chairman of the Courthouse and Jail Committee, reports the committee met on July 7, 2022 and approved all bills.

Sheriff Ohrn has been looking into a new electronic ticketing software/hardware called digiTicket. The cost is \$70,000 just to get started.

Sheriff Ohrn thought his department could get on the State Police ticket system at no cost, but then Covid hit and everything was put on hold.

Sheriff Ohrn is going to check with surrounding counties to see how well they like the digiTicket software/hardware.

Hagloch, Chairman of the Road and Bridge Committee, reports the committee met on July 7, 2022 and approved all bills.

The new wheel loader has been purchased at the cost of \$165,000.

Merriman, Chairman of the Public Safety, Environment and Housing Committee, reports the committee met on June 27, 2022. The ESDA report was received from Roger Lauder.

Merriman reports that the Cass Rural Water Board met on June 21, 2022. There was a 9% water loss.

The Philadelphia water tower will be inspected once the temperatures become cooler outside.

Merriman, reports the Animal Control Commission met on June 23, 2022. The commission discussed the new dog pound.

Trayce reported 18 dogs were picked up, 8 were returned to their owners, 8 dogs were adopted out and 2 were euthanized.

The budget will be finalized at the next meeting.

Hance reports there are a lot of vacancies at Welch Wood and Riverside.

Hance, reporting for the Health Board, reports that grant funds have been awarded and will be used to hire additional employees at the Immigrant Welcoming Center.

Schaefer, Liaison for Arenzville Rural Water Board, reports that the annual meeting was held on June 21, 2022. The board elected officers. The next meeting will be held on July 19, 2022

Under Finance and Judiciary, Chairman Barnett states the Officer's budget meetings will be held Friday, July 22, 2022, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Merriman, Chairman of the Supervisor of Assessments Committee, reports the committee met June 21, 2022. The Assessor is working on exemptions. The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Hagloch, Liaison for E-9-1-1, reports that the committee met on June 27, 2022 and approved all bills.

MCS met on June 16, 2022. Two new board members from Scott county attended the meeting. They awarded 4 scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each.

Noe reports that OEDC met on June 23, 2022. A youth program meeting will be held on August 17, 2022.

Schaeffer, Liaison for the Mental Health 708 Board, reports the board met on Wednesday, June 29, 2022. Administrator, Diane Feigl, requested an additional \$23,000 for the 22/23 budget. Schaefer states these additional funds will be used to assist with the homeless and other people in need of financial assistance.

Starkey reports the TIF board received one application from Trujillo but not action was taken.

There are no reports from the following committees:

Transit

Legislative

Liquor Control

Policies and Procedures

Insurance and Bonds

Cooperative Extension

O.E.D.C. Tourism

The Board next moves on to new business.

Chairman Barnett presents the Appointments for Cass County Health board and Arenzville Rural Water Board. A motion to approve the appointments is made by Merriman and seconded by Douglass. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

(See Attached Appointments)

Chairman Barnett next presents the 2023 Holiday Calendar Resolution. Hance moves to approve the resolution and Noe seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

(See Attached Resolution)

Chairman Barnett presents for approval the Inter-governmental Agreement with the City of Beardstown for Police Protection. Sheriff Ohrn states that the City of Beardstown has a shortage of police officers. The agreement allows the Cass County Sheriff Deputies to work a shift in Beardstown on their days off. Beardstown will pay the Sheriff Deputies the overtime rate and also the fuel used during the shift in Beardstown. Merriman moves to approve the agreement and Schaefer seconds the motion.

Chairman Barnett directs the Clerk to call roll.

The Clerk calls roll.

Roll Call:

Barnett	Yes	Hance	Yes	Noe	Yes
French	Absent	Hagloch	Yes	Starkey	Yes
Schaefer	Yes	Douglass	Yes	Merriman	Yes
Wessel	Yes	Gibson	Yes		

The Clerk states that all board members present have voted in the affirmative. Chairman Barnett declares the motion carried

(See Attached Agreement)

Chairman Barnett next requests approval to grant
Authorization of Signature to the County Highway Engineer for
public utility easements on property owned by Cass County.
Douglass moves to approve and Hagloch seconds the motion.

(See Attached)

The Clerk presents the monthly reports for the Sheriff, Treasurer, County Clerk, Circuit Clerk, Zoning Officer, Maintenance and Death Examiner. A motion to receive the reports is made by Schaefer and seconded by Wessel. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Clerk next presents the Inventories for E-9-1-1, Sheriff/Courthouse, ESDA, S OF A, and the Health Department. A motion to receive the Inventories is made by Starkey and seconded by Merriman. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

(See Attached Inventories)

The approval of claims is next presented. A motion to approve the claims is made by Douglass and seconded by Wessel. Chairman Barnett directs the Clerk to call roll.

The Clerk calls roll.

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Schaefer	Yes	Douglass	Yes	Merriman	Yes
Wessel	Yes	Gibson	Yes		

As a result of the roll call, the Clerk states that all members present have voted in the affirmative. Chairman Barnett declares the motion carried.

At approximately 7:40 P.M., a motion to adjourn and reconvene on the night of August 8, 2022 is made by Wessel and seconded by Douglass. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

Shelly Wessel
Clerk