## CASS COUNTY COUNCIL May 20, 2022

The Cass County Council met at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Hearing Room. Present were Brian Reed, Tracy Williamson, Dave Redweik, Damon Foreman, Dean Davenport, Shawn Shoemaker, Attorney Jeff Stanton, and Auditor Cheryl Alcorn. Bruce Ide was absent

Brian Reed opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**MEETING MINUTES** – Dave Redweik made a motion to approve the regular meeting, executive session, and joint executive session minutes as presented, Dean Davenport seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION -

• EMA requested additional appropriation from Local Emergency Plan Fund 1152 in the amount of \$2,550 for purchase of calibration set to be utilized by Emergency Management and Fire Departments.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve the additional appropriation from Fund 1152 in the amount of \$2,550, Tracy Williamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

• EMS requested additional appropriation from LIT Public Safety Fund 1170 in the amount of \$70,000 for overtime hours.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve the additional appropriation from Fund 1170 in the amount of \$70,000, Dean Davenport seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## TRANSFER OUT OF SERIES -

Soil & Water District requested transfer out of series in Fund 1000 from the following line accounts:

Account Line 32620.030 to Account Line 23371.030 in the amount of \$1,500 Account Line 32640.030 to Account Line 23371.030 in the amount of \$1,000

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve the transfer out of series as presented, Dean Davenport seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORD. 22-03 2022 SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** – Add a \$2,000 stipend to the newly created title position for Assistant Director of E-911 Dispatch.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve salary amendment as presented, Dean Davenport seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORD. 22-04 2022 SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** – Additional \$1,500 stipend for the Assistant Director of EMS.

Damon Foreman made a motion to approve salary amendment as presented, motion failed for lack of a second.

Tracy Williamson suggested to revisit the request during budget season.

**ORD. 22-05 2022 SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** — Increase hourly rate by one dollar for Health Department Deputy/Vital Records position.

Dave Redweik made a motion to approve salary amendment as presented, Damon Foreman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**2023 BUDGET HEARING SCHEDULE** – Dave Redweik made a motion to approve the 2023 Budget Schedule as presented, Dean Davenport seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**LOGAN'S LANDING** – Becki Harris appeared before the Council with summary update report. MSRP Grant building façade projects are scheduled for completion by June 30<sup>th</sup> and the Depot will receive a fresh coat of paint in time for the Taste of County event. Last year the downtown district opened 16 new businesses, half of those closed or moved to another location within the year. Annual events are gradually returning to normal participation due to the pandemic. Over 70 volunteers participated in the Downtown Green & Clean Day on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Celebrate Logansport Strawberry Shortcake Day will be held on June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the downtown Farmer's Market. This is a fundraiser for Logan's Landing, strawberry shortcake tickets can be purchased for \$5.00.

Taste of Cass County will be held on August 13<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the traditional location, along Melbourne Avenue and in the Little Turtle Waterway Park, along the banks of the Wabash. Festivities include; food vendors, kids korner, car show, beer tent, and live music featuring headliner band 'The Flying Toasters'.

Becki encouraged everyone to come through the Logan's Landing charitable roadblock at Third and Market Street on May  $20^{th}$  and  $21^{st}$ .

**SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION** – Leah Walthery presented annual report of educational programs and partnerships created to promote conservation of soil and water resources. Virtual annual meeting was held last February with Purdue Extension honoring Logansport FFA Soils Teams.

Kids Go Wild, an educational program created for elementary-age children, provided nature journal class and hike excursions. Collaborated efforts with LHS art classes and McCord's Do-it-Best provided and created interactive displays to be used for Earth Day and 4-H Fair display.

Other community events include; Walk & Talk along the Little Turtle Waterway, Wildflowers on the Wabash at France Park, The Real Eel at Riverside Park, and Arrowhead RC&D Rafting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** Dave Redweik extended congratulations to Commissioner Stajduhar and his wife on their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and congratulations to Kristina Kneisly a member of the University of Findlay women's golf team that won the NCAA Division II National Championship.

**ADJOURNMENT** — Dave Redweik made a motion to adjourn, Dean Davenport seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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Bruce Ide	Dave Redweik
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