MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 6, 2020

President Mike Yoder called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in room 104 in the County Administration Building, 117 North Second Street, Goshen, Indiana. The other Board member, Suzie Weirick, was present. Others present were Patricia Pickens, County Auditor; Steve Olsen, County Attorney; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator and Anita Mock, Executive Assistant. Board Member Frank Lucchese, was absent.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the March 16th, March 23rd & March 30th, 2020 meetings and placed them on file.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval to receive Bids for the 2020 Paving Program. The received Bids are as follows:

Phend & Brown, Inc.; Group #1: \$0

> Group #2: \$1,561,053.50

Group #1: \$1,910,896.28 Rieth Riley Construction;

> Group #2: \$1,383,182.94

Group #1: Walsh & Kelly, Inc.; \$2,120,200.00

> Group #2: \$1,536,000.00

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept and review the bids.

County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval to receive bids for a Chip Spreader. The received Bids are as follows:

Southeastern Equipment Company in the amount of \$317,000.00.

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept and review the bid.

Planning & Development, Kevin Williams, requested approval to receive Bids for

Demolition Projects in Elkhart County. The Bids are as follows: B & E Excavating:

56565 Lantz Blvd, Goshen, IN: \$7,800.00

28831 Driftwood Dr., Elkhart, IN: \$6,700.00

56565 Lantz Blvd, Goshen, IN: Jerry Reed Excavating; \$10,400.00

> 28831 Driftwood Dr., Elkhart, IN: \$10.100.00

> 57342 NeCeDah Dr., Elkhart, IN: \$25,000.00

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept and review the bids.

Commissioner, Mike Yoder, explained the request for approval of Ordinance to ratify the FMLA Leave Expansion and Emergency Paid Sick Leave Policy (Coronavirus) effective April 1, 2020. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Court Interpreter Grant Fund for \$49,780 for grant funds awarded by the State for Reimbursement for use of Court Interpreters. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Environmental/Special Projects Fund for \$330,000 for fiber installation and monies needed for Code Enforcement for demolition of projects in Elkhart County. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Prairie Creek Run Phase II Water Services Performance Bond/Maintenance Bond and Agreement for the Specifications for Prairie Creek Run Phase II Water Services. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from Middlebury East TIF Fund for \$235,000 for reimbursement to Town of Middlebury for water line extension on County Road 14. This is a payment per Interlocal Agreement. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from North West Gateway TIF Fund for \$10,000 for fiber request to help redundancy and serve multiple locations in Elkhart City and Elkhart County Government. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from County Road 6 & County Road 17 NE TIF Fund for \$3,050,000 for fiber connection in Greater Elkhart City and provide access to government such as Elkhart County. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from Unsafe Building Fund for \$7,865 for expenses for contractor to demolish unsafe buildings. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Court services requested payment for Out of State Travel which occurred March 9-13, 2020 for Melissa Contreras and Elia Varela to Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, Newark, Delaware. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Weights & Measures Report for February 16th to March 15th, 2020.

BOARD ITEMS:

County Attorney, Steve Olsen, requested approval of Resolution of the Elkhart County Commissioners Regarding Limited Public Access to Elkhart County Facilities. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Attorney, Steve Olsen, requested approval authorizing Jen Tobey, as the Director of Emergency Management, to consider ways to utilize local school facilities and to authorize Jen Tobey to enter into any agreements and/or requests for assistance for use of school facilities as needed to address the COVID-19 state declared disaster emergency. Attached is the Governor's Executive Order 20-05 for reference. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Maintenance Bond for the 2019 Paving Program. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

AUDIENCE ITEMS:

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned their meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Anita Mock