

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

July 21, 2025

President Brad Rogers 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 members, Suzie Weirick and Bob Barnes were also present. Others present were Steve Olsen, County Attorney; Patricia Pickens, County Auditor; and Jeff Taylor, County Administrator. Kelly Ropp, Administrative Manager, was absent. Minutes were recorded by Meghan Miller, Commissioners Office.

***This meeting commenced pursuant to public notice under the Indiana open door law. This meeting was made available for the public and press to attend in person or engage in remote real-time observation.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the July 14, 2025 meeting and placed them on file.

(Item 326)

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

BUSINESS ITEMS:

Kyle Wagner, County Highway, presented the recommendation to award the 2025 Sign Replacement Project to Michiana Contracting for \$532,910.00. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board awarded this bid.

(Item 327)

Kyle Wagner, County Highway, presented a request for approval of agreement and performance bond for the 2025 Sign Replacement Project with Michiana Contracting. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this agreement and performance bond.

(Item 328A and 328B)

Kyle Wagner, County Highway, presented a request for approval of agreement and performance bond for the Bridge 332 Rehabilitation Project with Milestone Contractors, L.P. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this agreement and performance bond.

(Items 329A and 329B)

Brad Rogers, County Commissioner, presented a request to close Market Street between Main and Clinton streets in New Paris for tractor pull on Friday, August 8th, 2025 from 6pm to midnight. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this road closure.

(Item 330)

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented for consideration an Ordinance Enacting and Adopting the 2025 S-22 Supplement to the Code of Ordinances for the County of Elkhart, Indiana. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this ordinance.

(Item 331)

Andrew Bylsma, Health Administrator, presented a request for approval of Out of State Travel for Dr. Melanie Sizemore to attend National Association of Local Boards of Health Annual Conference in Savannah, Georgia from October 5th – 9th, 2025. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this travel request.

(Item 332)

Jason Auvil, Zoning Administrator, presented the request for approval of Woodside Investments LLC represented by Land & Boundary LLC for an amendment to an existing DPUD A-1 known as Schrock Furniture DPUD to add an additional warehouse, southwest corner of CR 37 & CR 34, common address of 63041 CR 37 in Clinton Township. Brad Rogers opened a public hearing. No audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board closed the public hearing. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this amendment.

(Item 333)

Danielle Richards, Planning and Development, presented the request for approval of Mid-States Specialty Eggs of Middlebury represented by Abonmarche Consultants for an amendment to an existing DPUD A-1 known as MSSE Middlebury CR 20 Mid-States DPUD to add property and amend the site plan, for a zone map change from A-4 & M-1 to DPUD A-1 and for primary approval of a 1-lot minor subdivision to be known as MSSE Middlebury CR 20 Mid-States DPUD A-1 Amendment, north side of CR 20, 2,000 ft. east of CR 35, common address of 13659 CR 20 in Middlebury Township. Brad Rogers opened a public hearing. No audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board closed the public hearing. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved the amendment.

(Item 334)

Danny Dean, Planning and Development, presented the request for approval of Tri County Land Trustee Corporation (Land Contract Holder) & John A. Miller and Sue Miller, Husband and Wife (Land Contract Purchaser) represented by Surveying and Mapping, LLC for a zone map change from A-1 to DPUD M-1 and for primary approval of a 1-lot minor subdivision to be known as Mid River Sales DPUD M-1, south side of CR 18, 2,050 ft. west of East County Line Road, common address of 10348 CR 18 in Middlebury Township. Debra Hughes, Surveying and Mapping, spoke. Brad Rogers opened a public hearing. No audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board closed the hearing. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this zone map change.

(Item 335)

The Weights & Measures Report for June 17th to July 14th, 2025 was submitted. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this report.

(Item 336)

BOARD ITEMS:

None.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Glenn Null, Goshen, spoke.

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned the meeting.