

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

August 4, 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; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator and Kelly Ropp, Administrative Manager.

***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 28, 2025, meeting and placed them on file.

(Item 341)

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:

Tim Jackson, County Highway, received the bids for the 2025 Crack Seal Program. Three (3) bids were received: Scodeller Construction, Inc from Wixom, MI for \$607,500.00; Evan's Development Co., Inc from Indianapolis, IN for \$1,098,400.00; and K&B Asphalt Sealcoating Inc from Adrian, MI for \$640,000.00. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept the bids for staff review.

(Item 342)

Tim Jackson, County Highway, presented an appropriation request from EDIT for \$1,000,000.00 for Bridge 253 Construction and Right of Way. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this appropriation request.

(Item 343)

Tim Jackson, County Highway, presented an appropriation request from MVH Restricted fund \$1,000,000.00 for Bridge 193 Construction and Right of Way. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this appropriation request.

(Item 344)

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented for consideration an amendment with North River Consulting. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this amendment.

(Item 345)

Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, presented an additional appropriation request from Self Insurance-Property & Liability Fund in the amount of \$300,000.00 for County's self-insurance fund expenses. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this additional appropriation.

(Item 346)

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented for consideration Work Order No. 14 with Moser Consulting, Incorporated. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this work order.

(Item 347)

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented for consideration the County Road 50 Tower License Agreement. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this agreement.

(Item 348)

Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, presented an additional appropriation request from General Fund in the amount of \$302,199.00 for consulting services from Moser Consulting. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this additional appropriation.

(Item 349)

Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, presented an appropriation reduction request from IT Dept/General Fund. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this appropriation reduction.

(Item 350)

Tim Jackson, County Highway, along with six college interns presented the 2025 Highway Intern end of year presentation. This is a presentation done by the Highway Department Summer Interns detailing their work over the summer.

(Item 351)

BOARD ITEMS:

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented quote 084122 v. 5 from Network Solutions Inc for wireless access points. Negotiations resulted in a full credit for the entire balance of the quote, resulting in a zero balance. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved the quote at zero dollars.

(Item 352)

Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, presented a request by Michiana Auto Mania for a Noise Ordinance Variance. Bradley and Morgan Henderson spoke regarding this request. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this noise ordinance variance.

(Item 353)

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Glenn Null, Goshen, spoke.

Cindi Hajicek, Goshen, spoke.

ADJOURNMENT:

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