

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

October 27, 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 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 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, received quotes for Tree Clearing for the CR 17 Phase 1a and 1b projects from CR 40 to CR 142. Seven (7) quotes were received: Brian's Tree Service from Granger, IN for \$62,500.00; Asplundh Tree Experts from Fort Wayne, IN for \$151,000.00; Ellis Hardwoods from North Liberty, IN for \$79,400.00; Kachur Tree Service from Niles, MI for \$49,700.00; Payne's Tree Service from Edwardsburg, MI for \$65,000.00; Bam Tree Service from Bristol, IN for \$39,000.00; and Homer Tree Service from Lockport, IL for \$158,000.00. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept the bids for staff review.

(Item 477)

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented for consideration the Third Amendment to the In-Custody Medical Services Agreement with Wellpath LLC. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this amendment.

(Item 478)

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented for consideration a Special Purchase Resolution with Acme Sports, Inc. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved Special Purchase Resolution CO 2025-44.

(Item 479)

Jenn Tobey, Emergency Management, presented a request for permission to apply for FY 2025 EMPG Grant in the amount of \$75,000.00. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this grant.

(Item 480)

Jenn Tobey, Emergency Management, presented a request for permission to apply for FY 2026 HMEP-LEPC Grant in the amount of \$30,000.00. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this grant.

(Item 481)

Jenn Tobey, Emergency Management, presented a request for permission to apply for FY 2026 HMEP-EMA Grant in the amount of \$7,000.00. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this grant.

(Item 482)

BOARD ITEMS:

None.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Pam Keyser, Middlebury, spoke.

ADJOURNMENT:

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