

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

January 19, 2021

President Suzie Weirick 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, Frank Lucchese and Brad Rogers, were also present. Others present were Craig Buche, County Attorney; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator; Patricia Pickens, County Auditor; and Anita Mock, Executive Assistant.

***This meeting commenced pursuant to public notice under the Indiana open door law and Governor Holcomb's Executive Orders. This meeting was made available for the public and press to attend in person or engage in remote real-time observation and remote electronic participation.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the December 21st & December 28th, 2020 meetings and placed them on file. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

On a motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

County Attorney, Craig Buche, addressed the Award Project of the New County Courts Project. William Shepler & Daniel Rawlins recommended that the Elkhart County Courts Facility Progressive Design-Build Project Letter of Intent and Recommendation for Award be awarded to Performance Services, Inc., Indianapolis, Indiana for a Contract Price not to exceed \$63,000,000; subject to final negotiation of terms and conditions of the Design-Build Contract. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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Planning & Development, Jason Auvil, requested approval for Paul & Kitnicole Craven for a zone map change from R-1 to A-1, southwest corner of County Road 8 and Echo Lane, 3,000 feet east of County Road 17, in Washington Township. Suzie Weirick opened a public hearing. No one wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board closed the public hearing. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, received Bids for 2021 Supply & Materials. The Bids are as follows:

Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.
Asphalt Materials, Inc.
The Klink Group
Great Lakes Chloride, Inc.
Elkhart County Gravel, Inc.
Inserv, Inc.
Ceres Solutions

On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept and review the Bids. The 2021 Supply & Materials Bids were placed on file. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of County Road 3 South of Wakarusa to County Road 42 Speed Study. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Warning Sign County Road 14 at County Road 31. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Community Crossings Matching Grant Fund – Financial Commitment Letter, Elkhart County. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for Jeff Hershberger. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for Kent Myers. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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BOARD ITEMS:

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Resolution Authorizing Execution of INDOT Program Electronic Signature System. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Deed of Dedication to transfer Real Estate on County Road 38 & Salem Drive. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Certificate Tax Sale being an electronic sale. The cost of the parcels will be minimum of \$50.00 if it is the first time in the sale, and \$25.00 if the parcel has been in the sale 2 or more times. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

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AUDIENCE ITEMS:

Chris Dickenson spoke on several issues.

Glenn Null spoke on several issues.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned their meeting. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock