

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 27, 2026

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; Tiara Jackson, 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 April 20, 2026 meeting and placed them on file.

(Item 179)

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, opened bids for the 2026 Deck Sealing Program. Three (3) bids were received: Tatman Sims and Pedigo Corp (Bloomington, IN) for \$296,300.00; Milestone Contractors (South Bend, IN) for \$215,000.00; and Rieth-Riley Construction Co. (Gary, IN) for \$471,860.00. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept the bids for staff review.

(Item 180)

Kyle Wagner, County Highway, opened bids for the 2026 Wedging Program. Two (2) bids were received: Niblock Excavating, Inc. (Bristol, IN) for \$1,219,745.38 and Rieth-Riley Construction Co. (South Bend, IN) for \$1,137,475.78. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept the bids for staff review.

(Item 181)

Kyle Wagner, County Highway, presented a recommendation to award the 2026 Pavement Marking Program to CE Hughes Milling, Inc. DBA The Airmarking Company. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this recommendation.

(Item 182)

Kyle Wagner, County Highway, presented a request for approval of an Agreement and Performance and Payment Bond for the 2026 Pavement Marking Program with CE Hughes Milling, Inc. DBA The Airmarking Company. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this Agreement and Performance and Payment Bond.

(Item 183)

Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, presented a request by Grace Community Church for revised Noise Ordinance. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept the withdrawal of the previous Noise Ordinance Variance request and approved the revised Noise Ordinance Variance request.

(Item 184)

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

(Item 185)

Nathan Tipton, Director of Court Services, presented a request for approval of Out of State Travel for Alexandria Morrison, Education Specialist at JDC to attend 2026 BreakFree Education Teacher Fellowship in Washington, DC from June 11 – June 13, 2026. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this Out of State Travel request.

(Item 186)

Jeff Siegel, County Sheriff, presented a request for approval of Out of State Travel for Chaplain Jennifer Lanzen to attend International Conference of Police Chaplains in Spokane, Washington from July 20 – July 25, 2026. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this Out of State Travel request.

(Item 187)

The Weights & Measures Report for March 16th to April 16th, 2026 was submitted. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board accepted this report.

(Item 188)

BOARD ITEMS:

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, presented for consideration a Special Purchase Resolution with Kelly Chevy LLC. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved Special Purchase Resolution No. CO 2026-20.

(Item 189)

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Stephanie Kauffman, Middlebury, spoke.

Pam Keyser, Middlebury, spoke.

ADJOURNMENT:

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