MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

February 15, 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 member, Brad Rogers, was present. Board Member, Frank Lucchese attended VIRTUALLY. 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.

President Suzie Weirick reviewed the Privilege of the Floor Procedures.

On a motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the February 1st & February 8th, 2021 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:

On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Commissioner Meetings in the future will be held as REGULAR MEETINGS, with the minutes to be approved every first and third meeting. A roll call vote followed with all members voting; AYE.

Planning & Development, Jason Auvil requested approval for Karen S. Smaka & Jeffrey K. Smaka (Owner/Buyer) Almac Realty, Inc. (Seller) for a zone map change from A-1/GPUD M-2 to M-2, west side of County Road 23, 2,370 feet south of Earthway Drive, in Washington Township. Suzie Weirick opened a public meeting. No audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved to close 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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Planning & Development, Jason Auvil, requested approval for Perry L. Wetstone & Sharon A. Whetstone for a zone map change from R-2/R-4 to A-1, west side of East County Line Road, 580 feet south of the Indiana Toll Road, common address of 51465 East County Line Road, in Middlebury Township. Suzie Weirick opened a public hearing. No audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board closed the public hearing. 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 of the Board of Commissioners of Elkhart County, Indiana Expressing Support for Local Control of Land Use Decisions in reference to House Bill 1381. 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 Independent Contractor Agreement for Services by and between the Board of Commissioners and Jones, Petry, Rafinski Corporation for Rezoning Site for New Courthouse. 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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AUDIENCE ITEMS;

PRIVILEDGE OF THE FLOOR:

Glen Null spoke on several issues.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock