

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

March 1, 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 Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the February 15th & February 22nd, 2021 meetings and placed them on file.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from General Fund in the amount of \$75,000 for funds needed for Room 104 Reconstruction including, but not limited to, Technology Upgrade. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Construction Agreement with Norfolk Southern Railroad for the County Road 38 – County Road 31 to County Road 35 construction project. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Concord School/Former Astro Bowl Site Sale. The school acquired the property of Formal Affairs to resolve the easement issues left open with the County's sale to the School in 2019. This utilized the \$50,000 reserve hold back for the sale to address the easements. Attached is the letter report from Warrick & Boyn, legal counsel for the School, and the Purchase Agreement Amendment explaining the outcome to close out this transaction. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Ordinance Repealing Ordinance NOS. 00-677 and 03-452 Concerning a Juvenile Curfew for the Unincorporated Portions of Elkhart County, Indiana. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development, Natasha Kauffman, requested approval of DPUD Amendment for the Six Span Kayak Launch Project. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Weights & Measures Report for January 16th to February 15th, 2021.

BOARD ITEMS:

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Resolution for Proclamation Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried the Board approved this request.

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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

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.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock