

# MINUTES

## ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

May 24, 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; Patricia Pickens, County Auditor; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator 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 May 3<sup>rd</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup> & May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meetings and placed them on file.

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.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

Planning & Development, Mae Kratzer, requested approval of Seahawk Corporation & Finis Terra Inc. represented by Jones Petrie Rafinski for a Zone Map Change from GPUD E-3 to M-2, East of County Road 17, North of 80/90 Toll Road, in Washington Township. Suzie Weirick opened a public hearing. No audience members 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.

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Planning & Development, Mae Kratzer, requested approval of Seahawk Corporation represented by Jones Petrie Rafinski for a Zone Map Change from GPUD E-3 to M-2, Northeast Corner of County Road 4 & County Road 15, in Osolo Township. Suzie Weirick opened a public hearing. No audience members 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 Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development, Jason Auvil, requested approval of Michael Cataldo, represented by Jones Petrie Rafinski for a Zone Map Change from DPUD B-2/GPUD B-2 to DPUD B-2 and for a Primary approval of a 1-lot minor subdivision to be known as **CATALDO DPUD**. East side of County Road 11, 1,095 feet north of County Road 106, common address of 53282 County Road 11, in Osolo Township. Suzie Weirick opened a public hearing. No audience members 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.

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Planning & Development, Jason Auvil, requested approval of M & H Rentals LLC represented by Abonmarche Consultants, for a Zone Map Change from R-1 to DPUD B-3, and for a 1-lot minor subdivision to be known as **NEXT MDULAR DPUD B-3**. Northeast corner of County Road 17 and County Road 28, common address of 60929 Miami Place, in Concord 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 Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development, Jason Auvil, submitted the following with a recommendation of denial. Jayco, Inc. represented by Jones Petrie Refinski for a Zone Map Change from A-1 to M-2. Northeast corner of State Road 13 & County Road 4 in York Township. As of 4-20-2021 Jayco respectfully requested that the request for the rezoning petition be withdrawn. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board accepted to withdraw the request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of Deb Cramer to be appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals as an alternate. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Planning & Development Building Inspector, Kevin Williams, requested approval to request proposals for Unsafe Buildings/Demolition Bid Process and to be opened on June 14, 2021. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of the 2020 Annual Operational Report for Local Roads, Streets & Bridges. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of Traffic Ordinance placing No Truck Signs in the residential neighborhood in the southeast quadrant of County Road 4 and County Road 15. 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 Traffic Ordinance establishing a 45 MPH speed limit on County Road 3 from the southern Wakarusa Town limit to County Road 42. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of Addendum to Restated Independent Contractor Agreement for Services by and between the Board of Commissioners and Nationwide Janitorial Services, Inc. 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 2021 S-14 Supplement to the County Code. 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 to withdraw Annual Renewal of SRI Contract. On motion made Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board tabled this request for approximately two weeks.

Courtside Ministries request use of the Courthouse Property in Goshen and Elkhart for the month of June 2021. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Grace Community Church requested approval for a noise variance for the weekend of June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

**BOARD ITEMS:**

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR;**

Cindi Hajiek spoke on COVID concerns.

DeWayne Weaver spoke on COVID concerns.

Steph Kauffman spoke on COVID concerns.

Pam Keyser spoke on COVID concerns.

Olivia Hajiek spoke on Human Rights.

Glenn Null spoke on COVID passports.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned their meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita Mock