

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

July 6, 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 as amended of the June 21st, 2021 meeting and placed them on file. On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the June 28th, 2021 meeting 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 Debra Mora and Bruce McLeod represented by Marbach Brady & Weaver, Inc. for the vacation of a portion of a north/south and east/west unnamed county right-of-way, south side of Oregon Avenue, 150 feet west of County Road 1, south of County Road 16, in Baugo 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 Zoning Administrator, Jason Auvil, requested approval of The Town of Bristol Amendment to the Elkhart County 2006 Comprehensive Land Use Plan to replace that portion of the plan for the Town of Bristol area with the new Bristol 2030 Comprehensive Plan – "A Grand Vision of our Hometown". The Plan Commission will hold a

public hearing to discuss the plan amendment and make a recommendation on the plan amendment to both the Board of Commissioners of Elkhart County, Indiana and the Bristol Town Council. The jurisdictional limits of the Town of Bristol and the adjacent areas generally including the northwest side of the Town of Bristol, west of the St. Joseph River and around North Division Street, south of the I-80/I-90 Toll Road, and north of County Road 6; the northeast side of the Town of Bristol, east of the St. Joseph River, around the I-80/I-90 Toll Road and State Road 15 Interchange, south of County Road 4 and east of County Road 29; the southeast side of the Town of Bristol east of Industrial Drive and State Road 15; the northwest side of the Town of Bristol, south of State Road 120, north of County Road 23, and west of State Road 15. 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, Natasha Kauffman, requested approval of additional appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$65,520 for the County's share of the CDFI partnership. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick, the Board approved this request. Brad Rogers voted NAY.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$400,000 for funds to be used for the purchase of land. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from the General Fund in the amount of \$200,000 for funds to be used to resurface and seal several parking lots. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Fiber Department Representative, Ben Hudson, requested approval of Segment Agreement for MNW Telecom adding a drop at 4330 Elkhart Road. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Fiber Department Representative, Ben Hudson, requested approval of Segment Agreement for Commercial Broadband adding a drop at 3220 Southview Drive. On motion made by Brad Roger, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Fiber Department Representative, Ben Hudson, requested approval of Segment Agreement for Cozy Cloud IT adding a circuit and a drop at 13927 County Road 4. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Fiber Department Representative, Ben Hudson, requested approval of Segment Agreement for Cozy Cloud IT adding drop at 3 locations; 2965 LaVanture Place, 1136 Verdant Drive and 2780 County Road 6. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Fiber Department Representative, Ben Hudson, requested approval of Dark Fiber Subscription Agreement for Cozy Cloud IT. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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

BOARD ITEMS:

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Cindi Haijeck spoke on several issues.

DeWayne Weaver 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