

# MINUTES

## ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

**August 1, 2022**

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, 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 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 July 18<sup>th</sup> & July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 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:**

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested to open a public hearing for Possible Sale of Surplus County Owned Real Estate. 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.

County Attorney, Craig Buche, received Bids for Possible Sale of Such Surplus Real Estate located in the area of County Road 17 and County Road 20. One Bid was received by Myers Trust Realty, David J. & Elizabeth A. Myers. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept and review the Bid.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from North Baugo TIF Fund in the amount of \$3,145 for debt payment sewer/water project. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from County Road 6 and County Road 17 NE TIF Fund in the amount of \$55,000 for County Road 20 extension road design fees in coordination with County Highway Department and County Road 15 drainage improvements. 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 additional appropriation from EDIT Fund in the amount of \$725,000 for funds to pay for engineering services to replace Bridge 265 – Warren Street over the Little Elkhart River in Middlebury. This is a federal aid project in which 80% of these funds will be reimbursed to the County. 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 Community Crossings Grant Fund in the amount of \$1,000,000 for funds received from INDOT for the 2022-1 Community Crossings Matching Grant. On motion made by Brad Rogers, unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund in the amount of \$153,985 for funds received from the City of Goshen to repave County Road 33 from County Road 36 to County Road 38 in advance of the City's College Avenue Project to carry detour traffic. These funds are a 50% match as agreed in an Interlocal Agreement. 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 additional REDUCTION from the EDIT Fund in the amount of \$900,000 to reduce the entirety of the construction budget appropriated in 2019 for the reconstruction of Bridge 410 – on County Road 36 east of US Highway 33. 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 2022 Paving Program Agreement with Reith-Riley Construction Company. 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 2022 Performance Bond for Reith-Riley Construction Company for the 2022 Paving Program. 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 Amended Ordinance of Yield Regulations on Elkhart County Highways. 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 Amended Ordinance of Stop Regulations on Elkhart County Highways. 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 additional appropriation from Cumulative Building Fund in the amount of \$185,403.38 for funds to contribute to the Goshen Courthouse steps and close out this fund. 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 additional REDUCTION request from American Rescue Plan Fund in the amount of \$11,736 for Builders Risk Project #222642 close out. 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 Elkhart County Series 2022 Bonds Disbursement of Funds from Project Fund #1001026397. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Health Department Director, Melanie Sizemore, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form for Healthy Babies. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Health Department Director, Melanie Sizemore, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form for WIC – Women, Infant & Children. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Health Department Director, Melanie Sizemore, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form for WIC – Breastfeeding Peer Counselors. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Emergency Management First Deputy, Lee Greenamy, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form for 2023 HMEP/EMA (Hazardous Material Grant) Training/Conference 14,290.00, 100% reimbursable from IDHS. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Emergency Management First Deputy, Lee Greenamy, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form for 2023 HMEP/LEPC #1 Technician Course/Trailer supplies 20,000, 100% reimbursable from IDHS. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Emergency Management First Deputy, Lee Greenamy, requested approval of 2023 HMEP/LEPC #2 Exercise 16,350.00, 100% reimbursable from IDHS. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Emergency Management First Deputy, Lee Greenamy, requested approval of 2023 HMEP/LEPC \$3 Hazwhopper course (2)/Equipment 19,500.00, 100% reimbursable from IDHS. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Emergency Management First Deputy, Lee Greenamy, requested approval of 2022 SHSP Cybersecurity 141,287.00, 100% reimbursable from IDHS. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Emergency Management First Deputy, Lee Greenamy, requested approval of 2022 SHSP TRUNAC detection unit 31,000.00, 100% reimbursable from IDHS. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Landfill Director, John Bowers, requested approval of adjusting Landfill hours of operation due to staff shortages. He explained the hours would be cut to provide moving to only one shift with working hours: Monday thru Friday 8am to 4:30pm and Saturdays from 9am to 11:45am. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

**BOARD ITEMS:**

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita Mock