

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

August 22, 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 Cynthia Chadwell, Council Recording Secretary. Administrative Manager, Anita Mock, was absent.

***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 Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

Planning & Development Building Inspector, Kevin Williams, received Bids to Demolition Project located at 110 North Brown Street in Middlebury. The bids received are as follows:

- Jerry Reed Excavating in the amount of \$28,013.00.
- Daniel Bontrager Excavating in the amount of \$28,500.00
- Door & Associates in the amount of 68,800.00.

On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the Bids and referred to Planning & Development for review.

Director of Parks, Ronda DeCaire, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form from the Community Foundation of Elkhart County in the amount of \$203,000 for the Corson Riverwoods County Park Project. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Director of Parks, Ronda DeCaire, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form from the South Bend/Elkhart Regional Partnership READI Grant in the amount of \$157,500 for the Corson Riverwoods County Park Project. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request

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Director of Parks, Ronda DeCaire, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form acceptance of a \$25,000 gift from the Well Foundation towards the Pollinator Play Path. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Director of Parks, Ronda DeCaire, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form acceptance of a \$12,500 gift from the Bontrager Family Foundation towards the Pollinator Play Path. 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 NIPSCO Electrical Service for the New Courthouse Project. On motion made by Brad, Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Quit-Claim Deed from the Board of Commissioners to York Township for real estate for cemetery purposes. 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 Bid Award for Surplus Real Estate to David & Elizabeth Myers for property located in the area of County Road 17 and County Road 20. On motion made by Brad Rogers, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request, subject to a definitive exchange agreement.

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County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Elkhart County Written Notice to Proceed of the Addendum to the Agreement with Tax Management Associates, Inc. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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BOARD ITEMS:

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Lauren Howard, 110 North Brown Street, Middlebury, IN asked that the demolition of said address be postponed due to her suspicion that the fire that damaged the building was suspicious in nature.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock