

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

February 20, 2023

President Brad Rogers 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, Suzie Weirick and Bob Barnes were also present. Others present were Craig Buche, County Attorney; Patricia Pickens, 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 Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the February 6th & February 13th, 2023 meetings and placed them on file.

On a motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

Planning & Development Zoning Administrator, Jason Auvil, requested approval of G & D Investments for a zone map change from PUD B-2 to B-2, southeast corner of US Highway 33 & County Road 113, common address of 23440 US Highway 33, in Concord Township. Doug Miller spoke in favor of the request. Brad Rogers opened a public hearing. No audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board closed the public hearing. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Zoning Administrator, Jason Auvil, requested approval of SGL Holdings LLC for a zone map change from M-1 with a condition to M-1 with no condition, south side of County Road 4, 1,550 feet east of County Road 39, common address of 11732 County Road 4, in York Township. He also advised that the request would include removing the word "cargo" to allow flexibility with the property use. Matt Arnold spoke in favor of the request. Brad Rogers opened a public hearing. Glenn Null spoke in favor of the request. No other audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board closed the public hearing. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request with the removal of the word "cargo."

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Planning & Development Zoning Administrator, Jason Auvil, requested approval of Timothy Frey & Stella M. Frey, Husband & Wife for a zone map change from A-1 to DPUD M-1 and for primary approval of a 1-lot minor subdivision to be known as **HIGHBALL DPUD M-1**, west side of County Road 17, 2,170 feet north of County Road 46, common address of 68563 County Road 17, in Union Township. Surveying & Mapping Representative, Debra Hughes, explained the request. Brad Rogers opened a public hearing. No audience members wished to speak on this matter. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board closed the public hearing. On motion made by Suzie Weirick seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of INDOT – LPA Contract Amendment for Bridge 312 – County Road 142 over Turkey Creek. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval to advertise for Bids for the 2023 Wedging Program. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval for vehicle purchase for the Highway Department. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Health Department Director, Melanie Sizemore, requested approval for Out of State Travel for Richard Hostetler to attend National Association of County Health Officers in Denver, Colorado from July 10-13, 2023. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Health Department Director, Melanie Sizemore, requested approval of Out of State Travel for Maria Navarro to attend Annual National WIC Association Education and Training Conference in San Diego, California from April 30 – May 4, 2023. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Health Department Director, Melanie Sizemore, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form for BOLD Public Health Programs to Address Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes 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 Tobacco Prevention and Control (TPC). On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Sheriff Department, Sheriff Jeff Siegel, requested approval of Grant Application Review Form for AOD Interdiction STAR Grant. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval of Resolution of the Elkhart County Commissioners Under Indiana Code 6-1.1-24-6.7 Authorizing Transfer of Tax Sale Certificates to Habitat for Humanity of Elkhart County, Inc. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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BOARD ITEMS:

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Glenn Null spoke on several issues.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned their meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock