

# MINUTES

## ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

**March 27, 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 was absent and Bob Barnes was also present. Others present were Craig Buche, County Attorney; Patricia Pickens, Auditor; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator and Kelly Ropp, 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 Bob Barnes, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office.

On motion made by Bob Barnes seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Weights & Measurers Report from February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

County Highway Engineer, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of INDOT-LPA contract for Bridge 385-CR18 over Yellow Creek for design phase. On motion made by Bob Barnes and seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried the Board approved this request. (Page 145)

County Highway Engineer, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of 2023 CCMG Paving Program agreement with Niblock Excavating. This is twelve miles of paving. The cost is \$1,927,004.11. On a motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. (Page 146)

County Highway Engineer, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of 2023 CCMG Paving Program Performance Bond with Niblock Excavating. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. (Page 147)

Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, requested approval to close Market Street between Main and Clinton in New Paris on May 12th, and 19th, 2023. On a motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Brad Rogers and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, requested approval of the Goshen Courthouse Lawn to be used by National Day of Prayer Task Force, for music and prayer on May 4, 2023. The timeline for use is 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. On a motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Brad Rogers that they would grant the approval as long as there was no use of sound equipment per Ordinance during business hours. Unanimously carried, the Board approved this request with the restriction listed.

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**BOARD ITEMS:**

None

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Ropp