

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 24, 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 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 Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims as presented by the County Auditor's office.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

John Bowers, Landfill, Requested approval of Qualified Recycling Hauler Agreement this Agreement entered into with the Board of Commissioners of Elkhart County and Borden Waste-Away Service. On motion made by Bob Barnes, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Charlie McKenzie, Highway, Requested approval of INDOT Letter of Understanding/Unofficial Detour regarding SR 13 bridge deck overlay over the Elkhart River. The route has been identified. On motion made by Suzie Weirick seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Charlie McKenzie, Highway, Requested approval of amendment to Speed Regulations on Elkhart County Highways. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, and seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. Ordinance No. CO 2023-26.

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Charlie McKenzie, Highway, Requested approval of amendment to Speed Regulations on Elkhart County Highways. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, and seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. Ordinance No. CO 2023-25.

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Charlie McKenzie, Highway, Requested approval of a special purchase of upfit equipment for snow and ice handling for two trucks for the Elkhart County Highway Department. On motion made by Suzie Weirick seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. Charlie mentioned there will be an additional appropriation Reduction needed for this, but the net will be zero. On motion made by Suzie Weirick seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.
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Jeff Taylor, County Administrator, requested approval to award CR 20 Access Road project to low bidder Niblock Excavating for \$667,867.20. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.
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BOARD ITEMS:

Craig Buche, County Attorney, requested the use of the Goshen Courthouse Lawn for the 2023 Arbor Day Celebration. An attachment was provided for the restrictions and conditions of this approval. The sale of beer and wine will require a temporary alcohol permit. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.
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Craig Buche, County Attorney, requested approval of an ordinance of The Elkhart County Commissioners granting exception to Policy Manual for Downtown Goshen, Inc. as a special exception for this event only. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request. Ordinance No. CO 2023-24.

Steve Olsen, County Attorney, requested approval of Master Service Agreement with Network Solutions Inc. for procurement of the equipment for the new courts project. It is a special purchase resolution with a special discount. The total cost is \$1,837,878.80. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Bob Barnes and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Ropp