

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

July 6, 2020

President Mike Yoder 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 Suzie Weirick, were present. Others present were Patricia Pickens, County Auditor; Craig Buche, County Attorney; Jeff Taylor, County Administrator and Anita Mock; Executive Assistant.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the June 15th, June 22nd & June 29th 2020 meetings and placed them on file.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, 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 Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Cumulative Capital Fund for \$196,000 for the following projects: \$71,000 for funds to replace COVID Expenses; \$75,000 for funds for painting, floor restoration, cabinets, carpeting, etc., at the Goshen Courthouse; & \$50,000 for funds for medical service contract with Wellpath at Community Corrections. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, 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 COVID-19 Cares Act Fund for \$500,000 for funds for Cares Act Expenditures. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Drug-Free Partnership Representative, Jessica Koscher, requested approval of additional appropriation from Environmental Special Project Fund for \$50,000 for funds to support Elkhart County Drug-Free Partnership. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, 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 for \$207,199 for the 2020 Contribution to the Economic Development Corporation of Elkhart County. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development Director, Chris Godlewski, requested approval of additional appropriation from North West Gateway TIF Fund for \$60,613 for a transfer between funds to pay for spring bond payment. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, 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 & County Road 17 North East TIF Fund for \$139,275 for a transfer between funds for annual bond payments. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, received bids for Bridge 269 Replacement – County Road 1 over Fisher Gordon Ditch. The following Bids were received: RG Zachrich Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$897,566.50; LaPorte Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$640,931.00; Northern Indiana Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$526,525.06; JCI Bridge Group in the amount of \$685,210.00; & Reith-Riley Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$859,948.91. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved to accept and review the bids.

County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval for Airmarking Contract and Performance Bond in the amount of \$368,000.00 for the 2020 Paving Marking Program. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the request from Courtside Ministries for use of the Courthouse Lawn in Goshen and Elkhart for the month of July.

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Weights & Measures Report for May 16th to June 15th, 2020.

BOARD ITEMS:

County Attorney, Craig Buche, requested approval for Grant of Drainage and Storm Sewer Easement for property in the area for Bridge 269 Replacement. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock