

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 13, 2015

Vice President Mike Yoder called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' meeting room in the County Administration Building, 117 North Second Street, Goshen, Indiana. The other two (2) Board members, Frank Lucchese was present and Terry Rodino, was absent. Others present were Pauline Graff, County Auditor; Tom Byers, County Administrator; and Kathy Erschen, Executive Assistant.

County Auditor Pauline Graff opened bids and Tom Rushlow, County Highway Engineer, read the bids for the Summit Street over Berlin Ditch Superstructure Replacement Project for the highway department. Bids were received from Rieth-Riley Construction Co. for \$167,809.00; LaPorte Construction Co., Inc. for \$255,332.50 and Northern Indiana Construction Co., Inc. for \$211,448.20.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board accepted the bids and forwarded them to county highway engineering for tabulation, review and a recommendation for awarding the bid. The bids are available at the highway department.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims and ratified the claims for 4/6/2015, when only one commissioner was available, as presented by the county auditor's office.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Independent Professional Services Regarding Implementation of the Elkhart County Blight Elimination Program with LaCasa, Inc. and LaCasa Real Estate Holdings, LLC, as requested by Kris Krueger, Grants Procurement Specialist. The grant for this program is from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) for the amount of \$2,735,000. A copy of the MOU is on file in the Commissioners' office.

Craig Buche from the county attorney's office, asked for approval of an Interlocal Agreement with the Redevelopment Commission to improve the CR 6/CR 17 intersection and to establish up to two (2) public right of way entrances in the Elkhart East development located at the southwest intersection of CR 6 and CR 17 in order to serve the Northeast Corridor TIF District. The developers, Almac, Inc. and Ludwig Investments, Inc., are also a part of this agreement.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved the Interlocal Agreement as presented. A copy of the agreement is on file in the Commissioners' office.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved a contract with INDOT for a study for intersection improvement with new signals for CR 18 at CR 13 and CR 115 intersections, as requested by

Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation. A copy of the contract is on file in the Commissioners' office. This is a federal aid project.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved Supplement No. 1 with INDOT for the CR 8/CR 10 Bike/Pedestrian Trail from CR 17 to Pheasant Ridge Drive, as requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation. A copy of the contract is on file in the Commissioners' office.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved out of state travel for two (2) health department employees to go to St. Louis, MO in April for STD/HIV Prevention Training.

Glenn Null voiced some concerns he has with the county.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board adjourned their meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy L. Erschen

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ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 20, 2015

Vice 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 two Board members, Frank Lucchese was present and Terry Rodino was absent. Others present were Sheriff Brad Rogers, Pauline Graff, County Auditor; Gordon Lord, County Attorney; Tom Byers, County Administrator and Kathy Erschen, Executive Assistant.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the March 16th, 23rd, 30th and April 13th, 2015 meetings and placed them on file.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims to include payroll, as presented by the county auditor's office.

Dr. Nafziger, Health Officer, asked for approval of an Ordinance Establishing the BABE Store Fund. He explained that this fund will receive donations that will be used only for the benefit of the BABE Store program and the county auditor's office will be the fiscal agent until they can receive a 503 status and accept donations independently.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board adopted the Ordinance as presented.

The Ordinance is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BABE STORE FUND

WHEREAS Indiana Code Sections 36-1-3-1 et seq. permit any County in the State of Indiana to exercise any power or perform any function necessary to the public interest in the context of its municipal or internal affairs, which is not prohibited by the Constitution of the United States or of the State of Indiana, or denied or pre-empted by any other law, or is not expressly granted by any other law to another governmental entity;

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the County of Elkhart, Indiana is the County executive and legislative body and is by law authorized to adopt ordinances and resolutions for the performance of functions within the County of Elkhart, Indiana;

WHEREAS the Elkhart County Health Department has recommended the creation of a fund that will exclusively receive donations made to pay or reimburse expenses for the BABE Store Program that will offer a place for pregnant women and parents of infants and young children to "shop" using coupons that have been earned from community programs;

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of Elkhart County, Indiana is by law authorized to create such a fund;

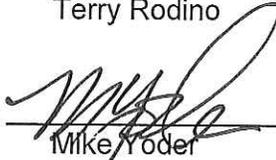
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED by the Elkhart County Board of Commissioners as follows:

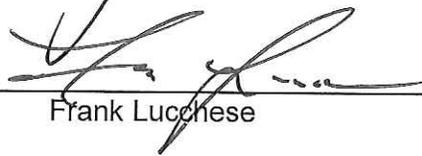
1. Fund Establishment. There is hereby established a separate and distinct fund to be named the BABE Store Fund.
2. Fiscal Administration. The Elkhart County Treasurer shall serve as the custodian of the BABE Store Fund and the County Auditor shall serve as the auditing agent for and is hereby authorized to oversee the administration of the BABE Store Fund.
3. Receipts. Monies deposited to the Fund are limited to donations made only for the use and benefit of the BABE Store program. No General fund tax dollars or other monies will be utilized to supplement the Fund.
4. Expenditures. Monies in the BABE Store Fund are not subject to appropriation since all deposits are donations, the Fund has a narrow and limited purpose, and the expenditures will be subject to the approval of the Elkhart County Health Officer. All expenditures are to be used for the payment or reimbursement of expenses of the BABE Store program, subject to the approval of the Elkhart County Health Officer.
5. Non-Reverting Fund. Any and all monies in the BABE Store Fund at the end of the calendar year shall not revert to another fund but shall remain in said Fund as a separate non-reverting fund.
6. Effective Date. The Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the date of passage by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Elkhart, Indiana.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Elkhart, Indiana has adopted this Ordinance this 20 day of April, 2015.

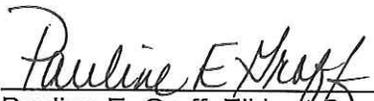
BOARD OF COMMISSOINERS OF THE
COUNTY OF ELKHART, INDIANA

By: ABSENT
Terry Rodino

By: 
Mike Yoder

By: 
Frank Lucchese

ATTEST:


Pauline E. Graff, Elkhart County Auditor

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved paying for food up to \$800 for a Community Corrections Advisory Board meeting being held on May 15, 2015 , as requested by Lauren Duesler from Community Corrections.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved an out of state travel request for four (4) employees in Community Corrections to go to Los Angeles, CA for the AAPA/World Conference & Sentinel visit in July 2015.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved a Full Service Food & Beverage Vending Agreement with Maple City Vending, LLC for Community Corrections, as requested by Lauren Duesler from Community Corrections. A copy of the agreement is on file in the Commissioners' office.

Mark Kanney from planning and development presented a request for Susan C. McCollough for a zone map change from M-2 to B-2 located on the south corner of CR 56 & Hammond Street, 750 feet northwest of US 20 Bypass in Concord Township. This was sent to the Board with a recommendation for approval from the plan commission. Mr. Kanney said this is an existing house and they would like to keep it that way. There were no comments from anyone in the audience. On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board closed the public hearing.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved the zone map change request and adopted an ordinance establishing this zone map change.

The Ordinance is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. PC 2015-05

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. PC 2014-20 KNOWN AS THE ELKHART COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE BY REZONING THE AREA OF REAL ESTATE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED FROM M-2 TO B-2.

WHEREAS, Susan C. McCollough, submitted an application to rezone real estate hereinafter described from M-2 to B-2, and after proper legal notice, a public hearing was held as provided by Law, and the Plan Commission did find that all elements of the Law have been met and did on the 12th day of March, 2015, recommend approval of a zone change from M-2 to B-2 and filed their recommendation with the Board of County Commissioners of Elkhart County, Indiana.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

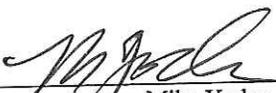
Legal Description

See Exhibit "A"

BE rezoned from M-2 to B-2 effective immediately, and the zone maps dated November 18, 2014, and made a part of Section 4.1.2 of the Elkhart County Zoning Ordinance as amended and hereby ordered amended and changed to reflect the said rezoning of said real estate.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA THIS 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 2015

BY ABSENT
Terry Rodino

BY 
Mike Yoder

BY 
Frank Lucchese

Attest: 
Pauline E. Graff, Auditor for Elkhart County

Ord. # PC2015-05

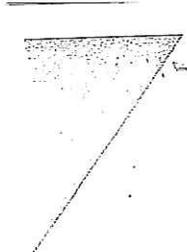


EXHIBIT A

A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 15, Township 37 North, Range 5 East, Concord Township, more particularly described as follows: Assuming the West line of said Quarter Quarter Section is due North and South and commencing at a stone at the Southwest corner of said Quarter Section; thence due North along the West line of said Quarter Quarter Section 535.85 feet; thence South 89°10' East and 25 feet to an Iron stake at the Northeast corner of Clayton Street and Martindale Avenue; thence North on the East line of said Clayton Street 75 feet to the place of beginning of this description; thence North 68°32' East 216.1 feet to the Southwesterly line of Hammond Avenue; thence North 37°28' West along said Hammond Avenue, 330.79 feet to the East line of Clayton Street; thence due South 341.67 feet to the place of beginning.

Liz Gunden from planning and development presented a request for Agnes B. Blakesley Trust (seller) & Universal Trailer Corporation (buyer), represented by Marbach, Brady & Weaver, Inc. for a zone map change from A-1 to a GPUD M-2 to be known as Bristol Park for Industry Phase 4 GPUD M-2 located on the southwest corner of CR 4 and CR 29 in Washington Township. The Plan Commission has sent this to the Board with a recommendation for approval. This development will have public water and sewer and are in the process of being annexed by the town of Bristol. Chris Marbach, representing the petitioner, showed a map of the area that has been already annexed and he said Bristol is planning to annex the remainder. There were no other comments from anyone in the audience. On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board closed the public hearing.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved the zone map change and adopted an ordinance establishing this zone map change.

The Ordinance is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. PC 2014-20 KNOWN AS THE ELKHART COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE BY REZONING THE AREA OF REAL ESTATE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED FROM A-1 TO GPUD M-2, TO BE KNOWN AS BRISTOL PARK FOR INDUSTRY PHASE 4 – GPUD M-2.

WHEREAS, Agnes B. Blakesley Trust (seller) and Universal Trailer Corporation (buyer), represented by Marbach, Brady & Weaver, Inc., submitted a petition to change the zone maps for the real estate described in **SECTION 1** of this ordinance from A-1 to **GPUD-M-2** on the 2nd day of February, 2015;

WHEREAS, The Site Plan Review Committee did critique the General Development Plan petition as submitted and made those comments part of the file for consideration by the Elkhart County Plan Commission;

WHEREAS, The Staff for the Elkhart County Advisory Plan Commission did cause the publishing of the legal advertisements for the Public Hearing in **The Elkhart Truth** on the 7th day of March, 2015 and in **The Goshen News** on the 28th day of February, 2015 and did mail as prescribed by Rule and Law the Notice of Public Hearing to all persons of record within 300 feet;

WHEREAS, The Elkhart County Advisory Plan Commission did give reasonable regard to the criteria established by Section 3.4 – General Planned Unit Development of the Elkhart County Zoning Ordinance;

WHEREAS, The Elkhart County Advisory Plan Commission did hold a public hearing as provided by law on the 12th day of March, 2015 and did take public input at that meeting; **And**

WHEREAS, The petition was sent to the Board of County Commissioners for Elkhart County with a Favorable Recommendation and reasonable Conditions as outlined in this Ordinance.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

- SECTION 1.** That the legal description of the real estate attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is made a part of this Ordinance and incorporated herein by this reference.
- SECTION 2.** That the real estate described in **SECTION 1** of this Ordinance be rezoned from A-1 to **GPUD-M-2** effective immediately and the zone maps adopted by reference in PC 2014-20 known as the Elkhart County Zoning Ordinance for Elkhart County, Indiana be amended and ordered amended and changed to reflect the said rezoning of said real estate.
- SECTION 3.** That the General Planned Unit Development be granted for the real estate described in **SECTION 1** of this Ordinance.
- SECTION 4.** That Prior to any Improvement Locations Permit(s) or Building Permit(s) being issued for the real estate described in **SECTION 1** of this Ordinance a Detailed Planned Unit Development Ordinance must be adopted and recorded. This may be for any part of said real estate that complies with the provisions of Section 3.4 of the Elkhart County Zoning Ordinance.
- SECTION 5.** That the General Development Plan is made part of this Ordinance by this reference and shall be maintained in the files of the Elkhart County Advisory Plan Commission.

Liz Gunden from planning and development presented a request for Kerey Allan Defreese for a zone map change from B-1 to R-1 located on the south side of CR 6, 270 feet east of CR 11 in Osolo Township. The purpose of the petition was for resale purposes because the lending institutions wouldn't lend money for a house that is in a B-1 zoning district. The Plan Commission sent this to the Board with a recommendation of denial because this property is surrounded by B-1 zoning. A house is permitted in B-1 zoning so the planning department provided Mr. Defreese with a letter to give to lending institutions advising them of this and he since has a buyer interested in the house. There were no other comments from anyone in the audience. On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board closed the public hearing.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board denied the zone map change from B-1 to R-1 and adopted a Resolution establishing the denial.

The Resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. PC 2015-07

WHEREAS, Kerey Allan Defreese, submitted an application to rezone real estate hereinafter described from B-1 to R-1 and after proper legal notice a public hearing was held as provided by Law, and the Plan Commission did find that all elements of the Law have been met and did on March 12, 2015, recommend denial of a zone change from B-1 to R-1 and filed their recommendation with the Board of County Commissioners of Elkhart County Indiana.

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners reviewed the testimony and documents available in this petition, did on April 20, 2015, at their regular public meeting, vote to deny this petition.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

Berry's Subdivision, Middle 100 feet of Lot 9.

NOT BE rezoned from B-1 to R-1.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA THIS 20th DAY OF APRIL, 2015.

ABSENT

By
Terry Rodino



By
Mike Yoder



By
Frank Lucchese

Attest: 
Pauline Graff, Elkhart County Auditor

Resolution prepared by Liz Gunden, Planner III for Elkhart County. I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security Number in this document, unless required by law.

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Mark Kanney from planning and development presented a request for Jerry W. & Ruby Bontrager for a zone map change from A-1 to M-2 for property located on the west side of SR 13, 500 feet south of CR 4 in York Township. The Plan Commission has recommended denial of the request. It was felt an M-2 was not appropriate for the location of this property. Mr. Bontrager wants to have a sawmill on the property and said he has a neighbor that wants to rent the property for a sawmill and eventually would like to buy the property so that is why he is requesting the M-2 zoning. Mr. Yoder questioned if a sawmill is allowed in an A-1 zone and they stated only with a special use permit of some kind. Mr. Lucchese said there is a lot of rezoning creeping south in this area and M-2 would allow for manufacturing but there is not sewer or water available in this area at the present time. Mr. Yoder feels that an M-2 is too broad with all the uses allowed but thinks a sawmill would be okay on this property so perhaps another way to do that would be more acceptable. Mr. Lord suggested Mr. Bontrager look at other ways to do this that would be more restrictive and controlled. On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board closed the public hearing.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board denied the request for the rezoning from A-1 to M-2 and adopted a Resolution establishing this denial.

The Resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. PC 2015-08

WHEREAS, Jerry and Ruby Bontrager submitted an application to rezone real estate hereinafter described from A-1 to M-2, and after proper legal notice, a public hearing was held as provided by Law, and the Plan Commission did find that all elements of the Law have not been met and did on the 12th day of March, 2015 recommend a denial of the zone change from A-1 to M-2 and filed their recommendation for adoption of this Resolution with the Board of County Commissioners of Elkhart County, Indiana.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

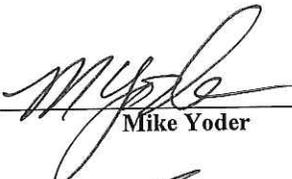
Legal Description

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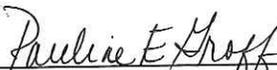
NOT BE rezoned from A-1 to M-2.

**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA
THIS 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 2015**

BY ABSENT
Terry Rodino

BY 
Mike Yoder

BY 
Frank Lucchese

Attest: 
Pauline Graff, Elkhart County Auditor

Resolution prepared by Mark Kanney, Planner III for Elkhart County. I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security Number in this document, unless required by law.

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ATTACHMENT "A"

Part of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 23, Township 38 North, Range 7 East, situate in York Township, Elkhart County, State of Indiana, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the West line of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section 23, said point being 554 feet North of the Southwest corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section 23; thence Eastwardly parallel with the South line of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section 23 to the Westerly right-of-way line of Indiana State Road 13; thence Northeastwardly along the Westerly right-of-way of said Indiana State Road 13 to the Northeast corner of land described in a deed to Gene Oscar Foreman and Nancy Mildred Foreman, husband and wife (Deed Record 328, page 106); thence Westwardly along the North line of said Foreman land to the West line of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section 23; thence Southwardly along the West line of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section 23 to the place of beginning of this description.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board appointed Susie Weirick as an alternate to the Elkhart County Board of Zoning Appeals, as requested by Chris Godlewski, Director of Planning.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board awarded the bid for the Summit Street Bridge over Berlin Court Ditch project to Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc. for \$167,809.00, as requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation. They were the low bidder for the project.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved an out of state travel request for Tom Rushlow from highway engineering to go to Pittsburgh, PA in June for the International Bridge Conference.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved an Independent Contractor Agreement with R&R Benefits/Risk Management, LLC for insurance services for three (3) years, as requested by Tom Byers, County Administrator. The cost is the same as the previous years which is \$75,000 with a possible bonus of \$10,000 dependent on the services given to the county. A copy of the agreement is on file in the Commissioners' office. This is not for health insurance.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board appointed John McKee to the Common Wage Committee for the town of Middlebury.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board accepted the Weights & Measures report for February 16th-March 15th, 2015 and the Solid Waste-Landfill report for March 2015 and placed them on file.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board ratified the purchase agreement between the Elkhart County Complex Building Corporation, Elkhart County and City Securities for refunding one of the bonds for the corrections complex, as requested by Gordon Lord, County Attorney.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board ratified the agreement with Umbaugh Associates for finance services for the bond refunding, as also requested by Gordon Lord, County Attorney.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board approved and signed a deed to the Board of Commissioners (themselves) for right of way for the Kercher Road bridge project, as requested by Gordon Lord, County Attorney.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board signed a Lease with David & Beth Birky for a house at 307 West Kercher Road, Goshen, Indiana, as also requested by Gordon Lord, County Attorney. This will expire August 31, 2015. A copy of the lease is on file in the Commissioners' office.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder after duly vacating the chair and carried, the Board adjourned their meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy L. Erschen

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 27, 2015

President Terry Rodino 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 two (2) Board members, Frank Lucchese and Mike Yoder, were also present. Others present were Pauline Graff, County Auditor and Tom Byers, County Administrator.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Allowance of Claims, as presented by the county auditor's office.

On a motion made by Mike Yoder, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed a Letter of Understanding with INDOT for an unofficial detour for a small structure replacement on US 33 over the Elkhart River located 4.44 miles north of SR 13, as requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation. The detour will be west on CR 44 to south on CR 31, east on CR 46, south on CR 33, to east on CR 146. A copy of the letter is on file in the Commissioners' office. Construction is scheduled to start in June 2015.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board gave permission to obtain quotes for two (2) pick-up trucks with snow plows for the highway department, as requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation. They will replace three (3) trucks that have high mileage.

On a motion made by Mike Yoder, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board granted permission to purchase a core drill for asphalt pavement at a cost not to exceed \$9,000 for the highway department, as requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board granted permission to hire Grade Rite Excavation to install a mound septic system at the CR 38 highway truck barn at a cost of \$19,957, as also requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation.

Diane Madison, Parks Director, asked for approval of a grant application to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) for \$200,000 for continued construction of the Pumpkinvine Bike Trail. The total cost is \$650,000. After the grant is approved, it will take 18-24 months for the construction. This portion will be from CR 20 to CR 33.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Mike Yoder and unanimously carried, the Board approved the grant application.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy L. Erschen