

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

April 24, 2017

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 (2) Board members, Frank Lucchese and Suzie Weirick, were also present. Others present were Pauline Graff, County Auditor; Tom Byers, County Administrator; and Kathy Erschen, Executive Assistant.

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

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the Agreement, Performance Bond & Maintenance Bond with Northern Indiana Construction Co., Inc. for the Henke Street over Puterbaugh Creek culvert replacement project for the highway department, as requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation. The bid was awarded at an earlier meeting. A copy of the Agreement is on file in the Commissioners' office.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the 2016 Annual Operational Report for the highway department, as requested by Jeff Taylor, Manager of Transportation. A copy of the report is on file in the Commissioners' office.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved a Resolution Supporting a Special Purchase of Portable Radios, Microphones, and Headsets for the Elkhart County Sheriff's Department, as requested by Tom Byers, County Administrator. They have been approved by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute for a grant of \$198,149 for the purchase of the radios.

The Resolution is as follows:

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved a Locum Tenens Agreement with Barton & Associates, Inc. for dental services for the Elkhart County Health Department at a cost of \$160 per hour, as requested by Dr. Nafziger, Health Director. This agreement will end on June 29, 2017 unless extended or modified by the Parties' mutual written agreement. A copy of the agreement is on file in the Commissioners' office.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board adopted a Resolution for a special purchase for vehicle fleet leasing, as requested by Tom Byers, County Administrator. This will allow the county to enter into a vehicle leasing and purchasing option.

The Resolution is as follows:

John Bowers, Landfill Manager, addressed the Board regarding a "Policy Statement" regarding a landfill rate change for Grade A, Grade B & Grade C wood byproducts in the form of shavings, chips and/or mulch that would be effective immediately for 180 days or until a new rate ordinance is adopted. The rate would be \$10.00 per ton. This rate change is allowed for certain loads and special hauling circumstances under Ordinance No. CC-2006-19.

On a motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the "Policy Statement for Landfill Rate Change" as proposed.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved a Release and Indemnification Agreement with Christopher & Tiffany Faigh for a dog named "Imi" for the Community Corrections Department, as requested by Tom Byers, County Administrator. A copy of the Agreement is on file in the Commissioners' office.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy L. Erschen