

# MINUTES

## ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

**November 4, 2019**

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 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 October 21<sup>st</sup> & October 28<sup>th</sup> 2019 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 the Major Moves Fund for \$250,000 for funds to replace computers at the Sheriff's Office and squad cars. Payment will be made annually by funds with the recommendation of up to 2% interest. 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 Public Safety LOIT Fund for \$200,000 for funds needed for medications for inmates. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from General Fund for \$200,000 for funds needed for the repairs to the Goshen Courthouse including, but not limited to, restrooms, painting, carpet, furniture, etc. 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 General Fund for \$100,000 for funds needed for wage compensation study. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from General Fund for \$70,000 for funds needed to repair the toe drain at the Dam on County Property (Park Department). 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 General Fund for \$200,000 for funds needed for security upgrades to the Courthouses and other Buildings. 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 General Fund for \$57,000 for funds needed for Work Release Audit. 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 North West Gateway TIF Fund for \$27,068 for funds to pay for fall bond payment and continuing disclosure fees. 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 County Road 6 and County Road 17 NE TIF Fund for \$1,068 for continuing disclosure fees. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of the Community Crossings INDOT-LPA Contract. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional appropriation from Local Road & Street for \$180,000 for funds to move appropriation from 1176 (MVH). Appropriation from 1176 for this purchase is being reduced to zero. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional appropriation from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$ 60,000 to pay for group insurance for the remainder of 2019. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional appropriation from Major Bridge Fund for \$750,000 for the December 2019 Major Moves principal payment for Six Span and the December 2019 interest payment for Six Span. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional appropriation from Local Road & Street Fund for \$40,000 for funds to pay for vehicle repair labor for the remainder of 2019. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional appropriation from EDIT Fund for \$400,000 for funds to pay December 2019 Major Moves Principal Payment and December 2019 Major Moves Interest Payment. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional appropriation from Storm Water Fund for \$50,000 for funds to make various repairs to storm water infrastructure. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional appropriation from EDIT Fund for \$48,500 for funds to repair guardrails when damaged in an accident. When possible, costs are recovered through billing the party responsible and recovered funds are put back into EDIT. Also, to fund traffic counts contracted to MACOG. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Elkhart County Highway Manager of Transportation, Charlie McKenzie, requested approval of additional REDUCTION from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$180,000 due to reducing purchase of loaders from Fund 1176 and appropriating to Fund 1169. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Cumulative Capital Development Fund for \$150,000 for deployment of network hardware and updating security across the network. 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 Cumulative Capital Development Fund for \$16,000. The funds are \$7,000 to cover excess hours for the remainder of 2019 and \$9,000 to cover funds for Fiber System Plant Supervisor through the remainder of 2019. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Buildings & Grounds Director, Bruce Maclachlan, requested approval of additional appropriation from General Fund for \$20,000 for funds to cover Laundry, Cleaning, Custodian for the remainder of 2019. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Buildings & Grounds Director, Bruce Maclachlan, requested approval of additional appropriation from General Fund for \$42,000 for funds to cover Water & Sewage for the remainder of 2019. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Buildings & Grounds Director, Bruce Maclachlan, requested approval of additional appropriation from General Fund for \$20,000 for funds to cover the costs of rental for Archives Building. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Buildings & Grounds Director, Bruce Maclachlan, requested approval of additional appropriation from General Fund for \$200,000 for funds to cover cost of electric for the remainder of 2019. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested additional appropriation from Project Income, department 614 for \$9,000 for fuel and vehicle repair for the remainder of 2019. This also has a corresponding additional REDUCTION for the same amount in department 615, to close out the line item. 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 additional appropriation from Project Income for \$81,000, department 614 to fund payroll for Case Managers, Paraprofessionals and PERF for the remainder of 2019. This also has a corresponding additional REDUCTION to show the close out of department 615. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Administrator, Jeff Taylor, requested additional appropriation from Project Income for \$102,500, department 614, for Other Professional Service and Refunds for the remainder of 2019. This also has a corresponding additional REDUCTION to show the close out of department 615. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Sheriff's Department requested approval of Marshall County Interlocal Agreement. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick 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 Weights & Measurers Report for September 16<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup> 2019.

#### **BOARD ITEMS:**

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the request from the Recorder's Office for Out of State Travel for Michelle Huddlestone to travel to Fidler Davenport, Iowa for Continuing Education.

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the request from the Park's Department for Out of State Travel for Michelle Nash to travel to Surprise, Arizona to take a Historical Item to the filming of a WWII Documentary.

#### **AUDIENCE ITEMS:**

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita Mock