

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

September 4, 2018

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 (2) Board members, Frank Lucchese and Suzie Weirick, were also present. Others present were Pauline Graff, County Auditor; Craig Buche, County Attorney and Anita Mock Executive Assistant. Tom Byers, County Administrator was absent due to Budget Hearings.

On a motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the August 20th & August 27th 2018 meetings and placed them on file.

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.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

County Commissioner, Mike Yoder, explained that this additional appropriation from Cumulative Capital Development Fund is for \$150,000. This account is used to buy capital items for various county departments and is currently projected to fund additional items for the Park Department. In addition, funds are needed for any office equipment that may fail prior to the end of year. 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 an additional appropriation from Redevelopment Commission Fund for \$1,975 for sustenance, education and conference, mileage, food and data processing software. 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 an additional appropriation from County Road 6 & County Road 17 NE TIF Fund for \$210,000 for fiber optic infrastructure from County Road 17 to Bristol and reimbursement to Highway for construction inspection for Love's Drive. 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, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from EDIT Fund for \$428,926 for funds to transfer to Rainy Day Fund. Corresponding appropriation project 180041. 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, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Cumulative Bridge Fund for \$5,000 for funds to meet payroll needs for remainder of 2018. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Economic Development Fee Fund for \$50,000 for funds to install fiber to Bristol. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from LOIT Special Distribution Fund for \$1,117,502 for funds for paving and road maintenance. Will be used for all costs associated with construction. This amount will be deducted from the EDIT portion of the LOIT distribution. This closes out the Special Distribution Fund. 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, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from LOIT Special Distribution Fund for \$428,926 for funds for paving and corresponding with EDIT transfer to the Rainy Day Fund. This closes out the Special Distribution Fund. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$20,000 for funds to meet project additional hours required for work load. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$240,000 for funds needed to meet payroll needs. 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, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation for the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$5,000 for funds provided by NIPSCO for damage to county roads from cross country power line installation. Funds to be used to repair damaged areas. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval of the Maintenance Bond in the amount of \$128,889 from Direct Line Communications for the County Road 20 and County Road 45 Fiber Optic Project. 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, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of contract with Air-marking for road striping in the sum of \$433,333.33. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval to bid Fiber to Bristol. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval to sell property along County Road 4, which is approximately 40 acres. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

Request approval of Blight Elimination Demolition Contracts. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request subject to review.

On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Weights & Measures report for July 16th to August 15th, 2018.

AUDIENCE ITEMS:

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

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock