

MINUTES

ELKHART COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

November 5, 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 Patty Pickens, Auditors Office; Tom Byers, County Administrator; Craig Buche, County Attorney 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 15th, October 22nd & October 29th 2018 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, Tom Byers, requested approval of additional appropriation from Cumulative Capital Development Fund for \$150,000. Said funds will be utilized for professional services, if needed, for the balance of calendar year 2018 and the first quarter of 2019. Professional services will be limited to assistance in the areas of finance, legal and Information Technology assessments. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development, Natasha Kaufman, requested approval of additional appropriation from County Road 6 and County Road 17 NE TIF Fund for \$100,000 for contract with Community Development specialist (Lacasa) to assist development in Prairie Creek Run. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development, Natasha Kaufman, requested approval of additional appropriation from Northwest Gateway TIF Fund for \$25,000 for labor and materials for landscaping Old US Highway 20 east of Ash Road. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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Planning & Development, Natasha Kaufman, requested approval of additional reduction from County Road 6 and County Road 17 NE TIF Fund for \$6,259.20 for project closeout for fiber to Oxbow School. 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 Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$7,000 to pay for employment searches and funds to meet payroll for the remainder of the year. 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 Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$150,000 for funds for contract snow plowing through the end of the year if needed. 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 Major Moves Fund for \$3,600,600 for funds needed to pay for the 700 MHz Radio System Upgrade from single site to a countywide 4 site simulcast system (which is integrated and interoperable with the statewide 800 MHz radio system.) 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 \$400,000 for funds to pay the December 2018 Major Moves Principal payment and the December 2018 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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County Highway Manager of Transportation, Jeff Taylor, requested approval of additional appropriation from EDIT Fund for \$348,500 for the following: 1. Funds for various engineering costs for County Road 38 reconstruction from County Road 13. 2. Funds from proceeds of auctioning land along County Road 4 to assist in paying for pickups and one ton dump trucks needing replaced. 3. Traffic counts contracted to MACOG. 4. Fees for the design of County Road 13, County Road 18 and County Road 115. 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 Local Road & Street Fund for \$105,000 for funds to replace tires on trucks, \$20,000 to purchase cutting bladed for snow plows & \$10,000 for equipment parts, replace suspensions and cylinders on trucks, and to replace brakes on trucks. 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 Major Moves Bridge Fund for \$750,000 for funds needed for the December 2018 Major Moves principal payment for Six Span and the December 2018 interest payment for Six Span. 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 reduction from Storm Water Fund for \$11,925.94 for funds no longer needed for the Foraker Sewer Study due to the consultant not being utilized for the intended project. 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 reduction from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund for \$30,387.97 for funds no longer needed for the Bridge 141 Construction due to the consultant not being utilized for the intended 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 Engineer, Kent Schumacher, requested approval to install Stop Sign on Vee Jay Street at County Road 18. On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

County Highway Concord High School Government Class students did a presentation of the Intersection Analysis of County Road 111 and County Road 20. The students were Logan Johnson and Antonio Gomez. Following the presentation were random questions regarding the presentation and the different findings.

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

On motion made by Frank Lucchese, seconded by Suzie Weirick and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Landfill 3rd Quarter Report.

Grant Procurement Specialist, Kris Krueger, requested approval of the 2019 Drug Free Partnership recommendations for Drug Free Community Funds. On motion made by Suzie Weirick, seconded by Frank Lucchese and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.

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AUDIENCE ITEMS:

James May spoke of his concerns why there is no school signs in the area of County Road 16 east of the Town of Middlebury.

Glenn Null spoke on several different concerns.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Anita Mock