The Executive session of the Board of Commissioners was held at 8:30 AM. Present were Commissioner Bundy, Commissioner McKinley, Commissioner Stewart, Attorney Allen and Deputy Auditor Brandenburg. Only pending litigation and personnel matters were discussed.

The regular session was called to order by President Bundy with all other members in attendance. Minutes of the previous session were read and approved. Claims totaling in the amount of $213,770.42 were reviewed and unanimously allowed.

Items on the agenda were as follows:

HOUSING REHAB GRANT

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the Semi Annual Report for the IHFA Housing Rehab Grant. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

JACKSON TWP FIRE TRUCK GRANT

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the following documents for the Jackson TWP Fire Truck Grant:
Stage 1 financial settlement
Grantee performance report
Semi annual report
Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

MONROE TWP FIRE TRUCK GRANT

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the following documents for the Monroe TWP Fire Truck Grant:
Stage 1 financial settlement
Grantee performance report
Semi annual report
Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

BLUE RIVER FIRE TRUCK GRANT

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the semi annual report for the Blue River Fire Truck Grant. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

TEN COMMANDMENTS

Duane Cleghorn appeared before the Board requesting that the Ten Commandments and other historical documents be placed in the County Courthouse. Mr. Cleghorn presented the framed documents to the Board. No action was taked on the matter.

PENNINGTON FARM

Bill Green appeared before the Board to answer questions concerning the Pennington Farm. The Board mentioned that they had received three complaints concerning septic systems. Mr. Green indicated that he would research and correct the problems.

CARL SMITH FARM

Bill Green requested that the Board grant him a waiver from the 14 step Plat Approval process for the Carl Smith Farm. The Commissioners asked Mr. Green to prepare an amended plat. The Board will make a decision concerning the waiver at the next regular meeting.

JIM GORBETT

Mr. Gorbett appeared before the Board to inquire about getting a septic permit for his property, which lies in a flood way. Attorney Allen informed Mr. Gorbett that he would have to contact the DNR and the State Board of Health in order to receive assistance.

COX FERRY ROAD

John Burlington appeared before the Board to inquire about the chip-and-seal schedule for Cox Ferry Road. Commissioner McKinley informed Mr Burlington that Cox Ferry Road would be chipped and sealed either the latter part of July or the first of August.

KIM NAPIER

Did not appear

ROBERT GABLE

Mr. Gable informed the Board that a sawmill was going to be built near his property. Mr. Gable asked if there was anything that he or the Board of Commissioners could do to prevent this operation from being built. President Bundy announced that the sawmill operation could originate as long as the owner abides by the State Codes. Attorney Allen reiterated to the public that Washington County does NOT have zoning.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Superintendent Orville Gilbert discussed the need for a speed limit sign on County Line Road near Henryville Forestry.

TAX DEED

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to execute a petition for tax deed on the Danny Houston Property. Commissioner Bundy seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

REPEATER SYSTEM

Perry Fleenor appeared before the Board to inquire about the status of the Repeater System. The Board did not hae a recent update.

WORK RELEASE CENTER

Ernie Gravitt appeared before the Board to inquire about the status of the work release center. President Bundy reported that the Department of Corrections will no longer sign a contract with Counties. Furthermore, Bundy announced that the County would have to do a bond issue to build a work release center.

BUILDING SPACE

Merwyn Fisher reported to the Commissioners that the East Washington Water Board had recently purchased the building in which they currently operate out of. Mr. Fisher mentioned that there is extra space available for rent in this building if the County would need additional space. The Water Board meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month if a representative from the County would like to attend.

Commissioner Joseph Bundy

Commissioner Dale McKinley

Commissioner Kevin Stewart

ATTEST: Lana Sullivan
Washington County Auditor
Lana Sullivan