The Executive Session of the Washington County Board of Commissioners was held at 12:30 p.m. Present were Commissioner Bundy, Commissioner McKinley, Commissioner Stewart, Attorney Allen and Auditor Sullivan. 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 with no corrections being made. Upon motion made by Commissioner McKinley as seconded by Commissioner Stewart the Board unanimously approved the minutes of December 20, 1999 meeting. No claims were presented due to it being the end of the year. Items on the agenda were as follows:

BLUE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to re-appoint Shannon Soliday to the Blue River Fire District. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

2000 HIGHWAY BIDS

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to accept all stone bids. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to accept all fuel bids. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to accept all bituminous bids. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to rollover the bid from Culverts Plus, Inc. for culverts. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to accept the bid from American Timber Bridge for wooden structures. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

OFFICE SPACE-ERNIE GRAVITT

Mr. Gravitt appeared before the Board inquiring about additional office space for the Probation Department. The Board announced that they had located more office space located behind the current Prosecutors Office. (Old Hoosier Uplands Office) The Board informed Mr. Gravitt that he could obtain surplus desks from the County. The Board asked that Mr. Gravitt coordinate the transition with Prosecutor Maudlin.

COX FERRY ROAD-JOHN BURLINGTON

Mr. Burlington addressed the Board concerning Cox Ferry Road. Mr. Burlington explained that he had visited the Commissioners Meeting in the past and had asked when the gravel part of Cox Ferry Road would be paved. Commissioner McKinley reported to Mr. Burlington that he and the Highway Superintendent would view the area. Commissioner McKinley also agreed to give Mr. Burlington a reply as to whether the road would be paved.

2000 CENSUS

Jack Stallings introduced himself to the Board as a recruiter for the Census 2000. Mr. Stallings announced that he is soliciting for jobs and explained the need for job exposure as the Census 2000 arrives. Mr. Stallings offered a toll free phone number for anyone interested in working for the Census Bureau. The # is 1-888-325-7733.

BYPASS

Attorney Allen announced that the Southern/Eastern portion of the Washington County Bypass was going to become a reality, due to the efforts of the Commissioners and other County Officials. Attorney Allen mentioned that he and the City of Salem's Attorney, Drew Wright, is currently working on an interlocal agreement. Attorney Allen also mentioned that no direct tax dollars will be used for this project. Commissioner Bundy made a motion to pass a resolution in support of the Bypass Project. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

EDIT PLAN AMENDMENTS

The Board unanimously approved the following additions to the Edit Plan:

FIRST DISTRICT-Wetzel Rd. from State Road 335 to Bethleham Rd. (.9 mile)

SECOND DISTRICT-Christmas Tree Rd. from Walnut Ridge Rd. to Starr Rd. (2.2 mile)

THIRD DISTRICT-Hardinsburg Dump Rd. from Kays Chapel to Hardinsburg Town Limit (2.7 mile)

SEALED BIDS ON FURNITURE

Auditor Sullivan asked the Board to consider allowing her to sell surplus desks by way of sealed bids. Sullivan explained that there was not enough furniture to have an auction but the few desks available were taking up needed space. Commissioner Stewart made a motion to pass a resolution allowing Auditor Sullivan to sell the surplus desks by was of sealed bids. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

HIGHWAY TRUCKS

Attorney Allen presented 3 different interest rates from various banks for financing 3 tandem trucks, beds and plows at the County Highway Department. After reviewing the information Commissioner McKinley made a motion to accept the terms from Mid-Southern Bank. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The terms of the lease will include a 5 year agreement with an interest rate of 5.23%. Attorney Allen agreed to draw up the leases.

JETTA BURTON

Ms. Burton asked the Board several questions pertaining to her Awareness Class Assignment.

With there being no further business as hand, the meeting was adjourned.

Commissioner: Joseph L. Bundy

COMMISSIONERS MEETING - JANUARY 17, 2000

The Executive Session of the Board of Commissioners was held at 3:30 p.m. Present were Commissioner Bundy, Commissioner McKinley, Commissioner Stewart, Attorney Allen and Auditor Sullivan. 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 $376,363.65 were reviewed and unanimously allowed.

Items on the Agenda were as follows:

NORTH WASHINGTON VOL. FIRE DEPT. FIRE TRUCK

After reviewing certain bidding requirements, Attorney Allen opened and read aloud a bid from Sternberg "911" E-One. The bid was for an emergency one top mount pumper with a GMC 2-dr 300hp chassis & equipment, totaling $125,441.00.

Jill Blank mentioned that the state may require a cost price analysis because only one bid was submitted.

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to refer the bid to River Hills EDD & RPC and the NW Volunteer Fire Dept. for an examination of specifications. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The bid will be awarded at the next at the next regular meeting.

IRVIN STAHL FARM - (FORMER STEPHENSON/CRANE FARM)

Attorney Bill Green appeared before the Board to ask for a waiver from the plat approval process for the Irvin Stahl Farm. Green explained that the 451 acre farm was located in Madison Township and was to split into 4 tracts. After discussing buildings, usage, etc., Commissioner McKinley made a motion to waive the requirements of the Subdivision Control Ordinance for the Irvin Stahl Farm. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

FLEENORTOWN COMMITTEE

Canceled.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BYPASS

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City and the County. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The agreement states that the county will expend approximately $612,000 for the eastern portion of the bypass.

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve an agreement between the City/County and INDOT for the eastern portion of the bypass. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

APPOINTMENTS

The Board discussed attendance and notification problems with certain appointments. Commissioner Bundy made a motion to list all available appointments and post this list in the courthouse. Also, have Auditor Sullivan to notify the Board when appointees terms are ~~about to~~ expire and send the appointee a letter and ask if he/she would be interested in serving again, and notify appointee's that they may be replaced on any board if he/she has 3 unexcused absences. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board asked Auditor Sullivan to address a letter to all Board Presidents asking that they notify the Auditor's office of the attendance at their regular meetings.

FAIRBOARD BUILDING AND GROUNDS PERSON

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to appoint Orville Gilbert as the Fairboard Building and Grounds person. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

HOOSIER HILLS P.A.C.T. COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to amend the 12-28-99 minutes by deleting the Hoosier Hills P.A.C.T. appointment, Regina Ruddell. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to appoint John Kuss and Connie Benson to the Hoosier Hills P.A.C.T. board. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

INDUSTRIAL PARK

River Hills representative, Marsha Conner, presented an application for federal assistance. The federal request is being made for the provision of infrastructure to the Washington County Industrial Park to facilitate job creation and private investment. The application indicates $783,395 of federal dollars and $335,742 of local match money would be used for this project. Ms. Conner explained that this is a joint venture between the County and the Economic Growth Partnership.

Commissioner Bundy made a motion to approve the execution of the application for federal assistance for the infrastructure at the Industrial Park. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

With there being no further business at hand. The meeting was adjourned.

Commissioner: Joseph L. Bundy

Commissioner: Dale McKinley

Commissioner: Kevin W. Stewart

ATTEST: Lana Sullivan
Lana Sullivan, Auditor