The Executive Session of the 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 and approved. Claims totaling in the amount of $400,122.38 were reviewed. Claims totaling in the amount of $399,988.38 were unanimously allowed. Auditor Sullivan notified the Board that the invoice she had received from Manatron was $134.00 outside the contract in which the Board had signed. Therefore, Sullivan asked that Claim #127 to Manatron be approved in the amount of $88,628.00 opposed to $88,762.00.

Items on the agenda were as follows:

ARTERIAL PROJECT

Jim Rice of Sieco presented an update on the Arterial Project and discussed the projected time frame schedule. Rice explained that there were two (2) revisions to the Memorandum of Agreement with the State. Rice had prepared a letter which addressed the two (2) revisions and asked that the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement with INDOT subject to the modifications. The modifications included inserting the word "approximately" in front of the Clause "A Fiscal Year 2003 letting" of Section 2 and revising Exhibit B which is the design information page.

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to execute the revised Memorandum of Agreement with INDOT. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

In other discussion, Commissioner McKinley made a motion to approve the agreement with Sieco and the new project schedule. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

MONROE TOWNSHIP FIRE TRUCK

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to award the fire truck bid for the North Washington Volunteer Fire Department to E-One. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to approve the following documents for Grant CF-96-252: Certification of Accessibility, Agreement for Professional Services and the Sub-Recipient Agreement between Washington County and the North Washington Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Also, the Board gave President Bundy authorization to execute grant documents outside of a regular meeting.

STOCKYARD

Attorney Jack Vissing spoke to the Board on behalf of the Fleenortown residents. Mr. Vissing asked that the Board consider enacting an ordinance which would prevent health hazards while implementing a stockyard facility in Washington County. Mr. Vissing filed the ordinance, along with a petition of residents who were requesting that the Commissioners pass the health ordinance, maps of the proposed area, photographs of other stockyards, and a letter from IDEM. The Board agreed to review the more specific matters of each document. David Hoar spoke on behalf of the livestock producers and was asked to study the proposed ordinance. Mr. Hoar agreed to report back to the Board.

HOOSIER HILLS P.A.C.T.

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to approve the yearly report for the Community Corrections Program. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

JAMES GARDNER

Mr. Gardner appeared before the Board to request a waiver from the plat approval process. Mr. Gardner explained that he had given one lot to a family member, sold one lot to another individual and now he would like to sell another lot. President Bundy explained that his situation does not currently fall under the requirements of the plat approval process.

REPEATER SYSTEM

Sheriff Claude Combs and Scott Marr from Radio Communications Systems appeared before the Board to discuss purchasing a repeater system for Washington County. Mr. Marr explained that the site at the Sheriff's Department would cost $17,192.00. Sheriff Combs mentioned that he feels the County needs three (3) additional sites. Mr. Marr said that each individual station would cost $22,589.00 and does not include the concrete pad, 50 foot tv antenna and the small building. The Board indicated that they would like to proceed with the repeater project rather than forming a board. Mr. Marr said that Radio Communications Systems guaranteed their system to work.

After no further discussion, the Board agreed to approve the contract with Radion Communications Systems subject to funding levels from the County Council. The Board asked Auditor Sullivan to notify the County Council of the Boards funding request.

R C & D

Frank Gottbrath appeared to ask the Board for their support in having Washington County join the Resource Conservation & Development Program (RC & D). The Board felt as if this was a worthwhile program. Commissioner Bundy made a motion to support the program. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY

Commissioner Bundy made a motion to approve the policy on drugs and alcohol in the work force. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Madge Lyles presented the Disaster 1125 Report to the Board. The report lists the amount of Federal and State reimbursement that all governmental units are eligible to declare.

JACKSON TWP. FIRE TRUCK-CF-95-249

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the Grant Performance Report for the Jackson Twp. Fire Truck Grant. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

BLUE RIVER FIRE DISTRICT FIRE TRUCK-CF-95-226

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the Semi-Annual Report for the Blue River Fire District Grant. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

HIGHWAY

Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the Annual County Highway Report. Commissioner McKinley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

DELANEY CREEK WATERSHED CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

The Board asked Auditor Sullivan to invite the Delaney Creek Watershed Board Members to the March 6, 2000 Commissioners Meeting. The Commissioners indicated that they would like to discuss financial and ditching matters.

SRI, INC.

Auditor Sullivan presented a new tax sale support addendum with the new rate for 2000. Sullivan explained that SRI had increased their fee to $50.00 with the current fee being $40.00. Sullivan reminded the Board that there had not been an increase in three (3) years and this particular fee is paid by the delinquent taxpayer. Commissioner Stewart suggested that all local attorney's be given the opportunity to submit a quote for providing the same tax sale services which SRI currently provides to Washington County. The Board tabled the matter until the next regular meeting.

ELK CREEK CONSERVANCY DISTRICT APPOINTMENT

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to re-appoint Sam E. Deaton to the Board of Directors with the term expiring January 2, 2004. Commissioner Stewart 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
Auditor: Lana Sullivan