ATTORNEYS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE HARDINSBURG PAC HAVE PROVIDED A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO SETTLE THE LAWSUIT OVER THE TOWN OF HARDINSBURG. BOTH PARTIES HAVE ACCEPTED THE AGREEMENT AS WRITTEN WHICH WOULD REPEAL ORDINANCES 2022-8, 2022-10, 2022-11. THE COUNTY WILL GIVE ALL PROPERTY AND FUNDS BACK. THE ORDINANCES WILL BE NULL AND VOID AND THE TOWN WILL GO BACK TO THE WAY IT WAS. THEY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SETTING UP A BOARD UNTIL THE NEXT ELECTION WHERE INDIVDUALS WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE ON THE BALLOT. ATTORNEY GELTMAKER PROVIDED THE ORDINANCE RESCINDING THE ORDINANCE LISTED ABOVE. THIS WILL SERVE AS THE FIRST READING AND THE COMMISSIONERS WILL MOVE ON RESCINDING THE ORDINANCES AT THE JUNE 17, 2025 MEETING. CARDWELL MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARSHALL. MOTION PASSED 2-1 WITH COMMISSIONER EWEN OPPOSING.

BOARD COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

- THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING ON JUNE 10, 2025 AT 9:00 A.M. TO DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY CROSSING PAVING BID AWARD.

WITH THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS AT HAND COMMISSIONER EWEN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY CARDWELL. MOTION PASSED.

COMMISSIONER PHILLIP MARSHALL

Todd M Ewen

COMMISSIONER TODD EWEN

COMMISSIONER TONY CARDWELL

ATTEST: Kyra Stephenson

AUDITOR, KYRA STEPHENSON

COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 10, 2025
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE
99 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 200
SALEM, INDIANA 47167

THE COMMISSIONERS HELD A SPECIAL MEETING TO DISCUSS THE COMMUNITY CROSSINGS PAVING BID AWARD FROM THE MAY 6, 2025 COMMISSIONER MEETING. THOSE IN ATTENDANCE WERE COMMISSIONER PHILLIP MARSHALL, COMMISSIONER TODD EWEN, COMMISSIONER TONY CARDWELL, ATTORNEY APRIL GELTMAKER, AND AUDITOR KYRA STEPHENSON.

COMMISSIONER MARSHALL CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

A PLEDGE TO THE FLAG WAS LED BY CARDWELL, FOLLOWED BY A PRAYER BY COMMISSIONER EWEN.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- KEN TEMPLE FILLED OUT THE PUBLIC COMMENT FORM WITH THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE. COMMISSIONER MARSHALL ASKED IF HE WANTED TO SPEAK AND HE DECLINED.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- **COMMUNITY CROSSINGS PAVING BID**

COMMISSIONER MARSHALL ASKED FOR A MOTION TO RESCIND THE COMMUNITY CROSSING BID AWARD FROM THE MAY 6, 2025 MEETING. THE BIDS WERE: TEMPLE AND TEMPLE - $1,977,853.00 AND C & R PAVING - $1,899,757.00. CARDWELL MADE A MOTION TO RESCIND THE BIDS. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARSHALL. MOTION PASSED WITH COMMISSIONER EWEN OPPOSING.

COMMISSIONER MARSHALL ASKED FOR A MOTION TO AWARD THE BID TO C & R PAVING. CARDWELL MADE A MOTION TO AWARD THE BID TO C & R PAVING. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARSHALL. MOTION PASSED WITH COMMISSIONER EWEN OPPOSING.

COMMISSIONER EWEN STATED HE HAS NO PROBLEMS WITH C & R PAVING BUT HE FEELS THAT THIS IS COMMUNITY MONEY AND WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THE MONEY IN THE COMMUNITY. HE HAS CONCERNS WITH THE HAULING OF THE ASPHALT FROM CORYDON. WANTS THE BIDS TO BE FAIR AND FEELS LIKE THE STATE SYSTEM IS FLAWED. HE FEELS VOTING FOR C & R PAVING ABANDONS THE COUNTY AND COMMUNITY.

COMMISSIONER MARSHALL STATED NO HIGH BID HAS EVER BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE STATE WHICH IS WHY HE FELT LIKE THEY HAD TO RESCIND THE BID AND GIVE IT TO THE LOWER BIDDER. HE DIDN'T WANT TO TAKE THE RISK OF LOSING COMMUNITY CROSSINGS.

SUPERINTENDENT RICK VOYLES STATED HE IS APPRECIATIVE OF THE STATE FOR THIS GRANT MONEY AND DOES NOT WANT TO GET A BLACK EYE IN THE EYES OF THE STATE. HE HAS A GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE AND WANTS THE COUNTY TO ABIDE BY THE STATE LAW. HE PROVIDED THE CONTRACTS FOR THE GRANT FOR THE COMMISSIONERS' SIGNATURES.

WITH THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS AT HAND COMMISSIONER EWEN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY CARDWELL. MOTION PASSED.

COMMISSIONER PHILLIP MARSHALL

COMMISSIONER TODD EWEN

COMMISSIONER TONY CARDWELL

ATTEST:
AUDITOR KYRA STEPHENSON