COMMISSIONER MEETING
JULY 1, 2025
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE
99 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 200
SALEM, INDIANA 47167

THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD AT 8:00 A.M. PRESENT WERE COMMISSIONER PHILLIP MARSHALL, COMMISSIONER TODD EWEN, COMMISSIONER TONY CARDWELL, ATTORNEY APRIL GELTMAKER, AND AUDITOR KYRA STEPHENSON. THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFY THAT THE ONLY ITEMS DISCUSSED WERE I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B) INITIATION OF LITIGATION OR LITIGATION THAT IS EITHER PENDING OR HAS BEEN THREATENED SPECIIFICALLY IN WRITING.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMISSIONER MARSHALL.

CARDWELL LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. DENISE COOTS GAVE THE PRAYER.

COMMISSIONER EWEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY CARDWELL. MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- **LUCY BRENTON – COUNTY BUSINESS**
  MS BRENTON CAME AGAIN TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THE PLAN COMMISSION AND THE COUNTY.

- **PAM LOCKHART – HARDINSBURG**
  MS LOCKHARD EXPRESSED HER THANKS TO THE COMMISSIONERS FOR WHAT THEY DONE FOR THE TOWN HARDINSBURG. SHE IS CONCERNED THE TOWN WILL NOT BE RUN PROPERLY WITH THE NEW BOARD. SHE RUNS THE SENIOR CENTER IN HARDINSBURG AND HAS ALREADY BEEN TOLD BY SOME BOARD MEMBERS THEY WILL USE THAT FACILITY WHENEVER THEY CHOOSE TOO. SHE DOESN'T WANT TO SEE THE TOWN NOT BE MAINTAINED.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 17, 2025**
  COMMISSIONER EWEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 17, 2025 COMMISSIONER MEETING. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY CARDWELL. MOTION PASSED.

- **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND PAYROLL**
  CARDWELL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLAIMS AND PAYROLL. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER EWEN. MOTION PASSED.

  COMMISSIONER MARSHALL MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ABOVE MENTIONED INDIVIDUALS FOR THE SELECTION COMMITTEE. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY CARDWELL. MOTION PASSED.

REPORTS

- **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PROJECT UPDATE**
  THE MASONRY WORK HAS STARTED AND WILL CONTINUE ON THE OFFICE BUILDING WEATHER PERMITTING. WORKING ON GETTING SOME PLUMBING ADJUSTMENTS MADE ON THE MECHANICS GARAGE. THE MIXED SALT BUIDLING WALLS ARE UP AND WILL BE POURING THE SLAB WHICH WILL BE 80 X 100. GRABERS WILL BE GETTING STARTED ON THE SALT BUILDING. THE FOOTINGS AND WALLS ARE ALMOST DONE FOR THE AGGREGATE BINS. THE WALLS WILL BE 12". THE SEPTIC FIELD WILL BE INSTALLED IN JULY AND THE STORM SEWER WILL BE ESTABLISHED AND RAN. TEMPLES WAS TO MEET WITH GRABERS TO REVIEW AND GO OVER DETAILS FOR THE REMAINING BUILIDNGS.

- **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**
  SUPERINTENDENT VOYLES WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE.

- **KNAPP MILLER BROWN**
  ZACK RICHARDS HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE COUNTIES HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER, ANTHEM. THEY ARE INTERESTED IN KEEPING THE COUNTY BUT STATED THE CLAIMS HAVE BEEN HIGH. THEY DO ANTICIPATE AN INCREASE ON HEALTH CARE COVERAGE. HE WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE A PHONE CONFERENCE WITH THEM TODAY

TO GO OVER SOME DETAILS. ZACK ASKED TO BE PUT ON THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT ~~COMMISSIONER MEETING, JULY 15, 2025.~~

- **ATTORNEY APRIL GELTMAKER**
  ATTORNEY GELTMAKER GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE LIVESTREAMING STATING THAT THE COMMISSIONERS ARE COMPLIANT WITH THE NEW LAW. THE STATUTE APPLIES TO COUNCIL, COMMISSIONERS, SCHOOL BOARDS, AND TOWN BOARDS. IF ANYONE NEEDS MORE INFORMATION ON THIS NEW STATUTE, THEY CAN CONTACT THE STATE PUBLIC ACCESS COUNSELOR.

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