

**COMMISSIONERS MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 10, 1997**

THE COMMISSIONERS MET IN THE COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 301 S. BRANSON ST., MARION, INDIANA 46953 ON FEBRUARY 10, 1997 AT 8:30 AM.

IN ATTENDANCE WERE COMMISSIONERS RICHARD PUCKETT AND WALTER WOOD, COUNTY ATTORNEY GENE JOHNSON, COUNTY AUDITOR JUDY CARMICHAEL, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT JOHN WEBSTER, AREA PLAN DIRECTOR CLAY GILLEY, RICHARD TREON OF THE FAIRMOUNT TOWN BOARD AND CARYN SHINSKE OF THE CHRONICLE TRIBUNE.

RICHARD PUCKETT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 8:30 AM.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND TO APPROVE THE CURRENT CLAIMS AND CURRENT PAYROLL. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO RE-APPOINT JOE SEWARD TO THE GRANT COUNTY HEALTH BOARD WITH A TERM BEGINNING 1-1-1997 TO END 12-31-2001. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES REPORT FOR THE PERIOD OF 12-15-96 TO 1-15-97. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE WALNUT CREEK MANOR REPORTS FOR DECEMBER 1996 AND FOR JANUARY 1997. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER DAVID GLICKFIELD ENTERED THE MEETING AT 8:37 AM.

RICHARD TREON, FROM THE FAIRMOUNT TOWN COUNCIL, SPOKE REQUESTING FUNDS FROM THE 911 MONEY TO ASSIST WITH THE PURCHASE OF \$15,465.25 WORTH OF EQUIPMENT. THE EQUIPMENT, WHICH IS ON ORDER, INCLUDES A NEW ANTENNA, 2-100 WATT BASE RADIOS, POWER SUPPLIES, MICROPHONES, PAGER ENCODER, INSTALLATION, PAINTING OF TOWER, TELEPHONE SYSTEM, AND THE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT. THEY HAVE \$10,000 AVAILABLE FOR THIS PURCHASE. WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THIS REQUEST UNTIL THE FEBRUARY 24, 1997 MEETING. DAVID GLICKFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

JOHN WEBSTER, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT, PRESENTED THE 1996 YEAR END REPORT, FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, FOR THE COMMISSIONERS SIGNATURES. THE REPORT SHOWS A BALANCE OF \$908.00, WITH ENCUMBERED FUNDS OF \$544,160. WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT. DAVID GLICKFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED THREE AYES.

AREA PLAN DIRECTOR CLAY GILLEY SPOKE ON PROCEDURES OF CLEANING UP UNSAFE PREMISES. HE STATED HE HAD FROM 10 TO 20 PROPERTIES IN THE COUNTY THAT NEEDS TO BE CLEANED UP. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT HAS THE EQUIPMENT TO ASSIST WITH DEMOLITION OF SOME BUILDINGS. HE STATED THAT INMATES COULD POSSIBLY BE USED FOR CLEANUP, IF THE SHERIFF WOULD MAKE THE DECISION TO USE THEM ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, BUT THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID. DAVID GLICKFIELD SUGGESTED THAT PICTURES BE TAKEN OF ANY PROJECTS OF THIS KIND. GENE JOHNSON COUNTY ATTORNEY STATED THAT THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT IS FUNDED BY GASOLINE TAX AND SHOULD NOT BE USED IN THIS WAY. IT WAS DECIDED TO LOOK INTO THE PROPERTIES TO SEE IF THEY HAD TAXES DUE ON THEM, AND TO CONSIDER ASKING FOR AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION TO

FUND SOME OF THESE PROJECTS. WALTER WOOD ASKED MR. GILLEY TO MAKE THE COMMISSIONERS A LIST OF THE PROPERTIES, AND TO PRIORITIZE THEM.

THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 9:02 AM.