COMMISSIONERS MINUTES 2-2-98

THE COMMISSIONERS MET IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 301 S. BRANSON STREET, MARION, INDIANA 46952 AT 9:00 A.M. ON FEBRUARY 2, 1998.

IN ATTENDANCE WERE COMMISSIONERS DICK PUCKETT AND WALTER WOOD, AUDITOR JUDY CARMICHAEL, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT JOHN WEBSTER, COUNCILMAN PAUL BAKER, RICHARD ROSS OF AREA 6, RANDY McPIKE OF WBAT AND KATHY KIGHTLINGER OF THE CHRONICLE.

DICK PUCKETT CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:05 A.M.

WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 1998 MEETING AND TO APPROVE THE CURRENT CLAIMS AND THE CURRENT PAYROLL. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

JOHN WEBSTER, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT, THANKED THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CHANGE IN VEHICLE INSURANCE STATING THAT IT SAVED THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT APPROXIMATELY \$11,000. HE REPORTED THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN CUTTING TREES, PATCHING, LAYING BERMSTONE, AND CUTTING BRUSH.

WALTER WOOD PRESENTED THE MAINTENANCE REPORT FOR THE LAST WEEK AND STATED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS HAD RECEIVED COMPLIMENTARY LETTERS FROM THREE OF THE JUDGES ON THE CLEANLINESS OF THE COURT HOUSE SINCE THEY PLACED A DAY-TIME JANITOR ON DUTY. WALTER WOOD MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MAINTENANCE REPORT. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

DAVID GLICKFIELD ENTERED THE MEETING.

WALT WOOD MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT JAY HOSTETTLER AND CHUCK OSTERHOLT TO THE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD. THE MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

DAVID GLICKFIELD MADE A MOTION TO ALLOW SUPERIOR COURT III TO PURCHASE A TABLE FOR THEIR COPY MACHINE FROM CCD FUNDS AT A COST OF \$279.30. DICK PUCKETT SECONDED THE MOTION. WALTER WOOD DID NOT VOTE.

RICHARD ROSS, SPEAKING FOR AREA 6, REPORTED THAT THE JANUARY 31, 1998 DEADLINE HAD BEEN MET, THAT 10 HOMES WERE COMPLETED, 19 HOMES CONTRACTED AND THAT ALL WORK HAD TO BE COMPLETED BY APRIL 30, 1998. HE THANKED MR. WOOD FOR GETTING THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION GROUP TO SEND THE NECESSARY LETTERS FOR THIS PROJECT.

INFORMATION HE GAVE ON THE PROJECT INCLUDED THE AVERAGE FAMILY

HELPED CONSISTED OF 3 MEMBERS, HAD AN INCOME OF \$10,000 A YEAR, AND 6 OF THE FAMILIES HAD A HANDICAPPED MEMBER. HE STATED ONE FAMILY OF SIX, WITH ONE SMALL CHILD, HAD NO WATER, ONE FAMILY HAD A BATHROOM FLOOR WITH HOLES IN IT, AND BUCKETS SETTING AROUND IN THE HOUSE TO CATCH WATER DUE TO ROOF LEAKING,

ONE HOME'S ELECTRICAL SYSTEM WAS SO POOR THAT WHEN THE SWEEPER

WAS TURNED ON, THE LIGHTS WENT DIM, AND THAT ONE 79 YEAR OLD RESIDENT CONFINED IN A WHEELCHAIR HAD NO WHEEL CHAIR RAMPS TO THE HOME. ALL OF THESE PROBLEMS WILL BE CORRECTED BY THE WORK FROM THIS GRANT.

TOM PERRY, COMPLEX PROJECT MANAGER, REPORTED THAT WORK WAS ON SCHEDULE, AND THAT THIS WEEK WORKERS WOULD BE DRYWALLING AND PAINTING.

BILL PEARSON, REPRESENTING AREA PLAN, ENTERED THE MEETING AT THIS TIME.

PAUL BAKER ASKED WHY THE INTEREST ON THE GENERAL DRAIN IMPROVEMENT FUND AND THE DRAIN MAINTENANCE FUND WASN'T BEING SPLIT INTO THE SEPARATE DRAINAGE FUNDS. HE ALSO ASKED ABOUT THE REASSESSMENT LEVY.

THE MEETING WAS RECESSED AT 9:22 A.M.