V I R G I N I A:

At a recessed meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, January 8, 1991, at 7:00 p.m., at the County Administration Building in Abingdon, Virginia, the following were present:

PRESENT:

James P. Litton, Chairman
Maurice H. Parris, Vice Chairman
Kenneth G. Mathews
Aubrey E. Brown
Charles O. Byrd
Thomas Whittaker
Cecil K. Simcox

Bruce E. Bentley, County Administrator
Cliff Walsh, County Attorney

ABSENT:

Mark W. Seamon, Director of Accounting
Sandra M. Hatfield, Secretary

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr. James P. Litton, Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Litton turned the meeting over to the Planning Commission.

Mr. William Canter, Chairman, called the meeting of the Washington County Planning Commission to order.

The following were in attendance from the Washington County Planning Commission:

PRESENT:

Bill Canter, Chairman
W. D. Young, Jr., Vice Chairman
Phillip McCall
Mickey Tyler
Michael Kleinot
William Kyle Harley

Cathie Freeman, Acting County Planner
Dawn Trogdon, Recorder
William Cole, Building Official
Kenneth H. Stargardt, Director of Economic Development

ABSENT:

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Mr. Litton stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss present County zoning.

At this time Bruce Bentley the County Administrator addressed the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission in regards to the present zoning problems that he and the zoning staff have been experiencing.

Bruce Bentley then turned the meeting over to Cathie Freeman, Acting County Planner.

Cathie Freeman noted there were problems with the 250 ft. setbacks in the County. It was recommend by Mount Rogers Planning Commission District that zoning follow property lines if at all possible. Cathie asked Bill Cole to comment on some of the problems that he was experiencing.

Bill Cole noted that by enforcing the 250 foot setback requirement, the land owner would be forced to build at least 250 feet of water line as well as construct a paved driveway. If the County will allow mobile homes in the A-2 zone with the required setback, there will be visibility of the home from the road anyway.

Mr. Cole suggested that the commission and Supervisors consider amending the ordinance to allow mobile homes to be placed the same as in the A-1 or CR zones.

Mr. Harley stated that he resented the 250 feet setbacks. He stated that it was very hard for young people and people with fixed incomes to come up with 250 feet of property and then money for the water lines, etc.

Ms. Freeman asked for comments on some of the problem areas known by the Supervisors.

Mr. Parris stated that on Route 722 and the Watagua area were the main problems he knew about.

Mr. Mathews stated that he did not think there were any areas that could be called problems. He stated, "If it works, don't fix it."

Mr. Parris stated that on 722 you have a 250 feet setback that is zoned one zone and you go down the road and you have 250 feet setback that is a different zone altogether.

After a lengthy discussion on the areas, the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission decided to take the old maps and the present maps and look over their areas and meet again to discuss the possible changes.

Mr. Bentley stated that he was concerned about the preservation and maintenance of industrial properties located in Washington County.

Mr. Bentley asked for the Commission and the Board of Supervisors to consider what direction Washington County wanted to take for Economic Development.

Mr. Bentley presented statistical data on the Mobile Homes, one family dwellings and the average income in Washington County being $13,334.00

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2. Adjournment

On motion of Parris, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to recess the meeting to Thursday, January 10, 1991 in order to meet with the Washington County Service Authority.

The vote on this motion was as follows (7-0):

Mr. Mathews	Aye	Mr. Litton	Aye	Mr. Brown	Aye
Mr. Byrd	Aye	Mr. Parris	Aye	Mr. Whittaker	Aye
Mr. Simcox	Aye				

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James P. Litton, Chairman