V I R G I N I A:

At a meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Tuesday, October 28, 1997, at 7:00 p.m., at the County Administration Building in Abingdon, Virginia, the following were present:

PRESENT:

James T. Osborne, Chairman
Bobby D. Ingle, Vice Chairman
Kenneth G. Mathews
Joe W. Derting
Maurice H. Parris
Jackson Barker
Dulcie M. Mumpower

Mark K. Reeter, County Administrator
John A. Martin, County Attorney
Mark W. Seamon, Accounting/Purchasing Manager
Sandra M. Hatfield, CPS, Administrative Assistant

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1 **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. James T. Osborne, Chairman of the Board, who welcomed everyone in attendance.

2 **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance - Kenneth G. Mathews**

Mr. Ken Mathews gave the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3 **Approval of the Agenda**

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Ingle, it was resolved to approve the Agenda with the following additions:

Add:

12.c Request for Supplemental Appropriation to Repair Animal Control Vehicle
12.d Request for Purchase of Solid Waste Vehicle

Change:

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Mr. Mannix requested the Chairman place him on the Agenda to discuss the Sheriff-s Office. The Chairman polled the Supervisors. There being no consensus to do so, the Supervisors proceeded with taking action on the motion to approve the Agenda and presented additions.

The vote on the motion to approve the Agenda was as follows: (7-0)

Mr. Derting	*Aye*	*Mr. Ingle*	*Aye*	*Mr. Mathews*	*Aye*
Mr. Osborne	*Aye*	*Mrs. Mumpower*	*Aye*	*Mr. Parris*	*Aye*
Mr. Barker	*Aye*				

4 **Approval of Minutes of October 24, 1997**

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of October 24, 1997 with the following corrections:

Page 8617, Agenda Item 4, Approval of the Minutes of September 23, 1997:

Change vote on motion to approve the Minutes of September 23, 1997 to read as follows:

AThe vote on this motion was as follows: (6-0-1)

Mr. Derting	*Aye*	*Mr. Ingle*	*Aye*	*Mr. Mathews*	*Aye*
Mr. Osborne	*Aye*	*Mrs. Mumpower*	*Aye*	*Mr. Parris*	*Abstain*
Mr. Barker	*Aye@*				

Page 8626, Agenda Item 21, Consent Agenda:

Correct spelling of Sally Heltzel

The vote on the motion to approve the minutes of October 14, 1997 was as follows: (7-0)

Mr. Derting	*Aye*	*Mr. Ingle*	*Aye*	*Mr. Mathews*	*Aye*
Mr. Osborne	*Aye*	*Mrs. Mumpower*	*Aye*	*Mr. Parris*	*Aye*
Mr. Barker	*Aye*				

5 **Presentation of Plaque to Susan Jessee in Memory of Bobby G. Jessee**

Mrs. Jessee requested the plaque presentation occur later in the meeting schedule.

6 **1996-97 Annual Report for Washington County Office on Youth (Ernie Braganza) Tabled from October 14, 1997**

Mr. Ernie Braganza appeared before the Supervisors to present the 1996-97 Annual Report for Washington County Office on Youth. Mr. Braganza summarized the Program goals and objectives, and commented on FY 1998 program plans.

5 **Presentation of Plaque to Susan Jessee in Memory of Bobby G. Jessee**

Members of the Board of Supervisors called Susan and Madge Jessee forward to present a plaque to Mrs. Susan Jessee in memory of Bobby D. Jessee for his dedicated and loyal service to the citizens of Washington County as Chief Animal Warden for the years 1983 to 1997.

7 **Consideration of Request to Purchase Motor Vehicles for Sheriff=s Office (Kenneth Hayter, Sheriff) Tabled from October 14, 1997**

Sheriff Kenneth Hayter was present to respond to questions from the Board concerning the Department=s request to purchase motor vehicles and the type of vehicles being requested for service.

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Barker, it was resolved to approve request to purchase four motor vehicles for the Washington County Sheriff=s Office.

The vote on this motion was as follows: (6-1)

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***	***Mr. Mathews***	***Nay***
Mr. Osborne	***Aye***	***Mrs. Mumpower***	***Aye***	***Mr. Parris***	***Aye***
Mr. Barker	***Aye***				

During discussion, Sheriff Hayter was asked about the number of vehicles that will be turned in. Sheriff Hayter responded three vehicles and one truck.

Mr. Mathews explained he is not able to support the Sheriff=s request for the reason that all the vehicles will not be used for patrol as was the expressed need conveyed during the spring budget hearings.

8 **Quarterly Budget Status Report**

Mr. Mark Seamon, Accounting/Purchasing Manager, presented a detailed budget showing the status of the County Budget for the quarter ending September 30, 1997.

It was noted that only a few budget line-items had been overspent at the end of the first quarter of the fiscal year. None were considered to be an immediate cause for concern. Mr. Reeter noted that line-items containing funds for the payment of compensatory time for employees in certain administrative departments may be overrun by the end of the second or third quarter due to compensation rendered for such time in July of the current fiscal year which was accrued between January and June of the previous fiscal year.

9 **Request for Reimbursement for Annual Financial Report, Damascus Senior Center**

Mr. Reeter presented a letter from the Senior Citizens, Inc. of Damascus requesting the County to reimburse half the cost of having a required independent audit performed on their financial records.

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mrs. Mumpower, it was resolved to authorize an appropriation to Senior Citizens, Inc. of Damascus in the amount of $292.50 from reserves for contingency for half their cost to obtain an independent final audit of their financial records for the period ending June 30, 1997.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***	***Mr. Mathews***	***Aye***
Mr. Osborne	***Aye***	***Mrs. Mumpower***	***Aye***	***Mr. Parris***	***Aye***
Mr. Barker	***Aye***				

10 **Recess** The Board of Supervisors did not recess during their meeting.

11 **Citizen Comments**

At this time, Mr. Osborne asked Mr. Ingle to read the rules for citizen comments, and invited comments from citizens on items that do not appear on the Agenda.

Patrick Mannix addressed the Supervisors concerning the Sheriff=s Office vehicles, inmates claims, and freedom of information request.

George Hubbard addressed the Supervisors expressing his appreciation for the quality educational staff in the Washington County school system. He encouraged the Supervisors to recognize three Washington County School Board employees who have played a successful role in the education of his special needs daughter.

Discussion among Supervisors resulted in Mr. Reeter being asked to consult with Division Superintendent George Stainback on the appropriate type of recognition for the school board employees Mr. Hubbard is requesting the Supervisors recognize and honor.

12 **County Administrator Comments**

The following action was taken on County Administrator comments:

a. **Annual Legislative Dinner Meeting Reminder, Wednesday, October 29, 1997, 6:00 p.m., William King Regional Art Center, Regional Gallery**

Received a reminder of the annual legislative dinner meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 29, 1997, 6:00 p.m. at the William King regional Art Center, United Coal Gallery.

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b. **Black Bears in Taylor=s Valley Community**

Received communication from County Administrator Mark Reeter and William Woodfin, Jr., Director, Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, reporting the presence of black bears located in the vicinity of the Taylor=s Valley community. Mr. Reeter advised he and the Solid Waste Manager are working with the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries on a solution to this concern.

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c. **Request for Supplemental Appropriation to Repair Animal Control Vehicle**

On motion of Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $2,900 from reserves for contingencies to Animal Control, Department 35100-6009, for the repair of the 1994 Ford 4WD Truck assigned to the Department o Animal Control.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***	***Mr. Mathews***	***Aye***
Mr. Osborne	***Aye***	***Mrs. Mumpower***	***Aye***	***Mr. Parris***	***Aye***
Mr. Barker	***Aye***				

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d. **Request for Purchase of Solid Waste Vehicle**

On motion of Mr. Ingle, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to authorize the Solid Waste Department to purchase a new 4WD 2 ton truck through State contract replacing the 1986 Chevrolet 4WD S-10 long bed truck at a cost of $18,362.00.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***	***Mr. Mathews***	***Aye***
Mr. Osborne	***Aye***	***Mrs. Mumpower***	***Aye***	***Mr. Parris***	***Aye***
Mr. Barker	***Aye***				

Mr. Reeter reported the Governor may declare additional holidays during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years for state employees. He stated, however, he has not received an official communication of this action. Discussion arose concerning the possibility of the Board of Supervisors taking similar action for County Administrative Division employees. There was no action taken at this time.

13 **County Attorney Reports** There were no reports

14 **Consent Agenda**

On motion of Mr. Mathews, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to approve the following consent agenda items:

a. ***Supplemental Appropriation, Sheriff's Office: $3,523.24, Line Item 31200/5510, Transport of Prisoners Out of State; $78.60, Line Item 33100/6022, aluminum cans picked up by inmates***

b. ***Refund, Recreation Department, $15.00, Junior League Basketball Program***

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***	***Mr. Mathews***	***Aye***
Mr. Osborne	***Aye***	***Mrs. Mumpower***	***Aye***	***Mr. Parris***	***Aye***
Mr. Barker	***Aye***				

15 **Board Member Reports**

Supervisors received draft guidelines for the Design a Flag for Washington County, VA competition. Mr. Reeter distributed photographs of flags from other counties in Virginia as models.

Kenneth Mathews inquired about the future plans for the civil defense center amateur radio room when the Emergency Services Department is relocated to the Administration Building. It was the consensus of the Supervisors that the amateur radio room will remain in its present location with the understanding that if in the future the room is moved, it would be at County expense.

James T. Osborne presented a replica of a check made payable to Washington County in the amount of $54,964 from the retired teachers. He explained the amount represents the hours of volunteer work

performed by the retired teachers in Washington County. He asked that the check be framed and displayed in a prominent location in the Administration Building. Mr. Osborne expressed his appreciation to the retired teachers for their volunteer service to the county.

Mr. Osborne distributed the Bristol, VA City Council response to Washington County=s September 26, 1997 communication concerning the amendment to the Bristol, Va. -Washington County Interlocal Agreement.

16 **Recess to Wednesday, October 29, 1997, 6:00 p.m., William King Regional Arts Center, Regional Gallery, for the purpose of meeting with the Legislators**

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Derting, it was resolved to recess to Wednesday, October 29, 1997, 6:00 p.m., William King Regional Arts Center, United Coal Gallery, to meet with the legislators.

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

Mr. Derting	***Aye***	***Mr. Ingle***	***Aye***	***Mr. Mathews***	***Aye***
Mr. Osborne	***Aye***	***Mrs. Mumpower***	***Aye***	***Mr. Parris***	***Aye***
Mr. Barker	***Aye***				

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James T. Osborne, Chairman