V I R G I N I A:

At a meeting of the Washington County Board of Supervisors held Thursday, December 27, 1990, 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
Thomas Whittaker
Cecil K. Simcox

Bruce E. Bentley, County Administrator
J. C. Walsh, County Attorney
Mark W. Seamon, Director of Accounting
Elaine C. Burke, Acting Secretary

ABSENT:

Charles O. Byrd
Sandi Hatfield

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1. Call to Order

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

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

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3. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting of December 10, 1990

On motion of Mr. Whittaker, second by Mr. Simcox, it was resolved to approve the minutes of December 10, 1990 as written.

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

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

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On behalf of Tony Worley and Carol Barr, Mr. Bentley called to the attention of the Board the Operating Guidelines adopted by the Emergency Volunteer Association of Washington County.

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4. Citizen Comments

At this time Mr. Litton invited comments from citizens in the audience on items that do not appear on the agenda.

Louis Dene, a local attorney who represents Earnest Ford Davenport, addressed the Board concerning Mr. Davenport's desire to have 101 acres of land at Exit 7 annexed into the Town of Abingdon in order to develop a shopping center in that area.

Mr. Bentley asked Mr. Dene to supply a written proposal a week in advance of the January 14, 1990 meeting so that it could be included in the packets distributed to the Board members.

Mr. Dene responded that he would have a written proposal to Mr. Bentley by January 7, 1990.

Tony Worley, representing the Emergency Volunteer's Association, addressed the Board concerning the Operating Guidelines which the Volunteer's Association adopted in an effort to resolve conflicts between the rescue squads.

Kyettia Mullins, representing the Highlands Rescue Squad, requested a permit to engage in the transportation of convalescent calls in Washington County.

Discussion ensued regarding the type of convalescent calls and how the rescue squad would decide which calls would be accepted.

Mr. Mathews requested that this matter be investigated further and then put on the agenda for the January 14, 1990 meeting.

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5. County Administrator Comments

The following action was taken on County Administrator's comments:

a. Insurance Claim on Lawsuit Involving Michael W. Thompson

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Whittaker, it was resolved to transfer $5,000 from the reserve for contingencies to legal services and to authorize the payment of the $5,000 deductible to National Casualty Company.

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

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

b. County Scrap Book

Mr. Bentley requested that the Board discontinue the operation of cutting out articles from the local newspapers for the County Scrap Book and disposing of the file to the County Library.

Discussion ensued and it was suggested by Mr. Mathews that this operation be transferred to the Washington County Chamber of Commerce.

On Motion of Mr. Whittaker, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to discontinue the maintenance of the County Scrap Book by the County Administrator's Office and to refer the operation to the Washington County Chamber of Commerce.

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

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

c. Appointment to New River-Mount Rogers Private Industry Council

Received from New River-Mount Rogers Private Industry Council a letter stating that Ms. Betty Rouse of the Washington County Department of Social Services has been nominated to fill the current vacancy on the Private Industry Council. It was requested that the Board appoint Ms. Rouse to the Council and forward a Certification of Assurance signed by the Chairman of the Board to Ms. Mary Catechi, Director of Central Operations.

On motion of Mr. Brown, second by Mr. Parris, it was resolved to appoint Ms. Betty Rouse to the New River-Mount Rogers Private Industry Council.

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

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

d. Appointment to Mount Rogers PDC Board of Directors

Received from the Town of Glade Spring a letter requesting that the Board confirm the appointment of Fred O. White to the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission's Board of Directors.

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to confirm the appointment of Fred O. White to the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission's Board of Directors.

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

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

e. Interview Committee for Recycling Engineer Coordinator

Mr. Bentley recommended to the Board that they appoint a six member committee to review applications, conduct interviews and make a single recommendation to the Board of Supervisors from all subject applications and to recommend the salary for that individual. Mr. Bentley suggested that Rubinette Niemann, Sue Harding, Coy Martin, Bruce Bentley and two members of the Board of Supervisors be appointed to this committee.

On motion of Mr. Mathews, second by Mr. Brown, it was resolved that Mr. Parris be appointed to the Interview Committee.

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

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

On motion of Mr. Mathews, second by Mr. Simcox, it was resolved to appoint Mr. Whittaker to the Interview Committee.

The vote on this motion was as follows (5-0-1):

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

On motion of Mr. Brown, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved that Rubinette Niemann, Sue Harding, Coy Martin and Bruce Bentley be appointed to the Interview Committee.

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

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

f. Stolen County Tools

Mr. Bentley advised the Board that the insurance carrier for Hillcrest Bible Mission, Inc. had denied payment of $348.18 which the church had paid to the County for County tools stolen from a truck parked in the church parking lot. Mr. Bentley recommended that this amount be taken from the County General Properties, Buildings and Grounds Budget, Department 4302, Account 3070, and return this money to the church treasury.

On motion by Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Simcox, it was resolved that $348.18 be returned to the Hillcrest Bible Mission, Inc. Church treasury.

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

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

g. Burial Expense for Charles W. Rosenbaum

Mr. Bentley advised the Board that Sammy Campbell has agreed to accept the Social Services fee of $500 as total burial expense for Mr. Rosenbaum. He further advised that it will be necessary to get the judge to change the court order to reflect the $500 burial expense rather than the $1,411.28 as previously contained in the court order.

h. Communications

The following correspondence was given to the Supervisors:

:: From M. K. Brittle concerning a speed and safety study conducted on Route 11 from the intersection of Route 611 to the west corporate limits of Abingdon. Mr. Brittle advised that a reduction in the speed limit is not warranted;

:: From the Office of the Governor concerning the closing of the DMV office;

:: From the Virginia Highlands Cable Company regarding an increase in the price of basic cable service;

:: From the Virginia Community Development Block Grant Workshop concerning the scheduled dates for the workshop. Mr. Bentley advised that he will be attending both sessions to be held on January 10, 1991;

:: From Joseph P. Johnson, Jr. concerning his opposition to the closing of the local DMV office;

:: From M. K. Brittle concerning a speed and safety study conducted on Route 692 from the intersection of Route 700 to Route 611. Mr. Brittle advised that a reduction in the speed limit is warranted;

:: From the Department of Transportation a memorandum concerning Capital Grants for Transportation to the Elderly and Disabled Section 16(b)(2) Program. Mr. Bentley advised that his office does not intend to make an application for this grant;

:: From Kenneth H. Stargardt concerning the County's inability to locate suitable acreage to fit the site requirements for a maximum security prison in Washington County;

:: From Bobby G. Jessee and Teresa R. Hockett a report concerning a workshop which they attended in Blacksburg, Virginia;

:: From Dr. George H. Stainback an acknowledgment that $54,658.98 will be returned to the General Revenue Fund;

:: From Suzanne G. Lay certification lapel pins to be presented to County officials and community leaders. Mr. Bentley presented these pins to each Board member and Mr. Kenneth Stargardt, Director of Economic Development;

:: From the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Waste Management a memorandum concerning the Clean Virginia Awards for 1990;

:: From the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission the FY 1990 Audit Report;

:: From the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Health concerning the disposal of septage;

:: From Betsy K. White, Director of the William King Regional Arts Center, a thank you for the Board's action concerning the Arts Center and her request to come before the Board to update the Board members concerning the Center's activities;

:: From Tom Taylor, Executive Director of the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission, concerning the County's portion of the Legislative Liaison cost for FY 1991;

:: From Elaine Burke concerning the Set-off Delinquent Tax Program;

:: From the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services concerning the contribution from State and County funds;

:: From Robert G. Goldsmith, Executive Director of People Incorporated of Southwest Virginia, concerning the documentation of People Inc.'s insurance;

:: From Bruce Bentley Holiday Greetings to the County employees;

:: From the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development concerning the County's application for a grant to have pre-engineering and soil sampling done at the Robinson-Kelly Farm. It was not funded.

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i. <u>Reminders</u>

A list of meetings scheduled during the month of January was tendered to the Board members.

:: A joint meeting with the Bristol City Council and the Washington County Board of Supervisors has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 29, 1991 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, to be held in Executive Session.

:: Mr. Bentley called to the attention of the Board members the status reports located in the back of the agenda book. He particularly called the Board's attention to Mr. Coy Martin's request for two additional compactor stations. More information will be provided in the future about these stations.

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6. County Attorney Reports

a. A model ordinance for Solid Waste Management was tendered for the Board's review. Mr. Walsh suggested that the new Recycling Coordinator and Coy Martin look at the new model ordinance and make recommendations as to any changes they feel should be made.

b. A model ordinance for the New Erosion and Sediment Control Statute was tendered for the Board's review.

c. A model ordinance for airport zoning was tendered for the Board's review.

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7. Consideration of Consolidation of Social Service Agencies
(Postponed to January 14, 1991.)

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8. U.S. Route 58 Corridor Resolution

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to adopt the following U.S. Route 58 Corridor Resolution:

Whereas, through extensive study and considerable time, the Washington County Board of Supervisors and the U. S. Route 58 Corridor Committee strongly advocate and encourage the Southern Corridor; and

Whereas, the recommended Southern Corridor is per attached map issued by the Washington County Planning and Zoning Office dated December 19, 1990. A detail of one specific area of the Southern Corridor is defined as beginning at a point near the West intersection of Route 858 and 58 continuing by way of Laureldale, south of Taylors Valley to Green Cove. This route will allow opening up a direct route into Virginia from the South and will allow for Route 91 coming from the neighboring State of Tennessee to connect. Another specific area is defined as Moccassin Gap on

the present Route 58 to Bristol being located as close to Mendota as the corridor will allow; and

Whereas, a coordination of efforts has been made to seek public input from residents, various clubs and organizations; and

Whereas, the proposed corridor would provide a transportation system for more efficient movement of people and goods within Washington County and other parts of the region; and

Whereas, the improvement to Route 58 through the Southern part of Washington County will enhance and encourage Economic Development and promote an industrial environment designed to attract a broad range of industrial firms and provide employment opportunities for residents throughout Washington County; and

Whereas, the Southern Corridor will be in complete harmony with environmental aims such that trout streams, trails or areas containing endangered species, scenic views, or camping facilities will not be significantly disturbed.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Board strongly supports and approves the corridor herein described for the improvement and location of Route 58 through Washington County.

Be It Further Resolved that the Board of Supervisors and the U. S. Route 58 Corridor Committee strongly opposes the use of Route 77/I-81 or Route 16/ I-81 as a Route 58 Corridor consideration.

The Board further authorizes and directs that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Ray D. Pethtel, Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation, Chris Lloyd, Vice-President, Maquire Associates, Inc. and to the County's representatives in the General Assembly.

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

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

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9. Recess

No recess was taken at this time.

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10. Consideration of Dog Damage Claims

a. Sam Seymour, $225

b. Charles E. Allison, $100

Mr. Whittaker made a motion, with no second, to deny the dog damage claim made by Sam Seymour for $225 and the dog damage claim by Charles E. Allison for $100.

The vote on this motion was as follows (2-3-1):

Mr. Mathews	Nay	Mr. Simcox	Abstain	Mr. Litton	Aye
Mr. Brown	Nay	Mr. Whittaker	Aye	Mr. Parris	Nay

The motion failed to pass.

Discussion ensued concerning the County's obligation to the citizens of Washington County for the payment of dog damage claims.

On motion by Mr. Mathews, second by Mr. Whittaker, it was resolved to require citizens having dog damage claims to appear before the Board to document their claims.

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

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

Discussion ensued about Mr. Whittaker's motion to deny payment of the dog damage claims and the Supervisors' interpretation of that vote as authorizing payment on the claims.

On motion by Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Mathews, it was resolved to rescind the motion to deny the claims made by Mr. Seymore and Mr. Allison until such time that the claimants appeared before the Board of Supervisors to answer questions pertaining to their claims..

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

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

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11. Consent Agenda

a. Widener Valley Housing Rehabilitation Drawdown Request No. 13

On motion by Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Brown, it was resolved to adopt the resolution for the Widener Valley Housing Rehabilitation Drawdown Request No. 13.

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

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

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12. Board Member Reports

On motion of Mr. Mathews, second by Mr. Whittaker, it was resolved to appoint Randy Lowe as the Harrison District's representative on the Board of Supervisors' Redistricting Advisory Committee.

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

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

Discussion was had concerning the deadline for appointments to the Board of Supervisors' Redistricting Advisory Committee. It was decided that appointments should be ready by the next Board Meeting.

Mr. Litton advised the Board members that the Annual Disclosure Forms need to be completed and filed in the County Attorney's Office no later than January 15, 1991.

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13. Executive Session on Sanitary Landfill Property Acquisition
(Postponed to January 14, 1991.)

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14. Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Parris, second by Mr. Brown, it was resolved to recess the meeting until January 8, 1991.

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

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

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James P. Litton, Chairman