April 13, 1998

Chairman, Les Templin, called the meeting to order in the Commissioner's Room of the courthouse with Brian Haupert absent due to illness. Minutes of the 4/6 meeting were approved as written, motioned by Darle, second by Les and passed. Reviewed and signed 3 copies of the Notice of Voting Places for Clerk, Kelly Schenkel, motioned by Darle, second by Les and passed. Reviewed letters from Marcus Cable Co. indicating (1) rate increase effective 6/1/98 and (2) investment in Marcus Cable by Micro-soft co-founder Paul Allen of 2.7 billion. Heard estimates from Ernie Ball and GTE to add a dedicated line for the Superior Court fax machine. GTE charges \$41.05 to install the line only, it doesn't include hook-up, and monthly service would be \$36.40. Mr. Ball would charge \$55. for inside hook-up. Auditor is to talk with Judge Sposeep about his willingness to assume the monthly service charge, and Commissioners are willing to pay for installation. Upon his agreement, Auditor is to contact GTE to install the line. Scott Siders and Chester Lynn, Lagro Town Board members, spoke with Commissioners about the dangerous condition of the Ralph Lawson property in Lagro. They will try to locate the Lawson heirs in order to speed up demolition if possible.

Larry Rice, Co. Highway dept.: Odgen Rd. is open, with some back slope clean up yet to complete, and Larry wants to make sure all is acceptable with Wallace Ulrey. Noted CONRAIL got the RR crossing near the Urbana Cemetery repaired on 4/9 thanks to trouble shooter Mike Scime. Air Markings are scheduled to do the markings for both the Mill St. railroad crossing and Odgen Road. Larry shot the site on the Jerry Kirtlan request for a culvert on CR 600 W at CR 200 N, and says anything he would do would bring more water from the other side of the road. Darle motioned to deny the Kirtlan request, second by Les and passed. Larry says a road cut request from Mike Dyson on CR 400 W 36' north of CR 900 N doesn't involve the county in any way. It's a private 12" tile with Troy Eads doing the work, and the county won't charge for the road cut. Darle motioned to approve the road cut, second by Les and passed. There's another leak in the highway roof, over the sign room. Larry will get 2 or 3 repair estimates. He also noted PSI indicated electric wiring needs updated in the highway building. He had a call from Maddock's about interest in recycled road material this summer. Edward Langston, CR 500 S near Lincolnville, has increasing water problems due to debris blocking the creek. John Stephens says the creek is regulated but not certified, and he gave Mr. Langston two options, (1) he could file for an obstruction removal or (2) he could petition having the creek certified between CR 500 S and CR 600 E and he would be assessed for the work.

Shelly Neal, Women's & Family Services: Will receive a \$12,0000. grant for part-time help 15 hrs. a week thru the IN Criminal Justice Institute. Funds must travel thru a government agency. Last year it was the Marion Co. Prosecutor's office. There would be semi-annual draws, and the county would not have any liability. Darle motioned to run the grant thru the Co. Commissioners, second by Les and passed. Shelly also noted the week of April 19th thru 25th is "Nat'l Crime Victims Rights" week with many activities planned. Darle motioned to make the proclamation, second by Les, passed.

County Attorney Mattern and Commissioners fine tuned the Co. Farm 51 tillable acres contract with Soil & Water Conservation District. Tom will check about county liabilit for visitors injury. Darle would like Commissioner approval required if the SWCD plan to use crop sale funds for capital improvements. They would also like annual reports. Tom will make the changes and get a copy to SWCD this week for signatures. There beir no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Lester D. Templin, Chairman

Darle Dawes

Brian Haupert

ATTEST: Carol Stefanatas

Carol Stefanatos, Auditor