Commission met in special session at 9:00 a.m. in Commission chambers at the Marion County Courthouse with Chr. Kent Becker, Comm. Randy Dallke, and Comm. Dianne R. Novak present. Also present was Co. Clerk Tina Spencer. Present for portions of the meeting were Henry Ethem, Tom Britain, Amy Soyez, Dave Crofoot, Michelle Butts, Randall Eitzen, Jonah Gehring, Amy Stutzman, other members of the public, and members of the press.

The purpose of the meeting was to meet with Co. Counselor Brad Jantz for contract negotiation regarding the Expedition Wind project.

Chr. Becker called the meeting to order and then recessed it briefly until Counselor Jantz arrived at approximately 9:03 a.m. Becker moved to recess into executive session for the purpose of evaluating legal obligations and requirements to be comprehensively considered and included in any development agreements along with the ramifications of each regarding the Expedition Wind project pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for consultation with our attorney regarding matters deemed privileged in the attorney/client relationship with Jantz and the Board present (from 9:04 a.m.) until 9:25 a.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0.

Open session resumed with a motion by Becker to recess into executive session for the purpose of evaluating legal obligations and requirements to be comprehensively considered and included in any development agreements along with the ramifications of each regarding the Expedition Wind project pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319b (2) for consultation with our attorney regarding matters deemed privileged in the attorney/client relationship with Jantz and the Board present (from 9:25 a.m.) until 9:45 a.m. with open session to resume in Commission chambers following the closed session. Dallke seconded and motion carried 3-0.

Open session resumed with a motion by Becker that the County seek outside Counsel to work and facilitate the development agreement with Expedition (along) with Brad Jantz. The (consulting) attorney will be retained by the County by no later than October 21st. If not, there will be further discussion. Novak seconded and motion carried 3-0.

Dallke moved to adjourn. Novak seconded and motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.