Commission met in special session at 8:30 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 were Co. Clerk Tina Spencer, Planning/Zoning/Environmental Health Dir. Sharon Omstead, Co. Engineer Brice Goebel, and R&B Supt. Jesse Hamm. Co. Counselor Brad Jantz joined the session at 8:39 a.m. Present for portions of the meeting were Beverly Kavouras, Donna Nelson, Tom Britain, Lorrie Peter, Nick Peter, Henry Ethem, Dave Crofoot, Michelle Butts, Randall Eitzen, Amy Stutzman, other members of the public, and members of the press.

DIAMOND VISTA ROAD MAINTENANCE: Steve Williams and Jeffrey Pimer of Enel Green Power (EGP) and Tanner Yost and Dave Prater of Kirkham Michael Engineering (KM) joined the session to discuss ongoing road issues in the Diamond Vista project area. After a lengthy discussion, it was determined that weekly meetings will be held onsite between EGP, KM, and County staff to continue to monitor progress on reclamation and road maintenance (and related drainage) issues and to establish a more active line of communication between all three entities as the project comes to a close. Williams indicated that EGP will also provide a written timeline/schedule.

EXPEDITION WIND PROJECT DISCUSSION/CONTRACT NEGOTIATION: Patrick Pelstring of National Renewable Solutions asked for feedback from the County in regard to what issues they would like to see addressed in project agreements. Also present was Sean McMullen of PPMS, LLC. General topics suggested by Pelstring included continuity of contacts throughout the project, open communication, and clearly stated expectations, deadlines, etc. Jantz indicated that Expedition’s legal counsel will be drafting documents for review by the Board of County Commissioners.

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

ATTEST: 

Tina D. Spencer, County Clerk

Kent Becker, Chairman