



*Former Commissioner Jack Huddleston was honored last week by the Knox County Commission for his public service and securing funding for a much needed traffic light in the Gibbs Community. Huddleston and his wife, Joyce, were joined during the presentation by Commissioner David Wright, right.*

## Closing of Lovelace Road Denied

## rezoning plan

By Pete Gawda

The long-awaited preliminary school rezoning plan is now available for public comment. Not only does the plan set attendance zones for the new Hardin Valley and Gibbs middle schools, it also adjusts the zones for Farragut, Karrs, Holston, Carter, Vine and South-Doyle Middle Schools.

At least two school board members expressed approval of the proposed rezoning shortly after it was announced.

"It is clear Knox County Schools made a good faith effort to listen to the people," was the opinion of Terry Hill, whose district includes Ball Camp Elementary School, Hardin Valley Elementary School and Hardin Valley Academy.

Gloria Deathridge, whose district includes Holston Middle School and Vine Middle Magnet, said she has received no negative comments on the proposed zoning. She was especially pleased that some long bus rides have been eliminated.

The new Hardin Valley Middle School zone would include all of the existing Hardin Valley Elementary