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Commissioners Courtroom
20 City-County Building
21 1 East Main Street
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14 Randy Brown General Manager, Allen
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18 Jim Dearing MSKTD
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20 Joe Hoffman Construction Control
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1 IRVING: Good morning and thank you for joining us on
2 the June 11th Legislative Session. Commissioner
3 Rousseau, would you like to lead us in the pledge and
4 a moment of silence?

5 (At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was
6 recited in unison.)

7 (At this time, a moment of silence was
8 recognized by all.)

9 ROUSSEAU: Thank you.

10 BLOOM: Amen.

11 IRVING: Thank you. First order of business today.
12 Approve the minutes of the June 4 Legislative
13 Session.

14 BLOOM: So moved.

15 ROUSSEAU: Second.

16 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."

17 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

18 BLOOM: Aye.

19 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Second is ratify a
20 change made to the Uniroyal LEDGE Agreement approved
21 at the January 29, 2003 Legislative Session to
22 reflect the first payment will made in 2003. Good
23 morning.

24 ROYCE: Good morning--

25 BLOOM: Good morning.

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1 ROYCE: --Mark Royce, Deputy Director, Economic
2 Development. As these documents were being sent
3 across country there was a document that was signed
4 by the Uniroyal folks reflecting a 2002 taxable year
5 and the document that you signed in January reflects
6 a 2003. Everybody has agreed that is was understood
7 that what they did in 2002 would always be paid in
8 2003. So--

9 BLOOM: Okay.

10 ROYCE: --all we want is approval that you
11 acknowledge that we're taking the signature page from
12 the agreement that you signed and putting it on the
13 Uniroyal agreement. And that's what we're here for.

14 BLOOM: So moved.

15 ROUSSEAU: Second.

16 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."

17 ROYCE: Aye.

18 BLOOM: Aye.

19 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.

20 ROYCE: Thank you.

21 ROUSSEAU: Well, you want to--do we have to sign

22 those documents?

23 ROYCE: No.

24 BLOOM: No, it's already--

25 ROYCE: I'm just changing--

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1 ROUSSEAU: No, okay.

2 BLOOM: --we're just amending them.

3 ROYCE: --the signature page.

4 ROUSSEAU: Thank you, Mark.

5 ROYCE: Uh-huh (affirmative).

6 IRVING: Thank you. We want to award the contract
7 for the technology systems at the new Wood Youth
8 Center. And I think we have a representative today.
9 Maybe even two. Joe, would you like to join Joe?

10 BLOOM: Joe and Joe come forward.

11 IRVING: Joe and Joe. How about a Joe and Joey? Who
12 wants to be the Joey today?

13 HOFFMAN: I will.

14 BLOOM: Good morning.

15 IRVING: Would the two of you like to introduce
16 yourselves?

17 HOFFMAN: I'm Joe Hoffman, vice president,
18 Construction Control.

19 BRITA: I'm Joe Brita, superintendent of Wood Youth
20 Center.

21 HOFFMAN: What I've handed you this morning is a
22 letter. I'd like to read through the letter, if I
23 could. "The recommendation of the final portions of
24 the technology bid that were received back on March
25 27th. On May 27, 2003, Construction Control

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1 recommended that the Board of Commissioners enter
2 into a contract with ESCO Communications for the work
3 and specifications, sections 17600 technology
4 systems, 17610, structured cabling, 17620, television
5 distribution system, 17630, digital court
6 recording/sound reinforcement system and 17640,
7 network electronics. For a total contract value of
8 \$821,597.00 as bid on March 27, 2003, for the work of
9 account 1710, technology systems for the Juvenile
10 Justice Center. The work of section 17650,
11 audio/visual and distance learning systems and 17670,
12 desktop personal computer, file server and operating
13 system, were put on hold at that time pending further
14 review by the owner and architect. For the attached
15 letter dated May 28th from the Family and Relations
16 Division in the Allen Superior Court to the Allen
17 County Board of Commissioners, the work in section
18 17650 and 17670 noted above have been reviewed by the
19 owner. In conjunction with this letter, we are at
20 this time, recommending the Board of Commissioners
21 authorize a change order to be written to the amount
22 of \$254,245.00 incorporating into ESCO Communications
23 contract for the work of account 1710, the work of
24 sections 17650 and 17670."

25 IRVING: Ed and Linda, we have had extensive

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1 meetings. Joe Brita has been there, Ed Steenman
2 which is our IT specialist, Bill Fishering, ESCO and
3 it was determined that a few of the things that had

4 been bid out in the bid are things that actually we
5 could have taken off the state bid at a less charge.
6 And also with our contract--existing contract with
7 ACS. It's works that--that could--that they could
8 have done. And so it has been presented to the
9 judge, too and he is in complete agreement that
10 anywhere that we can buy the same product, but for a
11 little less that maybe we ought to. It does not
12 violate any of the warranties we would have or the
13 service of work, am I correct.

14 HOFFMAN: You're correct.

15 BRITA: That's correct.

16 IRVING: So I would request that we go ahead and vote
17 on awarding the rest of the technology bid as
18 outlined by CCI's letter, dated June 11th.

19 BLOOM: I'll make a motion.

20 ROUSSEAU: Second.

21 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."

22 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

23 BLOOM: Aye.

24 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Thank you very much.

25 BRITA: Thank you, Commissioners.

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1 IRVING: Thank you--you might as well stay up her for
2 just a second. Joe, is there anything--Joe and Joe--
3 anything you would like to add about our status at
4 the Wood Youth Center. I know we were at the meeting
5 today. Everything looks on schedule.

6 HOFFMAN: We started bringing in the metal cells
7 Monday of this week. We've--setting about 15 per
8 day. Things are moving ahead, we're getting the roof
9 finished up. And as long as the rains hold off, it
10 looks promising.

11 ROUSSEAU: Explain for those who aren't familiar with
12 the construction and the construction of jails, just
13 explain a little more what you mean by "they're
14 bringing in the cells today."

15 HOFFMAN: The--for the detention housing portion of
16 it, you basically have two options. You can build a
17 masonry--masonry cell with a security steel door and
18 frame or what we're using out there is a pre-
19 manufactured detention cell, which is made by
20 Habersham in Georgia. And it's a complete unit that
21 comes in--it sits in and it's basically connected up
22 from the back, the plumbing and the electrical. It's
23 a finished product when it shows up on the job site.
24 So it's--

25 ROUSSEAU: Thank you.

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1 IRVING: One thing maybe we've--maybe while we're
2 talking about the update. The cells are great. We
3 were out there yesterday, in fact, Mr. Leninger was--
4 joined Mr. Brita and myself. They're self-contained.
5 We also had the opportunity--they had put a
6 handicapped cell in. So our new Wood Youth Center
7 will also be handicap accessible with wheelchairs,
8 which was kind of interesting. And when you take a
9 look at what these cells look like versus what it
10 looks like in the old Wood Youth Center, I mean, it's
11 just a world of difference in the safety precautions
12 that have been taken by having, basically, a pre-

13 constructed cell. The chase behind will make it much
14 easier because they won't have to disturb the kids or
15 anything as they have work to do electronically,
16 plumbing-wise--anything at all because the chase
17 behind it is open and--but the cells are secure.
18 Anything you would like to add on that, Joe?

19 BRITA: No, Commissioner other than just thanks for
20 all your help. You've been a great help to us and I
21 really appreciate it.

22 IRVING: Well--

23 ROUSSEAU: I guess maybe we ought to--

24 BRITA: You're a lot of fun to work with.

25 ROUSSEAU: --put a warning out here though, Joe, that
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1 if you're handicapped, don't pull any jobs anymore
2 because we got a cell for you, now. Before we just--

3 IRVING: Bank jobs are you saying or what kind--

4 ROUSSEAU: Yeah, whatever--so if you're handicapped,
5 you know, you're going to jail now rather than--

6 BRITA: You're right. That's it.

7 ROUSSEAU: --yeah. Good deal.

8 IRVING: Joe, do you also want to give us a little
9 bit of an update on where we are on things?

10 HOFFMAN: Yeah.

11 BLOOM: Oh, gripes.

12 IRVING: Do you know--it was interesting while just
13 passing this out, it came as a question yesterday how
14 many handicap or wheelchair accessible--wheelchair
15 juveniles--

16 BLOOM: Thank you.

17 IRVING: --that we have had and Joe said, "none."

18 BRITA: None to my recollection, but Commissioner, we
19 don't have any choice in that matter, we--you know,
20 we--

21 ROUSSEAU: We got a new deal, now. We're going to
22 have new plush jail cells.

23 BRITA: Correct.

24 ROUSSEAU: And special--specially tailored.

25 BRITA: Commissioner, I think you'd be real
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1 comfortable--
2 ROUSSEAU: So now we can let loose with the--

3 IRVING: Oh, did you hear what he said?

4 BRITA: If you'd like to come and spend the night--

5 IRVING: He said, "Mr. Rousseau, I think you'd be
6 real comfortable."

7 BRITA: --I think--

8 IRVING: Hey, could I come take pictures of that one?

9 BRITA: Sure.

10 IRVING: Kevin, you want to join me?

11 IRVING: Okay, Joe, can you give us an update.

12 HOFFMAN: What I've handed out to you are two
13 documents. The one document is the--a tracking sheet
14 we track for contingency and change orders on the
15 Justice Center. If you go back to the third and
16 fourth sheets, it basically shows you where we stand
17 as far as the contingency for the Justice Center.
18 We've incorporated into that the allowances for the
19 laundry and signage, internal radio system, the data
20 telephone lines and we currently have a balance of

21 \$83,197.25 in the contingency on the Justice Center.
22 IRVING: Now, wait a minute. We're not doing the
23 Justice Center yet.
24 BLOOM: Yeah we are.
25 IRVING: You want to do that now, too?

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1 BLOOM: Well, yeah. That's what we're doing.
2 IRVING: Okay. Well, Commissioner Bloom, is there
3 anything you would like to add?
4 BLOOM: How close to being completed and opening?
5 ROUSSEAU: First of January. That's how close we
6 are.
7 HOFFMAN: Do you want me to talk about the lift
8 station?
9 BLOOM: Yeah.
10 IRVING: We might as well.
11 HOFFMAN: Okay, because that's the deciding factor.
12 BLOOM: I do, please.
13 IRVING: Since it's the Justice Center, Joe, is there
14 anything you want to add about the Wood Youth?
15 BRITA: I do not. Everything's perking along.
16 IRVING: Well, thank you very much for joining us.
17 BRITA: Thank you. Appreciate it.
18 HOFFMAN: The document that I've handed to you is the
19 cost received for the sanitary lift station that
20 needs to be added on the south side of the jail to
21 move everything out of the facility into a force main
22 system due to the flooding problems that we've had
23 over there. The total of these costs, \$137,254.09.
24 This would come out of the contingency. We've talked
25 with Mr. Gutman with the building corporation and he

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1 will be making the appropriate transfers in this
2 budget to cover these costs. Based on a timing
3 issue, the pumps and everything for this are on about
4 a six week delivery time, which means we should have
5 them in early to mid-August. At which time, we'll
6 install those. Up until then, we can't use the
7 facility for any water or sewage.

8 BLOOM: Right.
9 HOFFMAN: And then at that time, we will break into
10 the old facility and start remodeling--which the old
11 kitchen comes out and the visitation becomes laundry
12 and that expands. So that work will probably run
13 through October into early November assuming this
14 material arrives early to mid part of August. We
15 will have all of the underground work done prior to
16 Three Rivers--the structures and all the piping, so
17 that will not encumber anything on Superior Street.

18 BLOOM: Right.
19 HOFFMAN: But we will have to close down a portion of
20 Superior, probably during the day for about three to
21 four days and we'll work that out with Eleanor with
22 the city.
23 BLOOM: So we're talking the opening perhaps in being
24 in December or January because of these delays?
25 ROUSSEAU: Oh, yeah. It will be around January.

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1 HOFFMAN: At this time.
2 ROUSSEAU: I'm confident--
3 HOFFMAN: We are--

4 ROUSSEAU: --it will be about January.
5 HOFFMAN: --finishes are proceeding in the jail. The
6 courtrooms, carpet's going down, furniture will be
7 set here in a couple days--
8 BLOOM: Yeah, it's really nice. This certainly was
9 an unforeseeable expense. I really thought we could
10 accommodate this but--not.
11 HOFFMAN: No, it's just every--
12 BLOOM: I know--
13 HOFFMAN: --even you get a half inch rain--
14 BLOOM: --no, I know.
15 HOFFMAN: --that comes in a quickery, it fills it up,
16 it just--
17 BLOOM: I know.
18 HOFFMAN: --we got three, four inches of water in the
19 basement, so--
20 BLOOM: Well--
21 HOFFMAN: --we basically plugged the sewer. We're
22 not getting anymore water in or out until we get this
23 lift station up and running.
24 BLOOM: --a surprise we didn't need. We're pretty
25 close. I hope they can stay within budget because we

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1 have no more money to give them. So if they want any
2 additions they better have some deletions.
3 IRVING: I think we discussed at the meeting that it
4 was--I don't remember--within the last week. Were
5 you not given an estimate, Joe, of what you think
6 maybe our--maybe just a couple minor items that may
7 have to be looked at as a change order, yet?
8 HOFFMAN: A couple other issues are the exhaust for
9 the generator. Right now, that generator exhausts
10 out the top and there's two options. Either extend
11 that exhaust up above the building to get it away
12 from the air intake on the existing jail--
13 BLOOM: Yeah.
14 HOFFMAN: --or put some controls in to close the air
15 intake on the existing jail when the generator
16 exercises or it is running. And then we need to look
17 at the air intake on the south side of the jail based
18 on Superior Street and the bus depot. There's a
19 concern of carbon monoxide there if the buses sit for
20 a long time--prevailing wind, so those are issues
21 that the architect consultants are looking at. We
22 don't have any firm numbers on those yet.
23 IRVING: Great, anything else?
24 HOFFMAN: Not on the Justice Center.
25 BLOOM: Okay.

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1 IRVING: Okay.
2 HOFFMAN: As far as the Juvenile Center, I've given
3 you--
4 IRVING: Yes.
5 HOFFMAN: --on that contingency tracking sheet.
6 IRVING: Yes.
7 HOFFMAN: If you go back to I think about the fifth
8 page, you'll see where we made the contingency
9 transfers and--
10 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).
11 HOFFMAN: --currently right now we have a surplus of

12 \$361,238.30 in the contingency for the Juvenile
13 Justice Center.
14 IRVING: Well, while we're talking about that too,
15 Joe, here's your chance orders.
16 HOFFMAN: Are those ready to go back?
17 IRVING: Yes.
18 HOFFMAN: Okay.
19 IRVING: Can we go ahead, since Joe is here--we're
20 skipping around a little bit on the agenda, but since
21 he's sitting here let's go ahead and do agenda item
22 number six, which is the change orders. Let me read
23 through these and then if my two partners have any
24 questions, you're right here to answer them. We have
25 a total of \$12,340.69 with reductions of \$5,598.00,

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1 which means it's a total increase of \$6,742.69 and
2 I'll just run through. Hagerman has three change
3 orders, 16, 17, and 18. W.A. Sheets has one, two--
4 three change orders, 22, 23, 24. Strahm has two, 22,
5 23. Tag Coating has four of them which is nine, 10,
6 11, 12. Current had one at 24,000 [sic]. VFP Fire
7 System has one, change order number four. L-A
8 Electric has three for 18, 19 and 20. And basically
9 what all these change orders--and that's why I felt
10 like we could take them as a group. We had some
11 problems in the sallyport, we had to raise the
12 ceiling in the sallyport. And of course, you know, I
13 think we've all gone through enough construction that
14 one thing leads into another thing, leads into
15 another thing, but basically--most of these have to
16 do with overhead pipe--changing of the overhead
17 piping for the sallyports, the electrical--there's
18 some access panels in the sallyport, which was
19 \$2,233.00. So basically--Joe, do you want to add
20 anything to all these?

21 HOFFMAN: (Mr. Hoffman shakes head no.)
22 IRVING: Kind of just sums it up, right--so we're
23 looking at an addition of \$12,340.69 with a reduction
24 of \$5,598.00, which gives us a total increase of
25 \$6,742.69.

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1 ROUSSEAU: So moved.
2 BLOOM: Second.
3 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."
4 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
5 BLOOM: Aye.
6 IRVING: Aye. Thank you very much, we appreciate it.
7 BLOOM: And while you're there can we do the Justice
8 Center?
9 IRVING: Oh, we got one for the Justice Center, too,
10 don't we?
11 BLOOM: Yeah.
12 IRVING: Okay, hang on a minute here. Okay, agenda
13 item number 7. Change order, Allen County Justice
14 Center.
15 BLOOM: This change order is for Great Oaks. We were
16 able to save some additional money on this project.
17 If you remember last week we had a deduct. This is
18 for data telephone work that Great Oaks is doing and
19 the amount is \$5,846.41. I'll make a motion we
20 accept this.

21 ROUSSEAU: Second.
22 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."
23 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
24 BLOOM: Aye.
25 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Joe, we love it when
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1 you come. Please keep us informed.
2 HOFFMAN: Give you plenty of paper.
3 BLOOM: Yeah, lots of paper. You want this?
4 IRVING: I had writer's cramp.
5 HOFFMAN: If those are ready to go back--are they
6 ready to go back, Sue?
7 IRVING: Yes.
8 ELSER: They have to be dated.
9 IRVING: Oh, so you'll have to join us for the rest
10 of the meeting. Thank you very much. Now we're
11 going to go back to agenda item number four, which is
12 a change order, number 11 for the Allen County War
13 Memorial Coliseum. And thank you very much for your
14 patience shown, but this group especially knows what
15 it's like for construction change orders, don't we?
16 BROWN: Yes, we do. Good morning. I'm Randy Brown,
17 general manager of the Allen County War Memorial
18 Coliseum. With me my colleague, our project
19 architect, Jerry Noble with MSKTD & Associates. We
20 are here today with change order number 11. And
21 approximately 14, 15 items of which I believe 12 are
22 adds, three are deducts. And Mr. Noble can answer
23 any questions.
24 NOBLE: All right. We've got a summary worksheet
25 that looks like this that you should have in your
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1 paperwork. The current contract amount is--
2 BLOOM: Do we have that?
3 NOBLE: --\$29,336,473.00. This change orders totals
4 14 items. There are three deducts and 11 adds. The
5 monetary value is \$139,679.29, bringing the new
6 proposed contract amount to \$29,476,152.29. Our
7 current contingency status, if you were to look at
8 this sheet, right here, is in the lower right-hand
9 corner. We have a un--see--current contingency
10 status of \$693,612.68, which means that we have spent
11 a little more than 53% of our contingency. And the
12 last line indicates that we have billed out, on the
13 project, 99.3% of the project.
14 IRVING: Great.
15 NOBLE: Do you have any specific questions about a
16 line item?
17 BLOOM: I'll make a motion we accept the change order
18 number 11 for the amount of \$139,679.29.
19 ROUSSEAU: Second.
20 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."
21 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
22 BLOOM: Aye.
23 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
24 BROWN: Thank you.
25 IRVING: Thank you very much.
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1 BLOOM: Thank you.
2 BROWN: And just as I mentioned this morning, too.

3 We will have a press conference this afternoon at
4 2:30. The coliseum will be announcing our fourth
5 sports franchise new to the Coliseum. So if you have
6 time to join us, please--punch and cookies.

7 BLOOM: Thanks.

8 IRVING: Thank you.

9 NOBLE: And a special note is that the holding cells
10 are accessible to the disabled at the Coliseum also.

11 ROUSSEAU: I've been--

12 NOBLE: Both of them, if you'd like to join us.

13 ROUSSEAU: --concerned about that.

14 IRVING: You know I've never seen those.

15 BROWN: You're welcome to spend the night at our
16 place if you'd like.

17 NOBLE: That's a good thing.

18 ROUSSEAU: You gotta--

19 IRVING: No, thank you.

20 ROUSSEAU: --you gotta break a leg or something in
21 order to--

22 BROWN: And Ed, you bring the camera.

23 ROUSSEAU: Yeah.

24 IRVING: No, I don't think so.

25 BLOOM: Thank you.

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1 IRVING: Okay, now I think we'll get back here on
2 schedule. Agenda item number eight. Recognition of
3 Allen County's admission to the Community Rating
4 System. And we have a whole group present today and
5 Kim, I hope you're going to introduce everyone.

6 BOWMAN: Yes.

7 BLOOM: Hi.

8 BOWMAN: We have some great news for you today. And
9 I would like to introduce the individuals before you.
10 First of all, I'm Kim Bowman. I'm executive director
11 of the Allen County Department of Planning Services.
12 Greg Main is the state coordinator for the National
13 Flood Insurance Program at the Division of Water.
14 Rod Renkenberger is the executive director of the
15 Maumee Basin Commission. And also hiding behind me
16 is Maureen Voors and Catrina Covino from the
17 Department of Planning Services. And the reason
18 we're all here today is Greg has a presentation for
19 the Commissioners and then I have some closing
20 comments after you're done.

21 (At this time, all the Commissioners have
22 gathered at the speaker's table to
23 receive an award.)

24 MAIN: First, let me say it's a great pleasure to be
25 here this morning and to be able to honor Allen

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1 County with this presentation. I'm going to cheat.
2 I made some notes to try to get a--do facts for, if
3 that's quite all right, so--

4 IRVING: You're on TV, so don't be nervous.

5 MAIN: Okay.

6 ROUSSEAU: We're big on facts.

7 MAIN: Okay. On behalf of the Federal Emergency
8 Management Agency, I would like to present this
9 plaque to Allen County for it's achievement in the
10 enrollment into the Community Rating System. Allen
11 County has achieved a class nine rating that has

12 resulted in a 5% savings on the cost of flood
13 insurance for policyholders in the unincorporated
14 county, due to the hard work of your flood plain
15 management program. Currently in Indiana, we have
16 397 communities that participate in the National
17 Flood Insurance Program, however, in the Community
18 Rating System, which is the next level, we now have
19 15. You're the 15th one in the state, so that's
20 something to be very proud of. Nationally, there are
21 only 959 communities that have achieved a C.R.S.
22 qualification, so you're part of the elite. And
23 we're proud of that as a state and as a community, I
24 hope. So both you and your staff are to be commended
25 for your hard work and commitment to reducing flood

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1 losses in Allen County. And I congratulate you on
2 becoming Indiana's newest C.R.S. community.

3 IRVING: Oh, well thank you.

4 MAIN: And if I may, I'd like to present this to you
5 guys. Thank you guys.

6 IRVING: Thank you so much.

7 BLOOM: Thank you.

8 MAIN: You've done a great job as has your staff.

9 BLOOM: They've done a great job.

10 MAIN: Yeah.

11 IRVING: Fantastic, Ron and crew--

12 BOWMAN: Maureen and Catrina are the Allen County
13 staff in D.P.S. that primarily coordinate this and
14 Rod is an invaluable resource to us in not only with
15 the C.R.S. Program, but with the Flood Plain
16 Management and everything.

17 ROUSSEAU: I was wondering if there will be some kind
18 of party or something--

19 IRVING: Yeah.

20 MAIN: I don't know if I could invite you down for
21 the night, but--real quickly, I'm sorry. Also on a
22 different note. There's also a State Flood Plain
23 Association, Indiana Association of Flood Plain Storm
24 Water Managers of which I'm currently the chair. We
25 also would like to recognize your achievement with

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1 this and we'll be sending the information to you. In
2 June we have an annual conference and we have an
3 awards banquet. And at that time would like to also
4 recognize your achievement at that event?

5 BLOOM: June of this year?

6 MAIN: June of this year.

7 BLOOM: We're in it.

8 IRVING: Thank you.

9 MAIN: I'm sorry, September. How about September.
10 Yeah, that's a little quick.

11 IRVING: September, please--we would love to attend.
12 And Kim, because you're saying all these kind things
13 are you trying to tell us you would like this award
14 on your wall in D.P.S.?

15 BOWMAN: We would be very proud to display it.

16 BLOOM: Our walls are full, please feel free.

17 BOWMAN: We'd be very proud.

18 ROUSSEAU: Yeah.

19 BLOOM: No, I'm teasing. Of course we want you to

20 have it.
21 BOWMAN: Thank you.
22 IRVING: That's great. Thank you very much.
23 MAIN: Thank you again.
24 IRVING: And we'll look forward to seeing you in
25 September.

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1 MAIN: Okay, thank you.
2 ROUSSEAU: Thanks folks.
3 BLOOM: Thanks Rod.
4 (At this time, all Commissioners returned
5 to their seats.)
6 ROUSSEAU: Smells like feet around here.
7 BLOOM: Quit it.
8 IRVING: Stop it.
9 BLOOM: Quit it.
10 IRVING: Ed. Gee, that's wonderful.
11 ROUSSEAU: If I--
12 IRVING: Isn't that nice to get awards.
13 ROUSSEAU: --if I looked a lot taller--
14 BLOOM: There's one of 'em.
15 ROUSSEAU: --at this little set-to out here, it's
16 because Linda didn't have her shoes on and I thought
17 I smelled feet, but then I don't know. Well, anyhow
18 I felt real tall for a little bit.
19 IRVING: Ed, that is not on the agenda. Thank you.
20 ROUSSEAU: Oh.
21 IRVING: Okay, agenda item number nine. Approval and
22 acceptance of completion of the 2002 HMA--please,
23 Mike come save us--
24 BLOOM: Hi.
25 IRVING: --Resurfacing Package number three, Bid

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1 Reference number 42-02.
2 FITCH: Good morning. Mike Fitch, Allen County
3 Highway Department. This was a resurfacing package
4 which was bid last fall. It was not completed until
5 this spring and we're requesting a final approval of
6 this project.
7 IRVING: I'll make a motion.
8 BLOOM: I need the--
9 ROUSSEAU: Second.
10 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."
11 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
12 IRVING: Aye.
13 BLOOM: Well, wait a minute.
14 IRVING: Now, we'll discuss it.
15 BLOOM: Aye. What was the amount on it? I didn't
16 see any dollar amount. I just wanted to know what
17 the dollar amount was. E & B--
18 FITCH: The final approval sheet here doesn't--it
19 gives the names of projects, but does not have a
20 total for the final--
21 IRVING: Do we need a--
22 FITCH: --completion cost.
23 BLOOM: I see that.
24 IRVING: --do we need a total?
25 (Bill Fishering shakes head no.)

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1 BLOOM: I really--
2 IRVING: Our attorney is shaking his head no, because

3 we don't need a total, we just need the projects.

4 BLOOM: But I really wanted to know the total, so
5 you'll get back to me, right?

6 FITCH: Yes.

7 BLOOM: Thank you.

8 FITCH: After this meeting.

9 BLOOM: Okay, we voted on it, right?

10 FITCH: Yes.

11 IRVING: Why don't you bring it back next Wednesday.

12 ELSER: I do not--I did think we did vote on it--

13 FITCH: Okay.

14 ELSER: --Commissioner--did they--

15 IRVING: I made a motion, Ed seconded it and Linda
16 squeaked out an "Aye". Okay, we also have an
17 approval of weight limit posting on the Old Maysville
18 Road over the Pierson Ditch in St. Joe Township,
19 section four, post a four ton.

20 FITCH: This project is part of our bridge
21 maintenance program. It's currently under design and
22 recently the consultant visited the sight again to
23 get some information and discovered that the
24 spaulding of the bridge was exposing some of the
25 reinforcing strands in the bridge and recommended to

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1 us that the posting be changed from five tons to four
2 ton.

3 BLOOM: Huh.

4 FITCH: This bridge has garbage trucks crossing it,
5 so--

6 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

7 FITCH: --this may impact their route to and from the
8 homes in that area.

9 IRVING: What about school buses?

10 FITCH: I think four ton--we'll have to check, but I
11 think four or five tons is still legal for school
12 buses, but some of the garbage trucks are much higher
13 than that, so--

14 BLOOM: Is this the start of lowering weight limits
15 on our bridges because of lack of funds?

16 FITCH: Yes, this project is part of our improvement
17 program. We currently do not have funds to replace
18 this bridge.

19 IRVING: Okay.

20 BLOOM: So it's a start of a--

21 ROUSSEAU: But you could--this would be something we
22 could handle next year though, I would assume.

23 BLOOM: Well--

24 FITCH: Yes, this bridge is not eminent danger of
25 failing. We just want to reduce the--

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1 BLOOM: Safety--exactly.

2 FITCH: --weight limit just to make sure that we
3 don't accelerate the deterioration of the structure
4 by letting--

5 BLOOM: Okay.

6 FITCH: --some heavy load cross it.

7 BLOOM: I'll make a motion we accept the weight limit
8 to four ton.

9 ROUSSEAU: Second.

10 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."

11 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
 12 BLOOM: Aye.
 13 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
 14 FITCH: Thank you very much.
 15 IRVING: Do you have anything else for us?
 16 FITCH: That's all I have, thank you. Have a good
 17 day.
 18 IRVING: Do we have any other business before us?
 19 ELSER: We have no other business.
 20 IRVING: Can I have a motion to waive the 2nd
 21 Reading?
 22 BLOOM: So moved.
 23 ROUSSEAU: Second.
 24 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."
 25 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

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 1 BLOOM: Aye.
 2 IRVING: Aye. Comments from the public? Do we have
 3 any comments today? (No response.) Hearing none,
 4 we'll adjourn. Have a nice week.

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 6 (Adjourned 10:35 a.m.)

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 3 3 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE
 4 4 I, Alan R. Bunn, a Notary Public in and for
 5 5 the State of Indiana, County of Allen, do hereby
 6 6 certify that the above and foregoing is a true and
 7 7 accurate transcript of the Board of Commissioners of
 8 8 the County of Allen, Legislative Session, held before
 9 9 me on April 16, 2003 in the Allen County
 10 10 Commissioners' Courtroom, Room 200, City-County
 11 11 Building, 1 East Main Street, Fort Wayne, Allen
 12 12 County, Indiana; that I am not related to, employed
 13 13 by or interested in any of the parties to this cause
 14 14 of action.
 15 15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my
 16 16 hand and seal this 16th day of June, 2003.
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Alan R. Bunn, Notary Public
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