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7 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEN

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9 RE: LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF
10 JULY 16, 2003
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15 DATE: July 16, 2003

16 TIME: 10:00 a.m.

17 LOCATION: Room 200
Commissioners Courtroom
City-County Building
18 1 East Main Street
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802
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20 REPORTER: M. Joshua Osbun
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1 PRESENT:
2 Marla J. Irving Allen County Commissioner
3 Linda K. Bloom Allen County Commissioner
4 Edwin J. Rousseau Allen County Commissioner
5 Herb Baatz Adams Township Trustee
6 Debra Freeman Adams Township Deputy
 Trustee
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8 Tim Martin Adams Township Advisory
 Board
9 Mark Royse Deputy Director, Allen
 County Department of
10 Planning Services
11 Sheila Hudson Director, Allen County
 Community Corrections
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13 Michelle Wood Department of Planning
 Services
14 Michael Fitch Director, Allen County
 Highway Department
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16 Bruce Little Allen County Purchasing
 Director
17 Paula Hughes Allen County Council
18 Edgar Ridenour Allen County Highway
 Department

19 Lin Wilson Allen County Grant
 20 Administrator
 21 DeAnna Smith Allen County Commissioners
 22 Office
 23 Mary Hitchens Public Information Office
 24 John McGauley Public Information Director
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 2 Dan Stockman Journal-Gazette
 3 Zach Myers WISE-TV

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1 IRVING: Good morning, and thank you for joining us
2 for our Wednesday, July 16th legislative session.
3 Could we start out by having the pledge and a moment
4 of silence, please?

5 (At this time the Pledge of Allegiance is
6 recited, followed by a moment of silence.)

7 ROUSSEAU: Thank you.

8 IRVING: Okay, thank you very much. First order of
9 business is approval of the July 9th legislative
10 sessions.

11 BLOOM: So moved.

12 ROUSSEAU: Second.

13 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

14 BLOOM: Aye.

15 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

16 IRVING: Aye. Motion's carried. Today we have some
17 guests here from Adams Township. Would you like to
18 join us, please? They would like to appeal to borrow
19 money on a short-term basis for their poor relief
20 fund. Thank you.

21 BAATZ: Thank you for allowing us here today. I
22 would like to introduce myself first of all. I'm
23 Herb Baatz, the Adams Township Trustee. This is
24 Debra Freeman who is the Deputy Trustee as well as
25 the poor relief director. Mr. Tim Martin, who is on

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1 our advisory board.

2 IRVING: Great.

3 BLOOM: Good morning.

4 IRVING: Well thank you for joining us. We have your
5 notebooks here in front of us. Would you like to
6 give us a short--excuse me--a short synopsis--

7 BAATZ: Yes.

8 IRVING: --of where you're at with your poor relief
9 right now?

10 BAATZ: Yes. I would like to briefly thank Susan who
11 has helped us through the Commissioners Office and
12 getting prepared for this. She's been a big help to
13 us, and I wanted to let you know that she has been
14 very helpful. As we run through these quickly, in
15 the packet that you received today is a letter of
16 explanation. Originally when we approached Susan
17 last week we talked of figures of possibly
18 \$250,000.00 in need of a loan and going through our
19 legal advisor, and also going back and talking to the
20 county auditors as to what the statutes were and how
21 strict they were that we would not be able to take
22 into consideration handing out the poor relief, if
23 you will, as far as the employees themselves, any
24 expenditures of office, and so on over that period of
25 time. Originally when we had our brief understanding

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1 from the Department of Local Government Finance which
2 was part of the packet I gave you last week for that,
3 so we had to reduce that amount. I have later in the
4 packet here a sheet which will explain that dollar
5 amount and why we came to that conclusion. This

6 basically is a first letter of explanation to let you
7 know why that change in a dollar amount we're
8 requesting. The next two pages are the actual
9 statutes which is the township poor relief borrowing
10 procedures which we are held to, and we had a dickens
11 of a time trying to come up with this. Your office
12 as well as the Auditors Office was unfamiliar with
13 this. We had to go through the Department of Local
14 Government Finance to get this, so we got it to you
15 folks as quickly as we could, and--so this is
16 basically for your informational--and it shows in the
17 very first page there of I-1, 2, and 3 what the
18 standards are--the criteria for us coming before you
19 to be able to show justification for the need for a
20 loan which will show here shortly. The second page--
21 the very next page is the continuation of that
22 statute itself. The next page after that is a
23 written notice for the Advisory Board meeting. We
24 are required by statute to give them written notice.
25 This is just a copy to let you know that it was done

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1 per procedural aspects. The very next two pages is
2 the actual resolution by the Adams Township Advisory
3 Board. It states we met yesterday. We had the
4 meeting. It follows the statutory requirements of
5 what our legal advisor had stated. That is there for
6 your review, and it is signed by the Advisory Board
7 per the statute. The very next page we come across
8 is a informational page to show you what we had in
9 2002 and 2003 and how our expenditures have gone up
10 considerably. We're about \$42,000.00 as it indicates
11 on there in the very bottom right increase in this.
12 Something unforeseen by us with the economy being the
13 way it is. The next few pages are supporting
14 documents showing for the Fort Wayne of layoffs and
15 closings including the next three pages of the
16 Warren's notice. The next page is additional layoff
17 and closing list that we had compiled by the Advisory
18 Board members for your review as well. I would note
19 at the bottom paragraph of that page that we had been
20 receiving some inquiries in reference to unemployment
21 benefits leaving some people. They're contacting us
22 and asking, "What is the process before poor relief
23 because we will be running out of unemployment in
24 August or September?" The reason we're pointing that
25 out is it may get worse before it gets better. We

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1 may incur even higher expenses than we have so far
2 for the first six months. The very next page, this
3 distinguished body governs over them when we have
4 our--our Board of Appeals referenced to the township
5 and things we do, but this is the statute that
6 stipulates in here that the township trustee is
7 required by statute to take care of poor relief.
8 You're already aware of that, but it's for those who
9 may not remember the exact wording. The next
10 section, if you will, or pages is the actual statute
11 for county borrowing process, and chapter 23 and 24
12 is the poor relief per state statute. That is the
13 packet that I prepared for you today with this, and I

14 want to stress to this body that we are in dire
15 straights as far as our poor relief. It's concerned
16 --this statute does not allow us to borrow money for
17 our firefighting and E.M.S. which we are still
18 incurring expenses. We are drastically over what we
19 were in the past. As we--you all--folks well know as
20 the rest of us that with the assessing process being
21 slowed no one seems to know when this is going to
22 come through. We'd have normally received about
23 \$200,000.00 in the end of June, and we would not be
24 here if we had that money. We have a cash flow
25 problem as well as the lack of that money coming

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1 through. With our expenditures being higher this
2 year we probably would have had to incur a loan at
3 some point in time. It would not have been this
4 early had we received more money. To date we
5 received about \$43,000.00 of tax money out of the
6 \$200,000.00, and that's the reason we're before you
7 today. We just have immediate cash flow problems.
8 We will have to acquire another additional loan to
9 take care of the fire department. That form is
10 different by state statute, but I want to at least
11 make you aware of it that this does not solve all of
12 our problems.

13 BLOOM: Okay.

14 IRVING: For information from the--that you're giving
15 us and for the audience here, why don't I read the
16 two that are probably applicable so we can get them
17 into the record?

18 BAATZ: Yes, ma'am.

19 IRVING: Under Indiana state statute 12-20-23-1, Need
20 to Borrow, "If the Board of Commissioners of a county
21 finds that the amount of money required by the
22 townships of the county for the providing of poor
23 relief is greater than a reasonable advance by the
24 county out of available money, the Board of
25 Commissioners of the county may borrow on behalf of

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1 the county. Sufficient money for the purpose and
2 subject to the limitations set forth in this
3 chapter." And then 12-20-23-12, which is on page
4 748, Notice of Determination to Make Loan and Issue
5 Bonds, "Upon adoption of the order of the Board of
6 Commissioners, the county Auditor shall give notice
7 to tax payers the determination to make the loan, and
8 shall issue the bonds." I think it said it all in
9 the very first one when it says it can be "a
10 reasonable advance by the county out of available
11 money," and I right now I don't think it's a secret
12 to anyone that our money situation is extremely
13 tight. The amount that you're asking is over and
14 above what we have for available cash even though
15 there--there definitely is a need and we understand
16 the need. And that's why we have to go to state
17 statute to make sure that you have enough money in
18 your poor relief fund. Either one of the other--

19 ROUSSEAU: Well, this--

20 IRVING: --Commissioners--

21 ROUSSEAU: --is not--

22 IRVING: --like to state something?

23 ROUSSEAU: --this is not an unusual thing, and over
24 all the years I've typically heard poor relief
25 requests for a long time, and this is not a real

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1 unusual thing. As a matter of fact, I think your
2 township in the past has had to borrow money about
3 this time of year, and--and so the procedure
4 normally, as the way I understand it, is that you
5 see, well, can we loan it to you, and we don't have
6 the funds, and so then they're allowed, then, to,
7 like, go to the marketplace to be able to borrow the
8 money.

9 BAATZ: As--Mr. Rousseau, as has been explained to me
10 by the Department of Local Government Finance and
11 through reading the statutes, it's my understanding
12 that we come before this body to make--

13 ROUSSEAU: Yes.

14 BAATZ: --sure that the--the--it's real that the need
15 is there. If the money is not here, that we're
16 referred on to County Council, and we are scheduled
17 with them for tomorrow evening. We would need
18 affirmation from you folks that while you don't have
19 the funds, you see the need--

20 BLOOM: Exactly.

21 BAATZ: --that way we would proceed onto them. If
22 they agree that we have a need and they have no
23 funds, they send us to the county auditor, and the by
24 state statute they shall acquire a loan on our
25 behalf.

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1 BLOOM: Exactly.

2 IRVING: How--we've been working very well with
3 Commissioner Hinkle. I assume from what you're
4 saying the Department of Local Finance has been very
5 helpful to you?

6 BAATZ: Paige Geltman is who I've been in contact
7 with at that--at that end, and she's one that gave us
8 what the state would do, and then she informed me
9 last week, of course, she had gone through the county
10 aspects already, and--and so we're quickly trying to
11 go through that aspects.

12 BLOOM: I'd like to make a motion that the Board of
13 Commissioners of the County of Allen decline the
14 request to borrow money from the county, and make the
15 motion that we do find the need for Adams Township to
16 borrow money to fund poor relief, and we do give
17 approval for you to continue on with doing this.

18 IRVING: To proceed properly through--

19 BLOOM: Right.

20 IRVING: --state statutes.

21 ROUSSEAU: Second.

22 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

23 BLOOM: Aye.

24 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

25 IRVING: Aye. Thank you very much.

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1 BAATZ: Thank you very much for your time today.

2 IRVING: We appreciate you coming--

3 BLOOM: Thank you.

4 IRVING: --before us.

5 BAATZ: Thank you.
6 IRVING: Your presentation was great. Thank you.
7 BLOOM: Good job.
8 IRVING: Consideration of an agreement with Benco
9 Dental Supply Company.
10 ROYSE: Good morning.
11 BLOOM: Good morning, Mark.
12 IRVING: Good morning. How--
13 ROUSSEAU: Mark--
14 IRVING: --are you, Mark?
15 ROYSE: Good, yourself? Mark Royse--
16 IRVING: I'm wonderful.
17 ROYSE: --Deputy Director, Economic Development.
18 This agreement--Benco Dental has just located out in
19 Centennial Park and has committed to investing 1.4
20 million and creating 22 full-time jobs with a payroll
21 of approximately half a million dollars within the
22 next 12 months. As part of that, the city and county
23 jointly agreed to provide funds for training and
24 high--telecommunications and high speed data system
25 equipment. This agreement for the county is

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1 \$13,333.00. It will be out of the fund 330, the
2 economic development fund, and not out of CEDIT
3 money. That's before you at this point in time. Do
4 you have--

5 IRVING: Commissioner Rousseau, do you have anything
6 you'd like to add?

7 ROUSSEAU: No. We've worked with them for a while,
8 and this has been approved by the alliance and the
9 situation, you know, with the city and the county,
10 and we've worked together on it.

11 IRVING: I'll entertain a motion.

12 ROUSSEAU: I entertain a motion that we pass this.

13 BLOOM: I'll second that.

14 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

15 BLOOM: Aye.

16 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

17 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Mark, I think you're
18 next on the agenda, too with Pepsi America
19 Remanufacturing--

20 ROYSE: Right.

21 IRVING: --Operation.

22 ROYSE: This is a revision of the original agreement.
23 Back in early 2001 there was a commitment made
24 between, again, between the city and county based on
25 the operation--the Pepsi operation creating a total

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1 115 jobs by July 1st of this year. That was a start-
2 up operation. Those were estimates, and basically
3 right now that they are at an employment of 70 plus,
4 and anticipated going up to 85. So what we've done
5 is gone back and looked at their operation, and want
6 to just revise the agreement to reflect what the real
7 employment situation is there. I'd be happy to
8 answer any questions you'd have on that.

9 ROUSSEAU: One of the dilemmas that we have is that
10 we have several in the same category, and that with
11 the economy being the way it is that some of them
12 aren't able to make the projections on the thing, and
13 so it's a combination of trying to put--keep the deal

14 together, and we have to make, you know, some
15 accommodations for something like this.

16 IRVING: I'll entertain a motion.

17 ROUSSEAU: I so move.

18 BLOOM: Second.

19 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

20 BLOOM: Aye.

21 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

22 IRVING: Aye. Motions carried.

23 ROYSE: Thank you.

24 IRVING: Thank you very much, Mark.

25 BLOOM: Thank you.

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1 ROYSE: Thank you.

2 IRVING: Next on the addition is Allen County Code
3 Title 12/Article 87/Ordinance 7-16-0321. With all
4 that I think we're talking the Father's Program.

5 HUDSON: Yes, we are, Commissioners. I'm Sheila
6 Hudson, and I'm the Director of Allen County
7 Community Corrections. I'm asking--I'm requesting a
8 resolution to establish a fund to receive this
9 \$75,000.00 grant we received in combination with the
10 Family and--the F.F.S.A. and Community Corrections to
11 put together an employment services program for
12 fathers who have child support obligations.

13 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we establish the fund
14 and Title 12 Financial/Article 87/Ordinance number 7-
15 16-0321.

16 ROUSSEAU: Second it.

17 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

18 BLOOM: Aye.

19 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

20 IRVING: Aye. Keep us abreast on the program.

21 HUDSON: I will--

22 IRVING: It sounds--

23 HUDSON: --Commissioner.

24 IRVING: --very interesting.

25 HUDSON: Should I wait to the end of the other

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1 business? I know I have items on the agenda.

2 IRVING: Yeah, we'll go ahead. The grant agreement,
3 it is under other business.

4 HUDSON: I'll be happy to wait, Commissioner--

5 IRVING: And the grant--

6 HUDSON: --if you--

7 IRVING: --agreement--

8 HUDSON: --want me to.

9 IRVING: --for Community Corrections--

10 BLOOM: Let's just do it.

11 IRVING: --Sheila, we're going to let you. We know
12 how busy you are. We're not going to hold you up
13 today, so you can--

14 HUDSON: Thank you, very much.

15 IRVING: --synopsis on it, please?

16 HUDSON: I'm asking your blessing on the Allen County
17 Community Corrections Juvenile Grant--Biannual grant.
18 It is for two years. Last week it was the Adult
19 Division, and this is the Juvenile Division. It is
20 operated out of Allen Superior Court's Juvenile
21 Probation Department under Judge Stephen Sims.

22 IRVING: Okay, is there--I'm not sure I have the
23 paperwork on that.
24 BLOOM: You want to make the motion, Ed? I don't
25 have the paper either.

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1 ROUSSEAU: Right here. So moved.
2 IRVING: No, this is--
3 BLOOM: Oh, here--no, this is the fathers--
4 IRVING: --wait a minute here. Which one have we got
5 here? This is still the one for the fathers? Okay,
6 Ed. You need to sign this one, then. There's three
7 places. Okay, now I think we're--got our paperwork
8 shoveled around these grants. You have so many
9 signatures here. This was the purchase for the
10 licenses, is that--
11 HUDSON: No, that was the third item on other
12 business. That is for the--
13 IRVING: I need--
14 HUDSON: --software.
15 IRVING: --a motion on this grant agreement now.
16 HUDSON: It's the Allen County Community Corrections
17 Juvenile Division Biannual Grant.
18 BLOOM: And I'll make a motion that we accept this.
19 ROUSSEAU: I second it.
20 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
21 BLOOM: Aye.
22 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
23 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
24 HUDSON: Thank you.
25 IRVING: Now we'll get to the 42 licenses. How's

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1 that?
2 HUDSON: Yes. Yes, ma'am. Steve Holston explained
3 that through the Data Board, and asked for your
4 signature on I believe it's \$5500.00 to bring our
5 computers and software up to compliance.
6 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we accept this
7 amount.
8 ROUSSEAU: Second it.
9 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
10 BLOOM: Aye.
11 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
12 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
13 HUDSON: Thank you very much.
14 IRVING: Just to keep my two partners up on this, as
15 we are now winding down to make sure that all of our
16 computers have the proper licenses, A.C.S. has agreed
17 through their own fund to fund 11, which I think that
18 may be coming through us today, and Sheila had 42
19 licenses, and we should be all up to license police
20 now, that everything is up to date, has been deleted,
21 and we are going to be instituting our quarterly
22 three to five percent of the county computers are
23 going to be monitored and make sure that the licenses
24 stay up to date. So we appreciate this. I know that
25 this was a little bit of a hardship for you, but I

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1 appreciate your willingness to make sure all your
2 computers--
3 HUDSON: Yes, ma'am.
4 IRVING: --are compliant.

5 HUDSON: Thank you very much.
6 IRVING: Thank you, Sheila.
7 BLOOM: Have a good one.
8 HUDSON: I will, thank you.
9 IRVING: Next on our list is addition to--we already
10 had that taken care of. Okay, plat signature.
11 Michelle, Shadow Ridge, Section II.
12 BLOOM: Good morning.
13 WOOD: Good morning. Would you--
14 IRVING: How are--
15 WOOD: --like me--
16 IRVING: --you this--
17 WOOD: --to come up?
18 IRVING: --week? We only have one, so we can
19 probably do it right here.
20 WOOD: Right here at the very bottom. Thirty-one
21 [31] lots plus County Line Road.
22 IRVING: Great. It's a right-handed pen, so have
23 fun.
24 WOOD: I'm still looking for a left-handed pen.
25 BLOOM: I have adjusted.

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1 IRVING: Linda needs to open a left-handed store
2 here.
3 WOOD: South paws--
4 IRVING: Of course it's just her and one other
5 person, right?
6 BLOOM: Heck, no--
7 IRVING: There's a lot--
8 BLOOM: --you look--
9 IRVING: --of left-handed--
10 BLOOM: --around--
11 IRVING: --people--
12 BLOOM: --there's a lot.
13 WOOD: Thank you very much.
14 BLOOM: Thank you.
15 IRVING: You know more presidents of the United
16 States have been left-handed than right?
17 BLOOM: Of course.
18 IRVING: So you--
19 WOOD: You should--
20 IRVING: --could be--
21 WOOD: --run.
22 IRVING: --President of the United States.
23 BLOOM: I think I'll pass.
24 IRVING: That's right.
25 WOOD: Thank you very much.

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1 IRVING: Thank you. We have a change order for the
2 Allen County Juvenile Justice Center with Esco
3 Communications for \$254,245.00. Now, this may appear
4 like it's a change order, but it's really not a
5 change order. This is just a paper clarification.
6 What it is is--it is the technical bid, and if you
7 remember correctly about six weeks ago we approved
8 all of the wiring so we could go with the technology,
9 and because we would have--if we had this rebid again
10 and did it in sections, they would have to post
11 another bond and all that, so we're putting it
12 through as a change order. This is for the

13 computers, this is for the update on the completion
14 of all the technology. I'll accept a motion.
15 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that on C.O. number 002
16 for the amount of \$254,245.00.
17 ROUSSEAU: Second it.
18 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
19 BLOOM: Aye.
20 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
21 IRVING: Aye. This will be taken out of the
22 technology line item. This will not be taken over
23 out of the change order. This is out of the
24 technology line item. Okay, approve supplemental
25 agreement number four between GAI and Allen County

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1 for engineering services for Auburn Road, \$17,800.00.
2 BLOOM: So moved.
3 ROUSSEAU: Second.
4 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
5 BLOOM: Aye.
6 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
7 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approval of the
8 perpetual highway traffic control easement between
9 Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Allen County for the Covington
10 Road and Hadley Road intersection.
11 BLOOM: So moved.
12 ROUSSEAU: Second.
13 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
14 BLOOM: Aye.
15 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
16 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approve supplemental
17 number two agreement between GAI Consultants and
18 Allen County for right of way engineering services
19 for Leo-Mayhew road improvements, project 02-028 for
20 \$29,700.00.
21 BLOOM: So moved.
22 ROUSSEAU: Second.
23 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
24 BLOOM: Aye.
25 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Aye. Agenda item number 11, approve
2 engineering study between GAI Consultants and Allen
3 County for Flutter Road improvements, project 02-301
4 for 55,850 [\$55,850.00].
5 BLOOM: So moved.
6 ROUSSEAU: Second.
7 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
8 BLOOM: Aye.
9 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
10 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approve and award
11 quotation bid for the 2003 concrete pavement repair
12 package number two for Perry Township and Cedar Creek
13 Township, a total award to Newell Construction
14 Company for \$65,601.75. The repairs are to be made
15 in Oak Grove Addition, Cedar Creek Township, Section
16 31. Do I have to read in the record--
17 BLOOM: No. No, and then just do this, too.
18 IRVING: And Oak Cross Addition, Perry Township,
19 Section Number 36. We will have the list available
20 in our office of all the streets.
21 BLOOM: So moved.

22 ROUSSEAU: Second.
23 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
24 BLOOM: Aye.
25 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Aye. Mike.
2 BLOOM: Good morning, Mike.
3 FITCH: Mike Fitch, Allen County Highway Department.
4 Do you have any questions?
5 IRVING: You were so efficient that we didn't have
6 any questions, and you're doing such a great job,
7 Mike.
8 FITCH: Okay, thank you very much.
9 BLOOM: Are these--no, maybe you could explain. Are
10 concrete pavement repair packages asked by the
11 citizens, or does the Highway Department monitor
12 this?
13 FITCH: It's a combination of both. When the
14 citizens call and report pot holes in our concrete
15 streets, we keep track of those and we put those
16 together into packages instead of going out and
17 repairing one at a time, we put them together as a
18 group. Normally somewhere between 50 [\$50,000.00]
19 and \$75,000.00 projects so that we get better bids on
20 the projects. We do go through all of our
21 subdivisions and have maintenance programs on our
22 concrete, and some of these streets we--we are
23 patching in a planned fashion versus just going in
24 and randomly doing it. We try to do one section of a
25 subdivision at a time and try to keep within our

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1 budget. Sometimes we have to tell people we can't do
2 all of the extensive improvements at one because we
3 don't have the funds to do it, but that's our--our
4 approach has been systematic, and all of our roads
5 right now are--a lot of our concrete streets that
6 were put in 20 to 30 years ago are starting to need
7 repairs. There are some extensive, and we are
8 working through the associations and all of the
9 homeowners, and when they do get--for example, if
10 they--if we get a street that has a lot of repairs,
11 then we go to our 60/40 program, and we ask property
12 owners to help. This package today is--are just
13 minor areas scattered all over the subdivisions, so
14 it's not something we would want to involve a 60/40
15 dissipation.

16 IRVING: And I assume if we stay on top of the minor
17 issues that it will help prevent the street
18 continuing to deteriorate and having to replace--

19 FITCH: Yes, yes.
20 IRVING: --them and go on a 60/40.
21 FITCH: Yes, preventative maintenance--
22 IRVING: I think--
23 FITCH: --is our--
24 IRVING: --great program--
25 FITCH: --objective.

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1 BLOOM: Yeah, it is.
2 FITCH: A lot of these problems are created by poor
3 drainage. You can go back to poor concrete pavement

4 where it's busted up, and you can look and there's a
5 drainage problem, so we've been going in and
6 undercutting the pavement, putting in additional
7 stone and drainage pipe and connecting that to an
8 inlet--

9 IRVING: Good.

10 FITCH: --to avoid the problem from occurring again.

11 BLOOM: Good job, Thank you very much.

12 FITCH: Thank you. Have a good day.

13 IRVING: Thank you. You have a nice week. Okay, do
14 we have any other business to come before us? Can I
15 have a motion to waive the second reading. Oh,
16 excuse me. Yes, we have someone.

17 BLOOM: Good morning, Bruce.

18 LITTLE: Good morning.

19 IRVING: Was this on the Juvenile?

20 LITTLE: Yeah.

21 IRVING: I took care of it.

22 LITTLE: Oh, you did?

23 IRVING: Yes.

24 LITTLE: Thank you very much.

25 IRVING: You snuck out for another cup of coffee on

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1 us, didn't you, Bruce?

2 LITTLE: No, it was on business.

3 IRVING: Oh, okay.

4 LITTLE: Okay, thank you.

5 IRVING: Thank you, very much.

6 LITTLE: Sure.

7 IRVING: May I have a motion for approval of the
8 second reading?

9 BLOOM: So moved.

10 ROUSSEAU: Second.

11 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

12 BLOOM: Aye.

13 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

14 IRVING: Aye. Do we have any comments from the
15 public today? Anyone like to join us today? (No
16 response.) Well, thank you very much for joining us,
17 and you have a nice week.

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19 (Adjourned 10:27 a.m.)
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) SS:
2 COUNTY OF ALLEN)

3 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

4 I, M. Joshua Osbun, a Notary Public in and
5 for the State of Indiana, County of Allen, do hereby
6 certify that the above and foregoing is a true and
7 accurate transcript of the Board of Commissioners of
8 the County of Allen, Legislative Session, held before
9 me on July 16, 2003 in the Allen County Commissioners
10 Courtroom, Room 200, City-County Building, 1 East
11 Main Street, Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana; that

12 I am not related to, employed by or interested in any
13 of the parties to this cause of action.

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my
15 hand and seal this 21st day of July, 2003.

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M. Joshua Osbun, Notary Public
Residing in Allen County, Indiana

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20 May 14, 2010