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7 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
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9 RE: LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF  
10 SEPTEMBER 10, 2003  
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15 DATE: September 10, 2003  
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17 TIME: 10:10 a.m.  
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Commissioners Courtroom  
20 City-County Building  
1 East Main Street  
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802  
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23 REPORTER: Alan R. Bunn  
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1 PRESENT:  
2 Marla J. Irving Allen County Commissioner  
3 Linda K. Bloom Allen County Commissioner  
4 Ed Rousseau Allen County Commissioner  
5 Susan Elser Allen County Commissioners'  
 Office  
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7 John McGauley Allen County Public  
 Information Department  
8 Mary Hitchens Allen County Public  
 Information Department  
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10 Michael Fitch Allen County Director of  
 Highway Department  
11 Mark Royse Allen County Department  
 of Planning Services  
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13 Scott Harrold Allen County Department  
 of Planning Services  
14 Miguel Trevino DLZ  
15 Alex Wernher Allen County iMAP  
16 Bruce Little Allen County Director  
 of Purchasing  
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18 William Campbell Allen County Resident

Paula Hughes County Council

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Michelle Woods Allen County Department  
of Planning Services

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Allan Frisinger Allen County Surveyor

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Dan Stockman Journal-Gazette

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Kevin Leninger News Sentinel

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- 1 IRVING: Good morning, and welcome to our September  
2 10th Legislative Session. Commissioner Rousseau,  
3 would you like to lead us in the pledge and a moment  
4 of silence?
- 5 (At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance  
6 was recited by all, and a moment of  
7 silence was observed.)
- 8 ROUSSEAU: Thank you.
- 9 IRVING: Thank you very much. A motion to approve  
10 the Minutes of the September 3rd Legislative Session?
- 11 ROUSSEAU: So moved.
- 12 BLOOM: Second.
- 13 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."
- 14 ROUSSEAU: Aye.
- 15 BLOOM: Aye.
- 16 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Consideration of a  
17 resolution to rescind the automatic tax increment  
18 financing replacement levy for the CASAD East  
19 allocation area and the CASAD East Economic  
20 Development Area.
- 21 BLOOM: Good morning, Scott.
- 22 HARROLD: Good morning.
- 23 IRVING: Scott has several to consider. Can we  
24 vote--do we need to vote on them individually or can  
25 we--

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- 1 HARROLD: No--

2 IRVING: --do them collective--

3 HARROLD: --I think you can take them as a group.

4 IRVING: Okay.

5 HARROLD: Two through seven are all related, and I  
6 can give you some background information on that  
7 while we're doing this first, and then if you have  
8 any questions about them individually, I can give you  
9 some background at that point.

10 BLOOM: You need to tell us who you are.

11 HARROLD: Good morning.

12 BLOOM: Good morning.

13 HARROLD: I'm Scott Harrold. I'm Senior Economic  
14 Development Specialist with the County Department of  
15 Planning Services.

16 IRVING: I need to read them into the record before  
17 you proceed. I only read agenda item number two.

18 HARROLD: All right, if you want to do that, that's  
19 fine.

20 IRVING: Agenda item number three, consideration of a  
21 resolution to rescind the automatic tax increment  
22 financing replacement levy for the Edgewood North  
23 allocation area in the Huguenard Economic Development  
24 Area. Consideration of a resolution to rescind the  
25 automatic tax increment financing replacement levy

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1 for the Allocation Area #2 allocation area in the  
2 Huguenard Road Economic Development Area. Agenda  
3 item number five, consideration of a resolution to  
4 rescind the automatic tax increment financing  
5 replacement levy for the Lincoln Industrial--it's the  
6 Lincoln Industrial Park, right?

7 HARROLD: Right.

8 IRVING: Lincoln Industrial Park allocation area in  
9 the Lincoln Industrial Area Economic Development  
10 Area. Number six, consideration of a resolution to  
11 rescind the automatic tax increment financing  
12 replacement levy for the North Clinton allocation  
13 area in the North Clinton Economic Development Area,  
14 and last but not least, agenda item number seven,  
15 consideration of the resolution to rescind the  
16 automatic tax increment financing replacement levy  
17 for Uniroyal Goodrich allocation area in the Uniroyal  
18 Goodrich Economic Development Area. There we go.  
19 Now we have all of them.

20 HARROLD: Okay, basically this all goes back to last  
21 year the State Legislature, in a special session,  
22 passed a tax restructuring bill. Part of that was  
23 they increased the property tax replacement levy for  
24 school general funds from 20% to 60%. That was  
25 intended to help offset the effects of the

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1 reassessment which we're still waiting on the  
2 results, but anyways, basically that--that's a good  
3 thing to help all the taxpayers in the County to  
4 reduce their tax burden. But it hurts tax increment  
5 financing districts and it reduces the revenues  
6 coming into them, and there is a lot of areas that  
7 complain to the Legislature that they were gonna be  
8 hurt by this, and their ability to pay off bonds that  
9 they had issued. So the State put in a special  
10 provision that allowed--that actually enacts an

11 automatic tax to make up for lost revenue for TIF  
12 districts to make them whole again. Now, most of the  
13 districts in Allen County are either projects--or  
14 areas where we're using funding projects on a cash  
15 basis or where it's sort of an intergover--  
16 intergovernmental loan between the Commissioners and  
17 the Redevelopment Commission. Most of those areas we  
18 have good cash flow, we're able to, you know, we're  
19 looking pretty good to paying off what we owe you or,  
20 you know, paying for projects as they come along. So  
21 we don't really think we need to tax the citizens of  
22 Allen County additionally to make up for that. We're  
23 doing fine there. The only ones that we want to keep  
24 in place are where we actually have a bond issue  
25 outstanding. That would be the Nestle and General

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1 Motors, and then there's one called "Jackson" that  
2 helps paying for those bonds, and we just feel that  
3 we have a duty to bond holders to collect as much  
4 money as we can.

5 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we approve items two  
6 through seven, and rescind the automatic TIF  
7 replacement levy.

8 ROUSSEAU: Are you just taking it one by one or what  
9 are you doing?

10 BLOOM: No, I'm doing two through seven of the items  
11 that Marla--

12 ROUSSEAU: I second that.

13 BLOOM: --listed.

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

15 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

16 BLOOM: Aye.

17 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Do you have anything  
18 else--

19 BLOOM: Thank you.

20 IRVING: --you'd like to talk to us about this  
21 morning?

22 HARROLD: No, not at this point. Thank you.

23 BLOOM: Thank you.

24 IRVING: Please come visit us more often. Next on  
25 the agenda, item number eight. Plat for signature,

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1 Lakes of Liberty Mills, Section number four, and we  
2 have Stratford Forest, Section number one, and Villa  
3 Nova Estates, Section number two.

4 BLOOM: Boy, that's right--

5 WOODS: That is correct.

6 BLOOM: --through here.

7 WOODS: Good morning.

8 IRVING: Good morning, how are you?

9 WOODS: Fine.

10 IRVING: Would you like us to come down there?

11 WOODS: That'd be fine. Thank you.

12 IRVING: Would you like to tell everyone who you are?

13 WOODS: I am Michelle Woods, Senior Land Use Planner  
14 with the Department of Planning Services. I brought  
15 Commissioner Bloom an alternate pen, since you--

16 BLOOM: Oh, give me a break. Spoil me a little.

17 WOODS: Try that one.

18 BLOOM: Oh, that's a goodie, that's a goodie.

19 WOODS: Well, maybe.  
20 BLOOM: Maybe.  
21 WOODS: Maybe not.  
22 BLOOM: I'll just do this.  
23 WOODS: Let's see, turn this around.  
24 BLOOM: I have to hold them upright.  
25 WOODS: It must not be a lefty either. There you go.

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1 BLOOM: Can we sp--  
2 WOODS: I tried.  
3 BLOOM: Oh, what is with me? It must be--  
4 IRVING: Do we have to have Signing 101?  
5 BLOOM: Well, look. I have to tip them forward.  
6 What the heck?  
7 WOODS: Thank you.  
8 IRVING: Boy, Ed and I both took a gasp when you  
9 started on that one.  
10 WOODS: Do we have the wrong order?  
11 BLOOM: Be nice to me.  
12 IRVING: Did you see Ed and I both go--  
13 WOODS: It worked for me this morning.  
14 BLOOM: See is it just me?  
15 IRVING: Oh, don't tell her that.  
16 ROUSSEAU: It isn't working.  
17 BLOOM: You have to tip it forward.  
18 IRVING: Why don't we sign--Ed, why don't you and I  
19 sign these later.  
20 ROUSSEAU: Yeah.  
21 IRVING: These are not working well.  
22 BLOOM: Actually, I want to see if it works for you.  
23 It won't write, I mean you have to go like this.  
24 ROUSSEAU: How did you do that? It's running out  
25 now.

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1 WOODS: Yeah, the tip--the tip's broke in now.  
2 Well--  
3 ROUSSEAU: Why don't I--let's act like we signed it  
4 now--  
5 WOODS: Okay.  
6 ROUSSEAU: --I'll come up and sign it later when  
7 you--  
8 WOODS: If not then I can come to you.  
9 ROUSSEAU: I really signed all these things.  
10 IRVING: You know, it's Linda that--I should--you  
11 should really feel bad, you broke the pens.  
12 WOODS: Well, I don't know if that's the case.  
13 IRVING: If you'd like to get another one, we'll sign  
14 it or we can come up to the Department of Planning  
15 Services, which ever you like.  
16 WOODS: Very good. Thank you.  
17 IRVING: Thank you.  
18 BLOOM: I did not break it.  
19 IRVING: You didn't break it? Okay. She didn't  
20 break it. Okay, agenda item number nine. Withdrawal  
21 of contract award for the printers. And I think we  
22 can probably use two motions, but we'll cover both  
23 agenda items. Number 10 is award of contract for  
24 printers and equipment for the second half of the  
25 2003 year.

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1 LITTLE: Good morning, Commissioners.

2 BLOOM: Good morning.

3 LITTLE: I'm Bruce Little, Director of Purchasing for  
4 the County. The first item I have is a request that  
5 the Commissioners withdraw their award of contract to  
6 SHEA PC to supply printers and peripheral equipment  
7 to the County for the second half of 2003. When we  
8 contacted SHEA after they had been awarded the  
9 contract and told them the amount of the performance  
10 bond they would need to provide us to enter into the  
11 contract, several weeks went by and we hadn't heard  
12 back from them--hadn't gotten the bond. I contacted  
13 the salesman who told me management had decided not  
14 to get the bond, that they were hoping, when they had  
15 put in their bid, to receive the contract not just  
16 for the printers, but for the PCs as well--

17 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

18 LITTLE: --that they had really only bid on the  
19 printers as a throw away--like a loss leader item to  
20 help get the PC bid. Failing to get the PC bid, they  
21 said the cost of the bond would end up costing them  
22 money, and they weren't gonna make any money at all  
23 and just lose money on the contract. When the  
24 salesman inquired as to whether or not this would  
25 jeopardize future business dealings with the County,

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1 I told him it probably would. He said he'd get back  
2 to his management and see if they still wanted to  
3 walk away from the contract. He never got back to  
4 me. I wrote him a letter putting him on notice, and  
5 I still haven't heard. So I'm asking that we  
6 withdraw that contract offer from SHEA and award the  
7 contract for the printers for the second half to the  
8 second place bidder, and that's Global Computer  
9 Supply.

10 IRVING: Okay, I'll entertain a motion to withdraw  
11 the contract for--the awarded contract for the  
12 printers.

13 ROUSSEAU: So moved.

14 BLOOM: Second.

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

16 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

17 BLOOM: Aye.

18 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. And I'll entertain a  
19 motion to award the contract for the printers to  
20 Global.

21 BLOOM: So moved.

22 ROUSSEAU: Second.

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

24 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

25 BLOOM: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.

2 LITTLE: Okay, thank you.

3 BLOOM: Thanks.

4 IRVING: Thank you very much, Bruce.

5 LITTLE: Sure.

6 IRVING: Approval of contract between Fort Wayne and  
7 Allen County Airport Authority and Allen County for  
8 provision of aerial orthophotography. Well, hello,  
9 Alex.



10 WERNHER: Hello.  
11 BLOOM: Good morning, Alex.  
12 WERNHER: Good morning. My name's Alex Wernher, I'm  
13 the Director of iMAP, and this contract represents  
14 one of three we hope to secure to help pay for the  
15 2003 reflight of our aerial photography. So it's  
16 with the Airport Authority and--  
17 BLOOM: And would you like to tell us the dollar  
18 amount, please?  
19 WERNHER: \$2,500.00.  
20 BLOOM: And I'll make a motion that we accept the  
21 contract between the Airport Authority and Allen  
22 County.  
23 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
24 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
25 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

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1 BLOOM: Aye.  
2 IRVING: Aye.  
3 WERNHER: Great.  
4 IRVING: Motion carried.  
5 WERNHER: Thank you very much.  
6 BLOOM: Thanks.  
7 IRVING: Thank you very much, Alex. Change Order,  
8 the Allen County Juvenile Justice Center. Sheets  
9 Change Order number 26 for \$10,876.00, and VFP Fire  
10 Systems for \$1,112.19. The 10,000 [\$10,876.00] for  
11 Sheets is to provide three Hope Series Security  
12 Windows in the Interview Testing Center, and the  
13 \$1,112.19 is for eight sprinkler heads to be replaced  
14 because they were in the pri--the location of them  
15 was in the fluorescent area, so--  
16 BLOOM: I'll make a motion we accept the two change  
17 orders for the Juvenile Justice Center.  
18 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
19 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
20 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
21 BLOOM: Aye.  
22 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Thank you very much.  
23 Approve Change Order number 18 on Coldwater Road,  
24 from Cook to Dupont Roads, between Brooks  
25 Construction and Allen County for \$3,975.00, and it

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1 is an increase.  
2 BLOOM: And I'll make a motion that we accept the  
3 increase--  
4 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
5 BLOOM: --Change Order number 18.  
6 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
7 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
8 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
9 BLOOM: Aye.  
10 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approve increasing  
11 maximum load limit on Edsall Avenue Bridge, number  
12 551, over Norfolk Southern Railroad, between Reynolds  
13 Street and McDonald Street, from six tons to 12 tons.  
14 I think there's something you wanted to add on that  
15 one. No?  
16 BLOOM: Don't go there.  
17 IRVING: Okay, I'll entertain a motion.  
18 BLOOM: So moved.

19 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
20 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
21 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
22 BLOOM: Aye.  
23 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Now, since you  
24 decided to join us, Mr. Fitch, we'll let--  
25 BLOOM: Ooh, the next one's--

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1 IRVING: --you introduce yourself.  
2 FITCH: Good morning. Mike Fitch, Allen County  
3 Highway Department.  
4 IRVING: Okay.  
5 BLOOM: And the next one's a really good one.  
6 IRVING: Approval of agreement with INDOT--sit down,  
7 contain yourself--for the Aboite Center Road  
8 Guardrail Extension project. Total estimated cost is  
9 \$16,000.00, and it's a 50/50 payment with INDOT and  
10 Allen County.  
11 BLOOM: Yes.  
12 IRVING: Way to go, Commissioner Bloom.  
13 BLOOM: This is good. We wanted to extend the  
14 guardrail on the new bridge out there and INDOT  
15 seemed to think that what we had was adequate. We're  
16 doing it as a safety issue, but they have decided  
17 that they will help us with the cost 50/50. Way to  
18 go, Mike. I'll make a motion, please.  
19 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
20 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
21 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
22 BLOOM: Aye.  
23 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Mr. Fitch, is there  
24 anything else that you would like to add?  
25 FITCH: That's all I have--is--

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1 IRVING: Thank you very much.  
2 FITCH: --three items today.  
3 IRVING: Under Other Business the department--  
4 BLOOM: Thanks.  
5 ROUSSEAU: Stick around.  
6 IRVING: Yeah, we need you to stay here. Not right  
7 here, unless you want to take over the Board of  
8 Health here.  
9 FITCH: Okay.  
10 IRVING: Other Business, Department of Health, the  
11 Drug Free Workplace Certification.  
12 ELSER: To receive their funds from the Indiana State  
13 Department of Health the--their local health  
14 maintenance funds, Fort Wayne, Allen County  
15 Department of Health would like to have you certify  
16 their Drug Free Workplace Certification.  
17 BLOOM: So moved.  
18 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
19 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
20 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
21 BLOOM: Aye.  
22 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Entertain a motion to  
23 waive the 2nd Reading on any matters that have come--  
24 ROUSSEAU: So moved.  
25 IRVING: --before us today.

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1 BLOOM: Second.  
 2 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
 3 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
 4 BLOOM: Aye.  
 5 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Do we have any  
 6 comments from the public today? (No response.) Any  
 7 comments from the public? (No response.) Hearing  
 8 none, have a nice week and we'll see you next  
 9 Wednesday. Thank you.

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 11 (Adjourned 10:25 a.m.)  
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4 4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

5 5 I, Alan R. Bunn, a Notary Public in and for  
 6 6 the State of Indiana, County of Allen, do hereby  
 7 7 certify that the above and foregoing is a true and  
 8 8 accurate transcript of the Board of Commissioners of  
 9 9 the County of Allen, Legislative Session, held before  
 10 10 me on September 10, 2003 in the Allen County  
 11 11 Commissioner's Courtroom, Room 200, City-County  
 12 12 Building, 1 East Main Street, Fort Wayne, Allen  
 13 13 County, Indiana; that I am not related to, employed  
 14 14 by or interested in any of the parties to this cause  
 15 15 of action.

16 16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my  
 17 17 hand and seal this 12th day of September, 2003.

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 20 20 Alan R. Bunn, Notary Public  
 21 21 Residing in Allen County, Indiana

22 22 My Commission Expires:  
 23 23 October 23, 2010  
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