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10 NOVEMBER 5, 2003  
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3 Linda K. Bloom Allen County Commissioner  
4 Edwin J. Rousseau Allen County Commissioner  
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6 Susan Elser Allen County Board of  
Commissioner's Office  
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8 Mary Hitchens Allen County Public  
Information Department  
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10 Bruce Little Allen County Purchasing  
Department  
11 G. William Fishing Allen County Counsel  
12 Steve Poulson Community Corrections  
13 Joseph Hoffman Construction Control  
14 Michael Fitch Allen County Highway  
Department  
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16 Ed Steenman IT Specialist  
17 Tera Klutz Allen County Auditor's  
Office  
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19 Paula Hughes County Council  
20 Rhonda M. Mullholand Rolf Reporting, Inc.

21 Larry Banks Allen County Public Library  
 22 Kevin Leininger News Sentinel  
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- C) Morgan Creek Addition, Section 1
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  - 3) Morgan Creek Drive

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1 IRVING: Good morning, and welcome to the Wednesday,  
2 Allen County Commissioner's Legislation. Today is  
3 November 5th, 2003. Commissioner Rousseau, would you  
4 like to lead us in the Pledge, and a moment of  
5 silence for our Allen County serviceman that was  
6 killed in the helicopter flight last week.

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

9 ROUSSEAU: Thank you.

10 IRVING: Thank you very much. Approval of the  
11 minutes of the October 29th Legislative Session.

12 ROUSSEAU: So moved.

13 BLOOM: Second.

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

15 BLOOM: Aye.

16 IRVING: Aye.

17 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

18 IRVING: The Allen County War Memorial Coliseum  
19 Change Order #13--

20 ROUSSEAU: I have a "defer" written down here.

21 IRVING: --yeah, is being deferred until the November  
22 12th meeting. Do we need a motion to defer that?

23 ROUSSEAU: I'll make a motion we defer it until next  
24 week.

25 BLOOM: Second.

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1 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."

2 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

3 BLOOM: Aye.

4 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Contract approval  
5 between PropertyBureau.com and Allen County for  
6 disposition services. Good morning, Bruce.

7 BLOOM: Hi, Bruce.

8 LITTLE: Good morning, Commissioners. I'm asking you  
9 this morning to approve a contract between the Allen  
10 County Board of Commissioners and PropertyBureau.com,  
11 in order for them to provide disposal services for  
12 the County's surplus property through an internet  
13 based auction service. The--the only fee to us comes  
14 in the form of a commission that they will charge for  
15 everything that they do sell for us. In addition to  
16 the sales services, they also refurbish any equipment  
17 that we send to them, in order to help maximize the  
18 return on the equipment that we're selling.

19 BLOOM: And this will be in place of?

20 LITTLE: Well, I--I don't know that it would be  
21 completely in place of. What we've always done is  
22 held our own auctions out at the voting machine barn,  
23 and we may still, depending on the equipment that

24 we're selling, we may still continue to hold our  
25 auctions as we feel might best benefit the County.

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1 This is not an exclusive contract, we still have the  
2 right to hold our own sales. I want to get into this  
3 a little bit cautiously at first, and see how it  
4 works out, but this is a service that the City of  
5 Indianapolis Police Department has been using for a  
6 couple of years and they are satisfied customers.  
7 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we approve the  
8 contract between Property Bureau and Allen County.  
9 ROUSSEAU: Second.

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

11 BLOOM: Aye.

12 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

13 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.

14 LITTLE: Okay.

15 BLOOM: Thank you.

16 LITTLE: Thank you.

17 IRVING: Thank you, Bruce. Contract approval  
18 between--oh, we just did that--contract approval  
19 between Northwest Allen County Schools and Allen  
20 County. Well, I guess--

21 FISHERING: I can--but I thought you said you were  
22 going to.

23 IRVING: --I will talk on that.

24 FISHERING: --but I thought you said you were going  
25 to.

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1 IRVING: Well, that's fine, it doesn't make any  
2 difference. This contract is pretty exciting. Dr.  
3 Yeager, with Northwest Allen School Systems, and  
4 myself, have been working on this contract for  
5 approximately a year, when our new Yoder House was  
6 built. And, we announced last week, our County  
7 Attorney--would you like to introduce yourself?

8 FISHERING: Bill Fishering.

9 IRVING: And, their--

10 FISHERING: Attorney, John Bloom.

11 IRVING: --their attorney, John Bloom, approved the  
12 contract. And, what we are doing is that, with the  
13 help of the Highway Department, and their employees,  
14 and Commissioner Bloom, we built a new parking lot,  
15 with 24 spaces. It is the optimum learning center.  
16 And, this is for students that have trouble learning  
17 in a controlled environment. They work half day,  
18 they go to school half day. It has been a real hand-  
19 in-glove situation because there are some courses  
20 that these students have to take, where they need  
21 like a science lab, or something.

22 I attended the board meeting last--

23 FISHERING: Monday.

24 IRVING: --Monday night, and it was unanimous. The  
25 praises that we got, for the cooperative effort,

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1 between Northwest Allen and the Commissioners, was  
2 unbelievable, it was very humbling, in fact. And, it  
3 takes a facility that we no longer have a use for,  
4 and keep it operational, and at no cost to us. In  
5 fact, Northwest Allen is paying us \$1.00 a semester.

6 FISHERING: For use.

7 IRVING: Is there anything you'd like to add--

8 FISHERING: The first year of the agreement, we will  
9 continue to be responsible for maintenance.

10 Thereafter, they will be responsible for all  
11 maintenance. For Commissioner Rousseau, it is  
12 roughly a triple net lease after the first year.  
13 But, for the first year, if there are repairs that  
14 come up, we would be responsible for it. It is,  
15 initially, a one year agreement, with a one year  
16 option to extend. And, assuming that we have no  
17 other use come up for that building, I assume we  
18 would continue to renew that lease thereafter.

19 IRVING: And they are paying all the utility costs--

20 FISHERING: Yes, they are paying all the utilities.

21 IRVING: --all the other costs.

22 FISHERING: The maintenance is the only thing we've  
23 agreed to take care of for the first year, because  
24 they've not been in the building, and they don't know  
25 what might come up, and we have been.

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1 BLOOM: Right.

2 IRVING: Right.

3 FISHERING: But, after the first year, if they elect  
4 to renew, the maintenance, all the structural  
5 maintenance, electric, plumbing, will fall to them.

6 IRVING: This program, and I--when Dr. Yeager first  
7 brought it to my attention, I--I really had not been  
8 involved with it, but basically it is students--high  
9 school students that are at great risk of dropping  
10 out of school. These are not students that have been  
11 in trouble, it's--it's just students that have  
12 trouble learning in a controlled environment and need  
13 a--more of a one-to-one situation. And, they have  
14 one teacher, and one aide, and they are going to  
15 provide all the furniture, the computers--I mean,  
16 basically, it is just a fantastic fit, also with  
17 Youth Services, because Northwest Allen helps us a  
18 lot with the Kryder House, and Yoder House,  
19 participants that we have.

20 BLOOM: And tell them how many students can be  
21 involved.

22 IRVING: Twelve [12] students in the morning, and 12  
23 students in the afternoon. There will never be more  
24 than 24 total, per day. And, we also have handicap  
25 accessible, and we have parking spaces, and so even

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1 if we have a student--or they have a student that  
2 fits into this program, but has some disabilities,  
3 the house is well suited for them. So, may I have a  
4 motion to approve the contract?

5 BLOOM: I'll--

6 ROUSSEAU: So moved.

7 BLOOM: Second.

8 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."

9 BLOOM: Aye.

10 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

11 IRVING: Aye. Thank you very much.

12 FISHERING: Thank you very much.

13 ROUSSEAU: I might go out and take a refresher course  
14 or something.

15 BLOOM: I suggested, when we were out there with the  
16 school system, that with all the work you have done  
17 out there to enhance this program, that certainly  
18 there were going to be other school systems that were  
19 going to want--

20 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

21 BLOOM: --to be involved. I did not know East Allen  
22 has two alternate--

23 IRVING: Alternative learning centers?

24 BLOOM: Yeah.

25 IRVING: I--we're--really, Commissioner Bloom, until  
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1 Dr. Yeager brought it up, I really had not become  
2 that acc--I didn't know anything about it. But, just  
3 a minor example, they have a student that--he cannot  
4 sit in a desk. You know, you put him in a recliner--  
5 no, I'm not talking about my husband, but you put him  
6 in a recliner, and, I mean, he--he gets straight As.  
7 You put him in a regular desk situ--

8 BLOOM: Put him in a recliner?

9 IRVING: --right, you put him in a regular desk and--  
10 and his attention span is not there, and he cannot  
11 learn.

12 BLOOM: He'll start out as an executive.

13 IRVING: Or as a well seasoned husband with a  
14 clicker, I don't know which.

15 ROUSSEAU: I shouldn't have--

16 IRVING: My husband's gonna hear this, and he's going  
17 to say, "Marla, how could you have done this to me?"  
18 Any other discussion? I've done my own--

19 ROUSSEAU: I'll just get in trouble.

20 IRVING: That's right. Okay, agenda item number  
21 five, Community Corrections, software upgrade for the  
22 Access Control Systems, \$5,823.52. Good morning,  
23 Steve, how are you?

24 POULSON: Good morning, Commissioners. I'm Steve  
25 Poulson, the Center Administrator for Allen County  
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1 Community Corrections, and I'm here today to ask  
2 permission to spend money from our annual Department  
3 of Corrections Grant to upgrade our security control  
4 software on an emergency basis. Prior to the last  
5 Data Board meeting, the evening before our last Data  
6 Board meeting, the system crashed. It has continued  
7 to crash on a weekly basis, after being repaired,  
8 including again last night, which causes us to have  
9 to use duct tape to hold our front door open, and  
10 actually disassemble the door in the evening if we  
11 need to lock it to fiddle with the electronics, to--  
12 to do that. So, we're not asking for any money from  
13 the County General Fund, this is strictly a software  
14 upgrade, which they assure me will address the  
15 problem. We'd already ordered a couple of computers,  
16 I think one of the last times that I was here, which  
17 luckily were going to go into our communications  
18 area, which will handle the new software, those are  
19 already in place, and I installed those over the  
20 weekend.

21 IRVING: And we need to make--we need to make sure  
22 that we keep all the enhancements for this software,



23 because that's one of the--the things, that as we  
24 started delving into this, and I want to take my hat  
25 off to Ed Steenman, who worked very hard on this,

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1 too, with Steve, that there were some enhancements to  
2 the software that we were unable to run. So, this is  
3 just another example of--of how we need to make sure  
4 that we keep these type of technology up, because it  
5 ends up costing us in the long run.

6 POULSON: We are actually four versions of software  
7 behind their current version. And, then the next  
8 thing that I'll--

9 BLOOM: Really?

10 POULSON: --yeah, they--went I called them--because  
11 the prob--or, the--the program has run perfectly,  
12 virtually, for the last three years, until three  
13 weeks ago, and then we started having these problems.

14 BLOOM: So, we've not moving up, we're actually going  
15 to the one that should be used now?

16 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

17 POULSON: Yes.

18 BLOOM: Okay.

19 POULSON: Yeah, we're going to the--to the most--

20 BLOOM: Recent, yeah.

21 POULSON: --current version, and then I will also,  
22 after this, take it to the Data Board, at their next  
23 meeting, a request for annual support for those  
24 ongoing upgrades.

25 BLOOM: Okay. So moved.

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1 ROUSSEAU: Second

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

3 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

4 BLOOM: Aye.

5 IRVING: Aye. Thank you very much, Steve.

6 BLOOM: Thanks.

7 IRVING: Good luck. Change orders for the Allen  
8 County Justice Center, Weigand Construction, Change  
9 Order #45, #46; one is for \$28,145.42, and the other  
10 one is for \$5,726.70.

11 BLOOM: Good morning, Joe.

12 HOFFMAN: Good morning.

13 IRVING: Good morning, Joe.

14 HOFFMAN: Joe Hoffman with Construction Control.

15 IRVING: Is that the hot seat today?

16 HOFFMAN: What, this?

17 IRVING: Is that the hot seat you're in today?

18 HOFFMAN: This seat?

19 BLOOM: It's Joe's seat.

20 IRVING: Okay.

21 BLOOM: Please explain these to us.

22 HOFFMAN: The first change order has to do with the  
23 requirements of INDOT along Clinton Street, and then  
24 the City requirements, the upgrade on the thickness  
25 of the sidewalks, and the reenforcing along Superior

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1 and Calhoun Streets.

2 BLOOM: I have reviewed this, and I've approved it,  
3 and I'll make a motion that we accept the concrete  
4 work at the Justice Center.

5 ROUSSEAU: Second.

6 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."

7 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

8 BLOOM: Aye.

9 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. This is what I meant  
10 about the "hot seat," the change order for Allen  
11 County Juvenile Justice Center.

12 BLOOM: Well, actually, we have another one.

13 IRVING: W--oh, I'm sorry, you didn't do them both  
14 together? I apologize.

15 BLOOM: No, I only did the one.

16 IRVING: Okay, I'm sorry, do the Weigand  
17 Construction, Change Order #46 then.

18 BLOOM: This is to provide Locust trees on Calhoun,  
19 to replace the trees removed for construction, and a  
20 mechanical edge dock leveler. And, I'll make a  
21 motion we approve this.

22 ROUSSEAU: Second.

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

24 BLOOM: Aye.

25 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Now, we come to the  
2 change order for the Allen County Juvenile Justice  
3 Center, W.A. Sheets--

4 BLOOM: Do you want these?

5 IRVING: No, Joe's going to talk about these.

6 BLOOM: Okay.

7 IRVING: W.A. Sheets, Change Order #19, for  
8 \$115,154.00; L.A. Electric has Change Order #28 and  
9 #29, one for \$2,410.00, the other for \$1,262.00;  
10 Wayne Asphalt for \$4,750.00, and VFP Fire Systems,  
11 Change Order #07, for \$490.00.

12 HOFFMAN: The first change order, for W.A. Sheets,  
13 Change Order #19, represents the removal and  
14 replacement with compactable material on Walleywood  
15 Avenue. We started the--the construction of the new  
16 street there, at the west end, we got into brick,  
17 wood, some green matter, some--

18 BLOOM: Green matter?

19 HOFFMAN: --green matter, which was not contaminated,  
20 it just turned out to be some organic stuff. As we--

21 IRVING: Goo gone.

22 HOFFMAN: --as we progressed up the street, it got  
23 worse, there were some good sections, and some bad  
24 sections. What this represents is to cut out all the  
25 unsuitable material, bring in stone, bring it back up

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1 to compaction to City standards. We did look at  
2 possibly using a geo tech fabric, but that would not  
3 work with the amount of rubble that we encountered.

4 IRVING: You had telephone poles in there, too,  
5 didn't you?

6 HOFFMAN: We had telephone poles and--

7 IRVING: And a half of a car?

8 HOFFMAN: --some car parts, and some met--some metal  
9 drums, I--

10 BLOOM: Really?

11 HOFFMAN: --it's pretty indicative of the rest of the  
12 site, it just continued up. There were a couple--

13 IRVING: What would you expect--

14 HOFFMAN: --small good sections, but--  
15 IRVING: --what would you expect underneath a street  
16 called Wallywood? Is this a shock? I mean, I don't  
17 know how that name ever came about, but--  
18 BLOOM: I think it's kind of cute.  
19 IRVING: Okay, Joe, go right ahead.  
20 HOFFMAN: L.A. Electric, Change Order #28, represents  
21 the additional lighting for the flagpole, two  
22 in-ground light fixtures for the flag pole.  
23 BLOOM: Okay.  
24 HOFFMAN: Change Order #29, for L.A. Electric,  
25 represents some fusible disconnects that were

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1 required by the upgraded kitchen equipment drawings,  
2 plus a phase change from a single to a three phase.  
3 Wayne Asphalt represents some additional stone and  
4 asphalt at the media location, and also some overlay  
5 at the North Wells Service Center, to make that  
6 parking area adjacent with the new Walleywood  
7 surface. If not, we would have had a difference  
8 between the two.

9 BLOOM: Huh.  
10 HOFFMAN: The last one, from VFP, is actually a  
11 replacement of those hose station that was damaged by  
12 a contract, and we've already written a deduct change  
13 order to replace this. So, there's--

14 BLOOM: Okay.  
15 HOFFMAN: --the County's not spending any money, it's  
16 one change order added, one change to delete it back  
17 out.

18 BLOOM: Okay. I'll make a motion we accept the  
19 change orders for the Juvenile Justice Center.

20 ROUSSEAU: Second.

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

22 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

23 BLOOM: Aye.

24 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Joe, would you like  
25 to take one minute, I know we have set the dedication

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1 for the Juvenile Justice for December 29th, at 10:00  
2 in the morning, that would be the dedication, not the  
3 grand opening.

4 HOFFMAN: Correct.

5 IRVING: When do you foresee the opening of the  
6 facility?

7 HOFFMAN: The actual use by the owner?

8 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

9 HOFFMAN: Probably early to mid February. We're  
10 putting finishes in right now, carpeting will start  
11 probably the end of the week. In the basement, we're  
12 putting vinyl floors in, ceilings, it's--Units A and  
13 B are starting to finish out, terrazzo, some of the  
14 terrazzo is completed.

15 BLOOM: There's going to be vinyl in that building?

16 HOFFMAN: Vinyl floor tile.

17 IRVING: Vinyl floor.

18 BLOOM: Vinyl?

19 IRVING: Well, only in the basement.

20 HOFFMAN: In the bathrooms.

21 IRVING: The terrazzo is in the--

22 HOFFMAN: Main corridors.

23 BLOOM: I just--I just wondered.  
24 IRVING: Well, you also have terrazzo in the Justice  
25 Center.

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1 BLOOM: Not in the basement.  
2 IRVING: Yes, you do.  
3 HOFFMAN: Yeah. Yes. The elevator lobby of the  
4 basement.  
5 BLOOM: Well, the elevator lobby, just a little--  
6 IRVING: Thank you, Joe.  
7 BLOOM: --teeny tiny area.  
8 IRVING: Have there been any dates, or do you know  
9 when the update on--while we've got you here, the  
10 update on the Justice Center, or the--the jail?  
11 HOFFMAN: Justice Center, we're--as you see, a lot of  
12 landscaping's going in. They planted most of the  
13 sod. The trees are completed. They're putting mulch  
14 down this morning. The kitchen, we've got some punch  
15 list items to wrap up, waiting on one more piece of  
16 equipment, that will open up. Other than that we're  
17 just doing some fine-tuning with the security stuff  
18 in the building.  
19 BLOOM: So, how soon?  
20 HOFFMAN: We hope to bring them in the kitchen in two  
21 weeks, assuming that piece of equipment shows up, and  
22 then that will release us into the old jail to start  
23 demolition of the old kitchen and laundry area.  
24 BLOOM: That's the problem, yeah.  
25 IRVING: Great. Okay. Joe, we always appreciate you

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1 coming.  
2 HOFFMAN: Thank you.  
3 BLOOM: Thanks.  
4 IRVING: Thank you. Approve and award quotation bid  
5 for Project #03-302, Monroeville Road at State Road  
6 101, radius widening, to Benchmark Construction,  
7 total award of \$15,790.00. Good morning, Mike.  
8 BLOOM: Hi, Mike.  
9 FITCH: Good morning. Mike Fitch, Allen County  
10 Highway. This project is in cooperation with CME  
11 Corporation. They're doing some expansion, and are  
12 going to be adding a lot of new truck traffic to this  
13 intersection, and we're widening the radius out to  
14 make it easier for the trucks to enter the plant.  
15 ROUSSEAU: Part of our incentive program.  
16 BLOOM: Absolutely. So moved.  
17 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
18 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."  
19 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
20 IRVING: Aye.  
21 BLOOM: Aye. Motion carried. Approve and award bid  
22 reference #33-03, traffic control materials and  
23 supplies for 2004 to the following: Hall Signs,  
24 Incorporation, a total award of \$20,000.00 more or  
25 less; 3M Company, total award \$25,000.00 more or

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1 less; Osburn Associates, Incorporated, total award  
2 \$32,000.00 more or less; and Mike Green,  
3 Incorporated, total award \$8,000.00 more or less.  
4 BLOOM: So moved.

5 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
6 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."  
7 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
8 BLOOM: Aye.  
9 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Award "Snow and Ice  
10 Control Winter Policy" for the Allen County Highway  
11 Department. We're not going to have any, though,  
12 this year.  
13 FITCH: We hope not.  
14 IRVING: Okay.  
15 FITCH: Just a little bit.  
16 BLOOM: When is that meeting?  
17 FITCH: Tomorrow morning.  
18 BLOOM: That's--I'm gonna be there.  
19 FITCH: That will be a meeting with all the Sheriff's  
20 Department, and the school officials.  
21 BLOOM: Yeah.  
22 FITCH: We have an annual meeting each year to cover  
23 all the bases and make sure everybody's well informed  
24 of what the emergency procedures are, and who needs  
25 to be contacted, and--

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1 IRVING: Right.  
2 FITCH: --make sure we have a good--  
3 BLOOM: And, you actually--is this the continuation  
4 of the prior policies, is this a brand new policy?  
5 I've seen--  
6 FITCH: This is a continuation--we have a separate  
7 policy at the Highway Department, it basically  
8 reviews the--our internal procedures. Again, this is  
9 separate from the snow and ice emergency level of--  
10 and notification--  
11 BLOOM: Right.  
12 FITCH: --which the Commissioners issue--  
13 BLOOM: Right.  
14 FITCH: --a Level 1, 2, and 3. That--that policy is  
15 still in effect, and we will be sending out a news  
16 release each year to get that information in the news  
17 media so that everybody understands what a Level 1, a  
18 Level 2, and a Level 3 is.  
19 BLOOM: Great. Communicating is good. I'll make a  
20 motion we approve the "Snow and Ice Control Winter  
21 Policy."  
22 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
23 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."  
24 BLOOM: Aye.  
25 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Susan, would you like  
2 to read into the record the approval for street  
3 acceptances and maintenance bonds for the following  
4 subdivisions and streets.  
5 ELSER: Cherry Hill Addition, Section II, Mangrove  
6 Lane and Grayhawk Drive; Coves of Morgan Creek  
7 Addition, Aspen Glow Lane, Morgan Creek Drive, and  
8 Blue Sage Cove; Morgan Creek Addition, Section I,  
9 Anglers Lane, Black Bear Drive, Morgan Creek Drive;  
10 Morgan Creek addition, Section II, Aspen Glow Lane,  
11 Black Bear Drive, Christie Cove; Seven Oaks Addition,  
12 Section VI, Caledon Place, Moonflower Place, Knollton  
13 Run, and Water Wheel Run; and Timberon Addition,

14 Section II, Keady Run, Limerick Place, Killarney  
15 Place, Maywin Drive; and the last one is Jimson  
16 Drive.  
17 BLOOM: So moved.  
18 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
19 FITCH: I have one addition to that. It's in your  
20 packet here, but it was missed from the agenda. It's  
21 Seven Oaks, Section VII, Moonflower Place.  
22 BLOOM: So moved.  
23 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
24 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."  
25 BLOOM: Aye.

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1 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
2 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
3 BLOOM: Anything else, Mike?  
4 FITCH: That's all I have. Thank you very much.  
5 Have a good day.  
6 IRVING: Thank you very much.  
7 BLOOM: Thanks.  
8 IRVING: Do we have any other business?  
9 ELSER: We have no other business.  
10 ROUSSEAU: I make a motion to approve to waive the  
11 2nd reading on any matter approved today and for  
12 which it may be deemed necessary by--for the  
13 Legislative Session of November 5th, 2003.  
14 BLOOM: Second.  
15 IRVING: All in favor say, "aye."  
16 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
17 BLOOM: Aye.  
18 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Before we get  
19 comments from the public, the County Commissioners  
20 would like to congratulate last night's winners,  
21 Mayor Graham Richards, City Clerk Sandy Kennedy, the  
22 three at-large candidates, John Crawford, Sam  
23 Talarico, and John Shoaff, and our District  
24 Councilmen, which are Don Schmidt, Tom Smith, Dr.  
25 Hayhurst, Tom Didier, Glynn Hines, and Tim Pape. The

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1 Commissioners are always looking forward to working  
2 with the City on projects, and--  
3 BLOOM: Absolutely.  
4 IRVING: --we want to publicly congratulate them on  
5 their victories. Anything you'd like to add with  
6 that?  
7 ROUSSEAU: Well, I think that the--there's several  
8 things that have come up somewhat recently about the  
9 --saving money, we're looking into cooperation, and  
10 so forth, on some of these projects, one was a two  
11 million dollar thing which we didn't really get to  
12 pursue, and the other thing was a little over  
13 \$100,000.00. And, I think we can take that up now,  
14 in this kind of an atmosphere, better than prior to  
15 the elections, so--  
16 IRVING: Commissioner Bloom, anything you'd like to  
17 add?  
18 BLOOM: No. I'm looking forward to doing our joint  
19 projects, and communicating with the City. Right  
20 now, I always like to share with the people that we  
21 do do joint projects, I was out on Freeman, between

22 Taylor and Covington, we did not have the adequate  
23 equipment for the project under the culvert, and the  
24 City brought in their big equipment. We would have  
25 had to lease some, and they brought theirs in. This

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1 happens all the time, regardless of what people  
2 think, that we don't have a communication and a--an  
3 effort here from both sides. We certainly do in a  
4 lot of infrastructure projects, especially the  
5 bridges. And, I just wanted to make that a known  
6 statement, and good luck to all of them.  
7 IRVING: Okay. How about some comments from the  
8 public? (No response.) Are there any comments from  
9 the public today? (No response.) Hearing none,  
10 please have a nice week. Thank you.

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12 (Adjourned 10:35 a.m.)  
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1 STATE OF INDIANA )  
2 ) SS:  
3 COUNTY OF ALLEN )

4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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

16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my  
17 hand and seal this 6th day of November, 2003.  
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20 Rhonda M. Mullholand, Notary Public  
21 Residing in Allen County, Indiana

22 My Commission Expires:  
June 21, 2009