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7 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
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10 DECEMBER 17, 2003  
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15 DATE: December 17, 2003  
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Commissioners Courtroom  
20 City-County Building  
1 East Main Street  
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802  
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1 PRESENT:  
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4 Linda K. Bloom Allen County Commissioner  
5 Susan Elser Allen County Commissioners'  
 Office  
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 Information Department  
8 Randy Brown General Manager, Allen  
 County War Memorial  
9 Coliseum  
10 Jerry Noble MSKTD  
11 Brian Dumford Allen County Human Resources  
12 Irene Waikel Allen County  
 Building Department  
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14 Ben Adams Schnelker Engineering/  
 Regional Water & Sewer  
15 Michelle Wood Allen County Department  
 of Planning Services  
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17 Bob Thiele ACS  
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19 Lisa Blosser Allen County Auditor

19 Alex Wernher Allen County GIS  
 20 Joshua Burkhardt Beers, Mallers,  
 21 Paula Hughes Backs & Salin  
 22 Ed Steenman Allen County Council  
 23 G. William Fishering Allen County IT Coordinator  
 24 Sandra Flum Allen County Counsel  
 Allen County  
 Legislative Liaison

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 2 Michael Fitch Director, Allen County  
 Highway Department  
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 4 Alan R. Bunn Rolf Reporting, Inc.  
 5 Kevin Leninger News Sentinel  
 6 Dan Stockman Journal Gazette

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 1 IRVING: Good morning, and welcome to the December  
 2 17th Commissioner's Legislative Session.  
 3 Commissioner Rousseau, would you like to lead us in  
 4 the pledge and a moment of silence?  
 5 (At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance  
 6 was recited by all, and a moment of  
 7 silence was recognized.)  
 8 ROUSSEAU: Thank you.  
 9 IRVING: Thank you. Approval of the Minutes of the  
 10 December 10th Legislative Session, please.  
 11 ROUSSEAU: So move.  
 12 BLOOM: Second.  
 13 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
 14 BLOOM: Aye.  
 15 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

16 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Issue of Warrants by  
17 the Indiana Bond Bank. Good morning.  
18 FISHERING: Commissioners.  
19 BLOOM: Good morning.  
20 FISHERING: My name's Bill Fishering. I'm the County  
21 attorney. As you know the collection of property  
22 taxes in Allen County has been delayed, and the  
23 County Auditor has been attempting, through the  
24 transfer of funds between available sources, to cover  
25 the shortfall caused by that delay in tax collection

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1 over the last year. Because of the continued delay,  
2 though, it will be impossible to do that without  
3 doing what's commonly referred to as "tax  
4 anticipation warrants." The County Council approved  
5 the issuance of tax anticipation warrants at it's  
6 meeting last week. It is now before you to also  
7 approve those tax anticipation warrants, and approve  
8 the execution of the purchase agreement with the Bond  
9 Bank, and authorize the execution of closing  
10 documents.

11 You all investigated tax anticipation  
12 warrants last fall, particularly a discussion about  
13 whether it was more advantageous to privately place  
14 them for the County or to go through the Bond Bank.  
15 Your financial advisor reviewed that and opined, at  
16 the time, that the Bond Bank program was the most  
17 advantageous way to go. I have no reason to  
18 disbelieve that. The Bond Bank documents which are  
19 before you are pretty much of the standard form as is  
20 somewhat typical. You never know the costs or the  
21 final interest rate until the actual Bond Bank issue  
22 goes through, so there is somewhat of a question  
23 going on there, but as I said, your financial advisor  
24 has recommended that this is the most advantageous  
25 program for short-term.

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1 BLOOM: Okay.  
2 ROUSSEAU: There was a page that I noticed there  
3 that--I had a question whether it was one signature  
4 or three signatures.

5 FISHERING: Yes. In the long run that will be one  
6 signature--

7 ROUSSEAU: Oh.

8 FISHERING: --but it's undetermined yet whether it  
9 will be the auditor's signature or your signature.

10 ROUSSEAU: Oh.

11 FISHERING: Because it's a certification as to the  
12 borrowing amount, and I suspect it will be the fiscal  
13 auditor that actually signs that document.

14 ROUSSEAU: Okay.

15 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we approve the  
16 Warrants by the Indiana Bond Bank.

17 ROUSSEAU: Second it.

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

19 BLOOM: Aye.

20 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

21 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.

22 ROUSSEAU: I think the key here is--

23 BLOOM: The total--what's the total?

24 ROUSSEAU: --the Bond Bank seems to be more  
25 appropriate for a short-term--

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1 FISHERING: Yes.  
2 ROUSSEAU: --bond investment than the longer--the  
3 longer term--and it would look, at this point, to be  
4 better to go the other type of bonding.  
5 FISHERING: I would also ask that you waive the 2nd  
6 Reading now of that.  
7 ROUSSEAU: I so move.  
8 BLOOM: Second.  
9 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
10 BLOOM: Aye.  
11 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
12 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
13 BLOOM: Bill, what is the total on this?  
14 FISHERING: It's not to exceed 21 million something.  
15 I don't remember the exact number.  
16 BLOSSER: Do you want the exact number?  
17 BLOOM: Please.  
18 BLOSSER: 21 million--  
19 IRVING: Well, before--we need to have you come up  
20 here--  
21 BLOSSER: Sorry.  
22 IRVING: --and tell us who you are.  
23 BLOOM: Good morning.  
24 BLOSSER: Good morning.  
25 IRVING: Good morning.

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1 BLOSSER: Lisa Blosser, Allen County Auditor, and the  
2 amount is not to exceed \$21,343,689.00. And we don't  
3 borrow this all in January, we can draw down--  
4 BLOOM: Right.  
5 BLOSSER: --from this amount, so--  
6 BLOOM: Right. To be paid--  
7 BLOSSER: --the Bond Bank's working with us.  
8 BLOOM: --back this year.  
9 BLOSSER: Correct.  
10 FISHERING: Before December 31st--  
11 BLOSSER: Right.  
12 BLOOM: Right.  
13 FISHERING: --as I recall the document.  
14 BLOSSER: 2004.  
15 BLOOM: Well, next year.  
16 ROUSSEAU: Is this for--for this year or next year?  
17 BLOOM: Next year.  
18 FISHERING: Next year. Two thousand and--  
19 BLOSSER: 2004.  
20 FISHERING: --2004. The borrowing actually will  
21 occur, I think it's the 29th of January--  
22 BLOSSER: Of January.  
23 BLOOM: Okay.  
24 FISHERING: --will be the actual closing at the Bond  
25 Bank on the issue is my understanding.

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1 IRVING: When--  
2 BLOOM: I just want the taxpayers to know that that  
3 will be paid back, it's just because the--  
4 BLOSSER: Cash flow.  
5 BLOOM: --bills are late, and it will be paid back  
6 this--in the year that we borrow.

7 BLOSSER: Correct. It's just because of the delay in  
8 the reassessment.

9 BLOOM: Yes. Yes, thank you.

10 IRVING: Lisa, would you like to add anything about  
11 how you came up with the number?

12 BLOSSER: We have been looking at cash flow since my  
13 first day on the job this year--

14 IRVING: I know.

15 BLOSSER: --and we had a committee that comprised of  
16 a couple of our council people. Councilwoman Paula  
17 Hughes, Councilman Roy Buskirk. Mrs. Irving was also  
18 on our committee for a while, and we've been  
19 monitoring cash for the whole year. We came in to--  
20 thinking we'd probably have to borrow right away in  
21 2003, but--

22 BLOOM: Right.

23 BLOSSER: --with our fund transfer that did not  
24 occur, so I think we've done a pretty good job.

25 BLOOM: I agree.

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1 BLOSSER: But we will have to borrow by the end of  
2 January.

3 BLOOM: I agree. Look how long we've gone. We've  
4 gotten through this year.

5 BLOSSER: Uh-huh (affirmative).

6 BLOOM: Great.

7 IRVING: Okay.

8 FISHERING: Also on--

9 BLOOM: Thank you.

10 FISHERING: --the same subject before you is the  
11 Local Council Contract. You will find that to be  
12 unusual. It's unusual because, typically--

13 BLOOM: Thank you, Lisa.

14 BLOSSER: Thank you.

15 ROUSSEAU: Where?

16 FISHERING: Just--it's laying right in front of  
17 Marla.

18 IRVING: Oh, it's part of this long--

19 FISHERING: Like this--right on--up on the shelf.

20 ROUSSEAU: Oh, here.

21 IRVING: Oh. Are we to sign that too?

22 FISHERING: You will in a minute after you consider  
23 it.

24 IRVING: Okay.

25 ROUSSEAU: I make a motion we--

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1 FISHERING: Well, let me explain the difference--

2 IRVING: Well, maybe he needs to explain it--

3 FISHERING: --so you know first.

4 ROUSSEAU: Well, yeah.

5 IRVING: --so we know what it is.

6 ROUSSEAU: I'm sorry. I've read it before.

7 FISHERING: Yeah. As you know, Beers Mallers is  
8 bond counsel--

9 IRVING: Right.

10 FISHERING: --using the red book, and typically we  
11 perform either both either both the local counsel and  
12 the bond counsel function or we do most of the work  
13 in order to reduce the bond counsel fee--

14 BLOOM: Right.

15 FISHERING: --because we are qualified as National  
16 Bond Counsel, and that generally results in a  
17 significant savings to the County to do it in that  
18 fashion. In this case, there will be very little  
19 work to do because this is run through the Bond Bank.  
20 So I perceive that it more closely paralleled the  
21 bond work that we do for the Redevelopment  
22 Commission, where we do not draft any of the  
23 documents. We don't do any of that work. All we do  
24 is review them, so this is an unusual situation for  
25 us. So I structured this as we structure

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1 Redevelopment Commission bonds, which was a small,  
2 flat fee plus an hourly rate. It should be a  
3 relatively low fee reflecting the significant  
4 reduction in work, as compared to the typical bond  
5 issue that we--or lease purchase that we all do for  
6 you.  
7 BLOOM: Okay.  
8 IRVING: Okay. And do you have any questions?  
9 BLOOM: No, I don't. I also read it.  
10 ROUSSEAU: No. I have no questions. I make a motion  
11 we approve it.  
12 BLOOM: And I'll second that.  
13 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
14 BLOOM: Aye.  
15 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
16 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
17 FISHERING: Thank you very much.  
18 BLOOM: Thank you.  
19 IRVING: Thank you. Agenda item number three.  
20 Addition to the Allen County Code: Title 12  
21 (Financial) Article 90. The Electronic Map Users Fee  
22 Fund. Great.  
23 BLOOM: Good morning.  
24 WERNHER: Good morning, Commissioners.  
25 IRVING: Good morning.

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1 BURKHART: Good morning.  
2 IRVING: Do we want to take both agenda item three  
3 and four together, Alex?  
4 WERNHER: Yes, please.  
5 IRVING: Okay. We'll take agenda item four together  
6 too, which is the contract with Ruckert-Mielke for  
7 the development of Allen County's GIS website for  
8 \$58,990.00. Now, I'll let you introduce yourself.  
9 WERNHER: Thank you. My name is Alex Wernher. I'm  
10 IMAP's director. This is--  
11 BURKHART: I'm Joshua Burkhardt with the law firm  
12 Beers, Mallers, Backs & Salin. I've been working  
13 with Alex Wernher on the IMAP Board on this matter.  
14 WERNHER: And what we have today are two really  
15 exciting agenda items for the IMAP program. For  
16 those of--the public that may not be familiar with  
17 our GIS development, we've been--spent the last three  
18 years developing a base map that is highly accurate.  
19 We have a par--a digital parcel layer that covers the  
20 entire County. It includes tax roll data. It will  
21 include assessor's data. It has boundaries, rights  
22 of way, ownership. We have a digital orthophoto for  
23 the entire County that was flown in 2003. We

24 partnered with the City in that project, with six  
25 inch pixel resolution. So the accuracy of viewing is

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1 extremely accurate. We can see cracks in the  
2 pavement.

3 IRVING: Great.

4 WERNHER: And this is color photography. We have a  
5 digital elevation model that has two foot contours  
6 built off of it with a six inch--

7 IRVING: Has a what?

8 BLOOM: Two foot contours--

9 WERNHER: Two foot contours.

10 IRVING: Oh, great.

11 WERNHER: And what the surveyor's office has been  
12 using and developers have been using in the past are  
13 USGS Topographic Maps with 10 foot contours that are  
14 40 years old. We now have digital two foot contours  
15 for the entire County that are plus or minus six inch  
16 vertical accuracy on the center of the earth. And  
17 then we also have a streets and centerline address--  
18 addressing layer for dispatch that they are currently  
19 using to locate 911 calls, and wireless cell phone  
20 calls. But this project has spanned several years.  
21 It is now coming to completion. We've got the  
22 infrastructure in place to make this data available  
23 to all County departments, to interlocal partners  
24 that contracts agreements that we may enter into, and  
25 to the public. And the IMAP Board has been working

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1 very diligently to make sure that we are able to move  
2 forward--that there is enough market demand to sell  
3 the data, and that's what this particular ordinance  
4 deals with. It will establish a fee structure to the  
5 public based on recommendations from the IMAP Board  
6 and the market study that we have done this past  
7 summer, that will allow us to sell data sets and  
8 generate revenue to support the program moving into  
9 the future.

10 IRVING: And where will these user fee funds--when  
11 they are collected, where will they go?

12 WERNHER: They will go--

13 IRVING: In what account?

14 WERNHER: --into two ordinances or accounts that were  
15 passed by the County Council last week. One is the  
16 Electronic Generation Map Fund, that will support all  
17 digital mapping sales and hold those revenues. The  
18 other fund is Enhanced Access, which allow  
19 subscribers to come in off the internet and view  
20 detailed information. So those are the two funds  
21 that County Council approved, and this is the--the  
22 second piece of the puzzle that will allow us to  
23 actually begin selling data.

24 ROUSSEAU: Are there any more pieces to the puzzle?

25 WERNHER: The last piece that I'm working on right

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1 now is copyrighting our data sets, and that is simply  
2 getting a copy of the data to the federal government  
3 for copyright. And that's--really we're just waiting  
4 now on the media to copy it too. We've got the  
5 hardware to copy those data sets, and we have to fill

6 out the specific copyright forms. And those will be  
7 mailed into the federal government, and they will  
8 return a receipt, at which point, we will--our data  
9 will be co--copyrighted.

10 ROUSSEAU: Do you have an anticipation of when that  
11 might be?

12 WERNHER: I'm hoping by the end of this month that'll  
13 be established.

14 ROUSSEAU: We've had--at least I have--several  
15 instances where people are really interested in  
16 doing, and it's hard for me to explain, you know--  
17 after we've been working on it several year--not--  
18 it's not your fault. I'm just--

19 WERNHER: Right.

20 ROUSSEAU: --I'm just saying--has been long  
21 anticipated, and I would assume that it's going to be  
22 very, very useful to the people in the community,  
23 and--but the sooner the better, I guess.

24 HUGHES: If I could comment--

25 WERNHER: Sure.

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1 HUGHES: --Paula Hughes, Allen County Council member  
2 and also a member of the IMAP Board--about the funds.  
3 One of the things that's crucial about that is we'll  
4 be able to keep the data up to date, and--you know,  
5 we've--we've got everything current for 2003, but  
6 this data changes so rapidly. I mean, we're talking  
7 about physical properties within the County. And one  
8 of the great things--and I know Commissioner Rousseau  
9 and Irving, Bloom, you're up to speed on this, but  
10 for the public--this is interactive data. So, at  
11 some point, when we get further down the line--and  
12 I'm jumping the--the hedge a little bit in talking  
13 about the web project, but we will eventually have  
14 available online, the ability for every person in  
15 this County to access their parcel of land--

16 WERNHER: Uh-huh (affirmative).

17 HUGHES: --and pull up digital pictures, you know,  
18 accurate within six inches, which is an incredible  
19 accuracy, and tie all kinds of County public  
20 information to it. Tax information, permit  
21 information, assessment information. It's really  
22 gonna be an incredible system.

23 BURKHART: The funds are dedicated funds as well,  
24 which would allow for the--the maintenance and  
25 upkeep of the IMAP program.

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1 IRVING: Why is--and I know the answer, but our  
2 public out there might be interested in this.

3 ROUSSEAU: Oh, yeah. Sure.

4 IRVING: Why is six inches important? I think the  
5 City's is within, what, 20--20 foot or--

6 WERNHER: It--it--

7 HUGHES: Sixty [60] foot.

8 WERNHER: Sixty [60] foot.

9 IRVING: Sixty [60] foot. What is the advantage of  
10 having a six inch leeway versus a 60 foot leeway?

11 WERNHER: Well, there's--there's many advantages.

12 One--the one that pops to mind most readily is  
13 emergency response. You have to know exactly where  
14 something is happening. Say there's a chemical

15 spill. It's important to accurately know where  
16 chemicals will be flowing, but for the development  
17 community and--they--they do a lot of planning work  
18 on how their site will be developed, what kind of  
19 topographic features they may have to overcome or--or  
20 build into that site. Without that information--  
21 without accurate boundaries that can lay over that  
22 accurately, they--you know, you can't do that type of  
23 planning.

24 IRVING: How about utility companies? Where do we  
25 see where this may fit in with them?

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1 WERNHER: Well, actually a lot of utilities are very  
2 interested, right now, in our base data, and what I  
3 anticipate is working in partnerships with them to  
4 utilize the base map as--and then from them, use  
5 their service boundaries and utility lines, etcetera,  
6 what have you, to overlay with our base maps so that  
7 the--the public may be able to work with that as  
8 well. The utilities have specific--kind of a market  
9 concerns--competitive concerns--

10 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

11 WERNHER: --certain data they hold very tightly, but  
12 most data--it's available, especially the service  
13 area boundaries that can be used by us in terms of  
14 economic development and being able to satisfy new  
15 companies looking to locate in Allen County.

16 HUGHES: And what's great about this system is it's  
17 all--it's tied to the physical earth.

18 WERNHER: Uh-huh (affirmative).

19 HUGHES: So--and that's where that six inch  
20 resolution really comes in handy. And a lot of th--  
21 the less sophisticated systems--and frankly, the  
22 system that Allen County was using before we made the  
23 leap to go to this IMAP system, was more of a free  
24 floating map. So you had several very independent  
25 maps, but to layer them altogether and get

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1 interactive data by each specific parcel's the really  
2 incredible part of this.

3 WERNHER: Yeah. You just can't accurately plan  
4 without having everything tied to the surface of the  
5 earth.

6 ROUSSEAU: Linda, what would this be, four or five  
7 years we've been working on this?

8 BLOOM: No. Try eight or nine.

9 ROUSSEAU: Longer?

10 IRVING: Ed?

11 BLOOM: Eight or nine.

12 IRVING: Ed, it's Christmas time.

13 BLOOM: Eight or nine.

14 ROUSSEAU: Well, you're having fun--

15 IRVING: You're supposed to say nice things.

16 BLOOM: I've been--I've been--

17 ROUSSEAU: Well, I thought I was.

18 BLOOM: --I've been Chairman of this committee eight  
19 and a half, nine years, and through all of or  
20 financial woes and change of management, deciding  
21 what we wanted, what would be most beneficial, the  
22 City has been very interested in what we're doing

23 because of their--60 foot, I didn't know it was 60  
24 foot.

25 IRVING: I knew it was large distance.

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1 BLOOM: This is so accurate. We do a fly over every  
2 two years. The City has paid half of this. I don't  
3 know what kind of an agreement or what kind of--we're  
4 working on that. We're almost ready to do this. We  
5 have people waiting for this. We have revenue ready  
6 to come into our account, and we're finally seeing a  
7 product.

8 WERNHER: Uh-huh (affirmative).

9 HUGHES: It's gonna be incredibly useful for planning  
10 and development--

11 BLOOM: Oh, you bet.

12 HUGHES: --in this County.

13 WERNHER: Yeah.

14 HUGHES: It's gonna be a great tool, and--

15 IRVING: Well--

16 HUGHES: --currently, any of those developers have to  
17 privately commission--

18 BLOOM: Right.

19 HUGHES: --any of this kind of mapping, and it's much  
20 more expensive than anything that--that we'll be able  
21 to offer.

22 BLOOM: Our Highway Department alone for big  
23 projects--and Mike Fitch could tell you better, but  
24 it would be nothing to spend 40, \$50,000.00 per  
25 project, and that'll be able to be pulled up just

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1 like this. I'm sure they're using it already.

2 WERNHER: Uh-huh (affirmative).

3 HUGHES: Because this is engineering grade.

4 IRVING: I know when Alex did his--

5 BLOOM: Yes.

6 IRVING: --presentation for the comprehensive plan  
7 when we were doing the scope of services, they were  
8 extremely impressed with what we had available, and  
9 what would be available before the end of their  
10 project too. So "that a boys," to you.

11 WERNHER: Thank you.

12 IRVING: What would you like to--we already voted on  
13 that, so let's talk a little bit about the contract  
14 for \$58,990.00. A project near and dear to my heart,  
15 which is the website.

16 WERNHER: Yes. The website was with Ruckert-Mielke.  
17 They are a firm out of Wisconsin that performs web  
18 development, and they will--basically, the term of  
19 the contract is from December through the beginning  
20 of June for it--to develop the website. And it will  
21 take functionality that we have at the desktop,  
22 present that--those data layers to the public, to  
23 internal County departments. We'll have an  
24 E-commerce website attached into that for generating  
25 we--revenue over the web--

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1 IRVING: Good.

2 WERNHER: --and we'll be able to--we're pushing to be  
3 able to provide legal documentation--have that linked  
4 to parcels, for example--so a developer could come in  
5 over the web, see what parcel they're working on, and

6 then see where their permits are in that process. So  
7 it's actually gonna be a very functional website.  
8 It'll have a free viewer with general data. That'll  
9 be free to everyone. I know there's a lot of concern  
10 about costs and--and are they reasonable, and the  
11 public has paid for--worked on a bond, but there will  
12 be free viewing access to the public for--to  
13 alleviate that concern, but then other companies  
14 that--will be able to come in and get specific  
15 information that are tailored to their needs right  
16 over the web. They won't have to come downtown. So  
17 we're looking at about a six month time frame, and  
18 the cost of that project is \$58,990.00. And these  
19 are with funds that have been appropriated through  
20 the Highway Department.

21 BLOOM: And I'll make a motion we accept the contract  
22 with Ruckert-Mielke for \$58,990.00.

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: Boy, you're terrific.

4 IRVING: Yeah. Please keep us informed on updates as  
5 they become available.

6 WERNHER: Great. Thank you.

7 IRVING: Thank you.

8 BLOOM: They'll know more when they see it, won't  
9 they?

10 WERNHER: Yes.

11 BLOOM: They just have no idea--the public has no  
12 idea of what we've done here.

13 WERNHER: Well, I think they'll be very pleased.

14 BLOOM: We're way ahead. Thank you.

15 IRVING: Okay. Next on our agenda is the grant  
16 paperwork for the State of Indiana and the Hessen  
17 Cassel project update.

18 ADAMS: Good morning, Commissioners.

19 BLOOM: Good morning, Ben.

20 ADAMS: I'm Ben Adams. I'm with Schnelker  
21 Engineering. I also represent the Allen County  
22 Regional Sewer District. Let me just try to bring  
23 you guys up to date as to where this thing stands. I  
24 haven't purposely tried to keep you in the dark, but  
25 some of this stuff you just frankly don't--I don't

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1 think anybody really cares much about.

2 BLOOM: Of course we do.

3 ADAMS: At the end of--as you'll recall, the County  
4 is mer--in receipt of a \$500,000.00 grant. We spent  
5 the money to do a sewer project out in the Hessen  
6 Cassel area. The project was completed earlier in  
7 the year. All the people have actually tied in and  
8 are currently using the system. At--I'll say  
9 mid-year in July, the Department of Commerce came up.  
10 They performed, not only a financial audit, but an  
11 administrative-type audit of the project. And, at  
12 that time, they sent me a letter stating that there  
13 were several findings of deficiency where I--I didn't

14 have form prepared or--or something was different  
15 than what we had originally planned on. They--they  
16 looked over several things, timely progress and the  
17 management of the grant, civil rights, citizen  
18 participation, procurement, labor standards, and they  
19 wanted to insure that I met the original national  
20 objective, which was we benefited low to moderate  
21 income people in the area. That's why we originally  
22 received the grant.

23 Well, we responded to those concerns. There  
24 was six findings. We responded to them in August,  
25 heard back at the end of August. They had--they had

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1 agreed to accept three of the findings as complete.  
2 There was still three outstanding. One of which had  
3 to do with the fact that several employees from one  
4 of the subcontractors were underpaid. It was a  
5 prevailing wage job. That's since been taken care  
6 of. Restitution's been made.

7 IRVING: Good.

8 BLOOM: Okay.

9 ADAMS: The final finding, though--and that is why  
10 I'm here today--is the national objective finding.  
11 Like I stated before, we originally did the project  
12 to serve low to moderate income people out in that  
13 area. Well, when the project was underway, we made  
14 an effort--the district did--to service additional  
15 homeowners that had failing septic systems along our  
16 route of our sewer--the tranmis--main route. These  
17 folks were not included in the original grant  
18 package, and so we're technically outside the  
19 original scope of the project. So when it was all  
20 said and done, the D.O.C. wanted me to go back and  
21 insure that those people were actually still within  
22 the original national objective, so were they all low  
23 to moderate income people or were--or was I serving  
24 people that actually had money, and sort of getting  
25 them in the tail end, if you know what I mean--

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1 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

2 ADAMS: --and they wanted to know if I was tricking  
3 them. I guess that's an easy way to put it. Suffice  
4 to say, we underwent an income verification procedure  
5 with those folks. Found out the majority of those  
6 were still low to moderate income people that could  
7 not have possibly funded municipal sanitary--

8 BLOOM: Right.

9 ADAMS: --sewer service on their own, and proved that  
10 to the Department of Commerce. Well, they--I've been  
11 arguing with them for the last couple of months.  
12 They still want us--you, actually, as the County, to  
13 submit a letter to them asking for a grant  
14 modification, which basically, in essence is stating  
15 that, "Yeah, we got the grant based upon an original  
16 service area, but we expanded that service area," and  
17 that's all we're stating. We expanded the service  
18 area, but we're still meeting the national objective.

19 ROUSSEAU: Well, where does the church fit into  
20 that--

21 ADAMS: Well, Ed, the church was within--

22 ROUSSEAU: --which is really what started this whole

23 thing to begin with.  
24 ADAMS: --the original area. They--they were within  
25 the original area, and they were serviced by the  
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1 original project.  
2 ROUSSEAU: Yeah.  
3 IRVING: It's 23 families, correct? According to  
4 this letter?  
5 ADAMS: Twenty-three [23] additional connections.  
6 IRVING: And of these 23 families, do we have it  
7 certified that they were low or moderate income  
8 families?  
9 ADAMS: Yes, we do.  
10 BLOOM: All of them?  
11 ADAMS: Performed by one--not all of them, but the  
12 majority.  
13 IRVING: Well, is that what the problem is that since  
14 not all of them are--  
15 ADAMS: No, because I--  
16 IRVING: And when you say "majority"--  
17 ADAMS: --was only--  
18 IRVING: --what are we talking here?  
19 ADAMS: We're talking--  
20 IRVING: How many of them fit and how many don't?  
21 ADAMS: I'm talking about 75%, roughly, but all I was  
22 required to meet was 51%--had to meet--  
23 IRVING: Oh, okay.  
24 ADAMS: --the low to moderate income.  
25 IRVING: So what do you need from us exactly then?

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1 ADAMS: Basically, I have a letter in front of you  
2 that you need to sign that states that we're  
3 modifying the original service area to encompass  
4 these additional 23 connections.  
5 ROUSSEAU: Again, I--where does the church fit into  
6 this picture, which is really who started the whole  
7 thing?  
8 ADAMS: The church was part of the original area, and  
9 they were serviced as a part of the original project.  
10 ROUSSEAU: Yeah.  
11 ADAMS: These 23 folks came on after the fact, and  
12 basically wanted in as a part of the project. And it  
13 basically, went directly before the District Board,  
14 themselves.  
15 ROUSSEAU: Well, it was the only we had--they would  
16 have had to close the--  
17 IRVING: Right.  
18 ROUSSEAU: --close the church down.  
19 ADAMS: Yeah, the--  
20 IRVING: And the school, yeah.  
21 ADAMS: --the whole thing out there was going to--the  
22 whole sewer situation out there was--was pretty  
23 severe.  
24 ROUSSEAU: It was a worthy project.  
25 BLOOM: How many families were included in the

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1 original project?  
2 ADAMS: The original project was to service about 60  
3 families, including the church and including a small  
4 mobile home park on the other side of 27.

5 IRVING: Right.  
6 BLOOM: And this is 23.  
7 ADAMS: And this added 23 on to that.  
8 BLOOM: And the systems ke--  
9 ROUSSEAU: It was a good project.  
10 IRVING: Yeah, it was a wonderful--  
11 BLOOM: Oh, it's--  
12 IRVING: --project.  
13 BLOOM: --wonderful, but the system is capable--  
14 everything's going fine.  
15 ADAMS: Everything is going fine. Everything--  
16 BLOOM: They just--  
17 ADAMS: --is working fine. The other two pieces of  
18 information you have in front of you are the ongoing  
19 reporting documentation that you need to submit to  
20 the Department of Commerce as a part of the grant  
21 process.  
22 IRVING: I'll take a motion. It says that the  
23 president needs to sign.  
24 ROUSSEAU: So moved.  
25 BLOOM: Second.

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1 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
2 BLOOM: Aye.  
3 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
4 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Keep us informed,  
5 Ben, and if you need any other clarification of  
6 paperwork, please come before us.  
7 ADAMS: Well, let me say one other thing. It seems  
8 funny that the money's been spent and they still want  
9 to know so much more, but there's two steps to this.  
10 There's a financial close out and there's an  
11 administrative close out. We've satisfied their  
12 financial close out. There's just this ongoing  
13 administrative close out, and that's what I'm trying  
14 to satisfy.  
15 BLOOM: Is this your first effort here?  
16 ADAMS: Actually, it's my fourth grant.  
17 BLOOM: Your first opportunity?  
18 ADAMS: It's just been--  
19 ROUSSEAU: There may not be anymore, huh?  
20 ADAMS: Well, possibly not.  
21 IRVING: Is that where the gray hair came from? I  
22 didn't see that a year ago. Thanks a lot, Ben. Is  
23 there anything else you'd like to add?  
24 ADAMS: No, actually. And I--I hope to--we can close  
25 this out in the next month or two and just be done

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1 with it.  
2 IRVING: Great. Well, please keep us informed.  
3 ADAMS: Okay. Thank you.  
4 BLOOM: Thanks.  
5 IRVING: Thank you very much. Approval of award to  
6 demolish a structure at 11628 Leatherwood Run to  
7 Clark's Incorporated at a cost of \$4,875.00. Good  
8 morning. We don't very often get to see you.  
9 WAIKEL: No. I'm Irene Waikel--  
10 BLOOM: Good morning.  
11 WAIKEL: --and I'm representing the Building  
12 Department. We're here today to request that the bid  
13 for Clark's to demolish this structure be approved.

14 We'd like to have it down before Christmas.  
15 IRVING: This was a fire that--an arson fire and--  
16 WAIKEL: In July.  
17 IRVING: Yeah.  
18 WAIKEL: And the home's been through bankruptcy  
19 court. The people had claimed bankruptcy, and so  
20 we've not been able to do anything with the property  
21 until bankruptcy court released the structure, and  
22 they have released it.  
23 BLOOM: Who's paying this \$4,875.00?  
24 WAIKEL: We have money in the Demolition Fund.  
25 BLOOM: Okay. I'll make a motion that we approve the

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1 amount to demolish this structure.  
2 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
3 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
4 BLOOM: Aye.  
5 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
6 IRVING: Aye.  
7 WAIKEL: Thank you.  
8 IRVING: Motion carried.  
9 BLOOM: Thank you.  
10 IRVING: Where is Leatherman Court--Leatherwood Run?  
11 WAIKEL: It's in Laurel Ridge--  
12 IRVING: Oh, it's in Laurel Ridge.  
13 WAIKEL: --off of Carroll Road.  
14 IRVING: Off of Carroll Road, okay.  
15 WAIKEL: Uh-huh (affirmative).  
16 IRVING: Thank you very much.  
17 BLOOM: Thank you.  
18 WAIKEL: Thank you.  
19 IRVING: Come see us again. Approval of a contract  
20 between Allen County and Kenneth Arthur and Pamela  
21 Arthur for operation of the Cafeteria Food Services.  
22 ROUSSEAU: I guess--  
23 IRVING: Good morning.  
24 FISHERING: Good morning. Before you is a new  
25 contract for the operation of the cafeteria in the

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1 basement. Basically, it's identical to the prior  
2 contract. It eliminates one of the other parties,  
3 and reduces the rental slightly, from 150 [\$150.00]  
4 to \$125.00. Other than that there is no change, and  
5 I'd recommend approval of this.  
6 IRVING: Hey, Linda had to leave for a second, so you  
7 get a chance to make a motion, Ed.  
8 ROUSSEAU: Okay. I'm going to take charge here, and  
9 make a motion that we approve the license agreement  
10 between the County and Ken and Pamela Arthur.  
11 IRVING: I will second that motion. All in favor  
12 say, "Aye."  
13 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
14 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
15 FISHERING: Thank you very much.  
16 IRVING: Thank you very much. Approval of Agreement  
17 between Allen County and Searisus Securities--  
18 ELSER: Securitas.  
19 IRVING: Securitas--  
20 ELSER: Securitas.  
21 IRVING: --Security Services USA, Incorporated, and

22 I'm not sure who's--is are attorney presenting this?  
23 ELSER: I have this information. I believe, Tony  
24 Burris has looked--and Commissioner Rousseau has  
25 looked at this. All of you have gone over this.

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1 This is just giving the straight time billing rates  
2 and holiday billing rates for the security as it's  
3 going to be for next year, which I believe is the  
4 current level that we now have in this building.  
5 IRVING: Well, do we need to explain any further on  
6 it or--  
7 ROUSSEAU: Securitas is an evening--  
8 IRVING: It used to be Burns, right?  
9 FISHERING: Formerly Burns.  
10 ROUSSEAU: Yeah.  
11 IRVING: And they were bought out.  
12 ROUSSEAU: Okay. We have--for the security for the  
13 City-County Building is a group that we hired, and  
14 this is what we're discussing at the moment.  
15 Securitas used to be what we call Burns Security, and  
16 they do the after-hours security. The hours during  
17 the day are part-time employees and work out of the  
18 Building Management Department, and they are paid on  
19 a part-time basis. So this has to do with the  
20 after-hours--evening, holidays, that type of thing.  
21 IRVING: Okay.  
22 ROUSSEAU: And I make a motion we approve it.  
23 BLOOM: Second.  
24 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
25 BLOOM: Aye.

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1 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
2 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Okay. I think we  
3 have the Memorial Coliseum up next. General manager,  
4 Randy Brown is going to tell us about some--Change  
5 Order #14 for \$96,766.00.  
6 BROWN: Good morning, folks. I'm--  
7 IRVING: Good morning.  
8 BROWN: --Randy Brown--  
9 BLOOM: Good morning.  
10 BROWN: --general manager of the Coliseum, with me my  
11 colleague, Jerry Noble, with MSKTD & Associates. Our  
12 project architect. Jerry will run down the--I  
13 believe, we have five ite--four items today, so this  
14 shouldn't take too long.  
15 NOBLE: Change Order #14, the current contract amount  
16 is \$29,765,527.29. This change order, including four  
17 items, totals \$96,766.00. That brings the new  
18 proposed contract amount to \$29,862,293.29. And if  
19 we were to look at the--the spreadsheet that we've  
20 attached to the change orders, that brings us up to  
21 just a little bit less of the--of 80% of the  
22 contingency used. And we are currently just a shade  
23 under 100% billed out on the project. Basically,  
24 what we have left to bill are chan--approved change  
25 order items. So we--we've--we keep getting closer

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1 and closer, and then every time we approve a change  
2 order, we get a little bit farther away from 100%,  
3 but basically we're--we're very close to complete  
4 with the project.

5           The four items--there are two larger items.  
6   The first one is replacing--well, basically closing  
7   off the hole that removal of the old canopies left in  
8   the side of the building. The second item is  
9   \$62,000.00, and that is to paint the concrete frames.  
10   We looked at that project at length and decided to  
11   coat those frames to assure--

12   IRVING: Yes. They need that.

13   NOBLE: --that we had no water entering the concrete  
14   system to damage the resteel. Concrete,  
15   historically, has been shown to crack a little bit  
16   over time, so we thought that was good safety feature  
17   to install. The total change order is \$96,766.00.

18   ROUSSEAU: Bill, they have--the signatures are--the  
19   organizational--the president, vice-president,  
20   etcetera are from when we originally made the deal.  
21   What are the consequences of this?

22   FISHERING: Nothing. Just scratch it out--

23   NOBLE: These are incorrect?

24   BROWN: I apologize. I--it was an oversight on my  
25   part.

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1   IRVING: Well, since you've--

2   NOBLE: My part, actually.

3   IRVING: --got several big names coming in again, I  
4   guess we'll forgive you this time, Randy.

5   BROWN: Thank you.

6   IRVING: Can I have a motion on this, please?

7   BLOOM: I'll make a motion we accept Change Order #14  
8   for a total of \$96,766.00.

9   ROUSSEAU: Second.

10   IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."

11   BLOOM: Aye.

12   ROUSSEAU: Aye.

13   IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.

14   BROWN: Happy holidays.

15   IRVING: Happy holidays.

16   IRVING: Happy holidays to you.

17   BROWN: Thank you.

18   BLOOM: Thank you.

19   IRVING: Come see us again. I think we have some  
20   change orders for the Allen County Justice Center.

21   BLOOM: We do.

22   IRVING: The first one's Industrial Piping and  
23   Engineering for \$17,426.00, Weigand Construction for  
24   \$5,928.20, Williams Painting Company for a flat  
25   \$100.00, and Great Oaks Construction for \$7,000.00.

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1   BLOOM: We've had to extend the generator stack.  
2   There's sliding door frames, painting, elevating  
3   circuitry--I think that's it--for a total--  
4   \$17,426.00, \$5,928.20, \$100.00 and \$7,000.00, and  
5   I'll make a motion that we approve these. I've  
6   checked them and they're fine.

7   ROUSSEAU: Second.

8   IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."

9   BLOOM: Aye.

10   ROUSSEAU: Aye.

11   IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Human Resources would  
12   like to come before us to discuss a development of an

13 online form to conduct the annual Common Wage Survey  
14 via the internet. In the past, we have done this  
15 through sending in the postage. We're going to  
16 utilize our internet service, and Brian, would you  
17 like to introduce yourself and--

18 DUMFORD: Certainly.

19 IRVING: --tell us a little bit about this.

20 BLOOM: Good morning.

21 DUMFORD: Good morning. I am Brian Dumford,  
22 director-elect of the Human Resources Department, and  
23 I'm here to discuss something I'm very excited about.  
24 Every year we do a Common Wage Survey, which helps  
25 the County to establish the Common Wage Scale for

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1 construction and Highway Department projects. In the  
2 past, we have used totally a paper based system.  
3 Sending out, through the U.S. Postal Service,  
4 approximately 1,500 pieces of mail, which include a  
5 several page survey, return envelope and return  
6 postage for a cost of almost \$2,000.00 per year.  
7 With the success of our online job application  
8 system, I'd like to build upon that to make this  
9 survey a web-based survey to where the contractors  
10 can sign into the website, complete the information--  
11 and it will assist us, number one, in not sending out  
12 as much postage. It will save us in printing costs.  
13 It will also assist us in processing the information,  
14 as we can have the database that's collecting the  
15 information do a lot of the calculations for us.

16 There will be some printing and some mailing,  
17 because we have--my plan is to mail a postcard to all  
18 of the people saying--giving the web address, where  
19 to log in, and some initial information. But I  
20 anticipate the printing and postage to be greatly  
21 reduced just because we're doing most of it  
22 electronically. I just wanted to bring that to your  
23 attention. I'm working with Crowe Chizek right now,  
24 our web developers, to--to develop this to be  
25 conducted first quarter of next year.

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1 IRVING: Before I entertain a motion under  
2 discussion, our return surveys in the past--you've  
3 sent out like for 1,500 contractors, and we've gotten  
4 less than a hundred--I mean, it was very--

5 DUMFORD: Oh, no. I think it's--

6 ROUSSEAU: No, it's more than that.

7 IRVING: Was it?

8 DUMFORD: --I believe it's about a third.

9 IRVING: We get about a third back.

10 DUMFORD: About 33 to 40% response.

11 IRVING: Okay.

12 DUMFORD: So, if--if you think about it--

13 BLOOM: Which still isn't good.

14 DUMFORD: --there's a lot of return postage that's  
15 just sitting out there that we just gave away.

16 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

17 BLOOM: I know it.

18 DUMFORD: So, hopefully, that's gonna be a big  
19 savings.

20 IRVING: Keep us informed, and is there anyway that  
21 we can--maybe we could even do something through some

22 of the contractor's organizations to let them know  
23 that they need to do this, and they can let it  
24 through on their newsletters too, which could even  
25 save us even more postage.

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1 DUMFORD: Thank you. Yeah, I'll take--that'd be a  
2 good suggestion.  
3 BLOOM: Thank you. Why don't you let him do his--  
4 IRVING: Well, we need to vote on this--  
5 BLOOM: --hardware/software--  
6 IRVING: Do we need to vote on this or is this is  
7 just an update?  
8 DUMFORD: This was more just--  
9 BLOOM: No. It was information.  
10 DUMFORD: --of an information--this is what we're  
11 doing.  
12 IRVING: Okay. While you're here then, let's go  
13 ahead and do your hardware and software request. And  
14 thank you for that because that's really thinking  
15 outside the box, and we'll be able to utilize our  
16 website even more.  
17 DUMFORD: Thank you.  
18 IRVING: You are requesting two personal computers,  
19 CPUs only. \$525.00 each for \$1,050.00. And three  
20 licenses of Microsoft Office XP Professional, \$301.00  
21 or \$903.00 for \$1,953.00. And is ACS going to take  
22 care of the laptop or do you want to put that in  
23 yours too--  
24 DUMFORD: That's under their--  
25 IRVING: --for two-thousand--

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1 DUMFORD: --that's under their approval.  
2 IRVING: Okay.  
3 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we accept the  
4 hardware/software request for \$1,953.00.  
5 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
6 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
7 BLOOM: Aye.  
8 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
9 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
10 DUMFORD: Thank you very much, Commissioners.  
11 BLOOM: Thank you.  
12 IRVING: Thank you.  
13 DUMFORD: Have a great holiday.  
14 IRVING: Good luck.  
15 DUMFORD: Thank you.  
16 IRVING: Keep us informed.  
17 DUMFORD: Definitely.  
18 IRVING: Commissioner Bloom, you didn't even ask if  
19 Data Board had approved that or not.  
20 DUMFORD: Thank you.  
21 IRVING: Okay. ACS. Bob, would you like to come up  
22 and--I had to do that. I'm sorry I just had to do  
23 that.  
24 BLOOM: You don't want my remark.  
25 IRVING: First is Human Resources, one laptop,

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1 \$2,687.96. The Highway Department--it says on server  
2 upgrade for between \$7,500.00 to \$8,300.00. The  
3 sheriff, one new PC for \$1,600.98, the Board of

4 Health, a new printer and Adobe Photoshop--that has  
5 already been passed, and then we have for ACS, one  
6 Proxy server software for \$1,800.00, an Adobe Acrobat  
7 at \$194.63. We need two of those for a total of  
8 \$389.26. And five user pack Dreamweaver, \$1,325.00,  
9 and Macromedia Fireworks for \$275.89. Good morning.

10 THIELE: Good morning. Bob Thiele, ACS.

11 BLOOM: Good morning.

12 THIELE: These are all requests that went in front of  
13 Data Board and were approved. The first one for Kim  
14 Bowman, the ArcInfo, that's helping out right now.  
15 There's a contention for the software licenses and  
16 this will add a couple more to that pool. The next  
17 one would be--

18 IRVING: Why don't we find out if the Commissioner's  
19 have any questions on any of them.

20 THIELE: Okay.

21 IRVING: I do think we need to hit a little bit on  
22 the Highway Department server upgrade, and the  
23 utilization from the Assessor's Office, but do you  
24 have any questions on most of it?

25 BLOOM: No, I do not.

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1 IRVING: Commissioner Rousseau?

2 ROUSSEAU: No.

3 IRVING: Why don't you just give a little--just a  
4 little blurb on the Highway Department and them being  
5 out of memory.

6 THIELE: The Hi--the Highway Department's server,  
7 currently, is running out of disk space, and the two  
8 options that we have is either going out and buying  
9 another server for them because their current server  
10 is getting a little bit older, and they want to  
11 incorporate a new database for some of their  
12 programs. The second alternative was using an  
13 existing server that we have--add a little bit more  
14 disk space, and that would be enough for both  
15 departments to be able use and function. So that  
16 would give a pretty good savings overall.

17 BLOOM: That's great.

18 IRVING: I'll entertain a motion.

19 BLOOM: So moved.

20 ROUSSEAU: Second.

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

22 BLOOM: Aye.

23 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

24 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.

25 THIELE: Thank you.

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1 IRVING: Thanks a lot, Bob.

2 BLOOM: Thank you.

3 IRVING: Approve and award Bid Reference 40-03 for  
4 construction of Old Maysville Road Bridge over the  
5 Pierson Ditch. Project 02-333, and the bids were  
6 opened yesterday.

7 BLOOM: Day before, actually.

8 FITCH: Good morning. I'm Mike Fitch, Allen County  
9 Highway.

10 IRVING: I'm sorry. The day before.

11 BLOOM: Good morning.

12 FITCH: We received bids from three--three vendors.

13 Primco Associates--or excuse me, Pioneer Associates,  
14 Primco, Inc., and R.L. McCoy.  
15 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).  
16 BLOOM: Pioneer got it.  
17 FITCH: Primco Associates was the low bid at  
18 \$80,917.25. This compares to the engineer's estimate  
19 of \$100,565.95, so it's a substantial savings from  
20 our--  
21 BLOOM: Primco wasn't the low vote.  
22 FITCH: No. Pioneer Associates, excuse me.  
23 BLOOM: Pioneer, yeah.  
24 FITCH: Pioneer Associates.  
25 IRVING: I'll take a motion.

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1 FITCH: The Highway Department recommends approval  
2 of--  
3 IRVING: Oh, I'm sorry.  
4 BLOOM: So moved.  
5 FITCH: --Pioneer Associates.  
6 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
7 IRVING: For \$80,917.25.  
8 BLOOM: Under the estimate of--  
9 IRVING: All in favor--  
10 BLOOM: --100,000 [\$100,565.95].  
11 IRVING: --all in favor say, "Aye."  
12 BLOOM: Aye.  
13 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
14 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approve Supplement #1  
15 for Project STP-9902, DES 9981630. County/State  
16 agreement for the restoration of the Nickel Plate  
17 Engine 765, for an increase of original amount from  
18 750,000 [\$750,000.00] to a not--  
19 BLOOM: 450 [\$450,000.00].  
20 IRVING: --450,000 [\$450,000.00], I'm sorry--to a not  
21 to exceed amount of \$590,000.00. And we are  
22 basically a "pass through" for the State on this.  
23 This is--  
24 FITCH: Yes. We--we serve the accounting function.  
25 The Historic Society pays the 20% match, and Federal

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1 Highway pays the rest of it.  
2 IRVING: Great. Can I have a motion on this, please?  
3 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we approve this  
4 increase to \$590,000.00.  
5 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
6 IRVING: All in favor say, "Aye."  
7 BLOOM: Aye.  
8 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
9 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
10 BLOOM: Mike and I were out in New Haven looking at  
11 this engine. There are only six of these engines  
12 left. This number--Burkshire number 765, and this  
13 one's going to be operational. The--are you  
14 interrupting?  
15 IRVING: I didn't interrupt. Ed, just reiterated to  
16 me that it's the seasons, and he's just wonderful,  
17 wonderful cheer today.  
18 BLOOM: It's going to be operational and we're going  
19 to get this up and going. The deadline on it now is  
20 August, I believe. It's a year and a half late in

21 being completed, but it's going to be wonderful, and  
22 they're going to take trips on it, and it's going to  
23 be great. It's really big.

24 IRVING: Well, good. I hope you get to take a--

25 BLOOM: Coal fed. Oh, it's big. What year was this  
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1 built?

2 IRVING: Probably the same year you were born. Oh, I  
3 had to do it. I'm sorry.

4 FISHERING: There was a mistake.

5 IRVING: Okay. We knew she'd jump right in there on  
6 that one.

7 FITCH: Nineteen fifty--

8 BLOOM: Oh, this is--quiet.

9 FITCH: --1953, I believe, is when it was--

10 BLOOM: Was it?

11 FITCH: --originally built.

12 IRVING: Oh, well, probably more around the time I  
13 was born.

14 BLOOM: Looks big and old to me.

15 IRVING: Okay. You got me on that one. Approve  
16 professional engineering services agreement between  
17 DLZ Indiana and Allen County for the Carroll Road  
18 Corridor Study between State Road 3 and Coldwater  
19 Road. Project 03-305, per proposal dated November  
20 24, 2003. Total amount of proposed agreement is  
21 \$10,500.00.

22 BLOOM: So move.

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. Approve change order  
3 for Hillegas between Primco and Allen County. Whoa,  
4 \$543,041.15. An increase, which the State pays 80%,  
5 and the County pays their 20%, which is \$108,608.23.  
6 God, I thought for a minute I was reading--

7 FITCH: Okay.

8 IRVING: --the numbers for the antique engine.

9 FITCH: This--

10 ROUSSEAU: I thought she said "old engines."

11 BLOOM: This is--

12 FITCH: --this change order--

13 BLOOM: Yeah. Tell them.

14 FITCH: --this change order--approximately  
15 \$300,000.00 of this change order is the  
16 reconstruction of the Hostetler Drain, which was  
17 requested through the Surveyor's Office and was  
18 approved for federal funding by Federal Highway.

19 BLOOM: Right.

20 FITCH: This drain will provide off-site drainage for  
21 this project and the area in the vicinity of the  
22 project. So it's a multiphase use drainage. The  
23 rest of the improvements consist of--we had some  
24 areas with some poor subgrade--had to be replaced.  
25 Storm structures and pipes had to be--some additional

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1 work had to be done, and also some utility relocation  
2 work.

3 BLOOM: I'll make a motion we accept Change Order #8.

4 ROUSSEAU: Second.

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

6 BLOOM: Aye.

7 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

8 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Under Other  
9 Business--oh, first, Mike--I thought you'd be the  
10 Other Business, but you're not.

11 FITCH: Okay.

12 IRVING: Is there anything else you'd like to add.

13 FITCH: I have just one--one bit of information.  
14 We've been trying to get the--the Hillegas Road  
15 project open. We have everything completed except  
16 the pavement markings, and we'd like to--I can say--  
17 publicly say that we--when we get our first warm day.  
18 We need a temperature above 32--

19 BLOOM: Right.

20 FITCH: --and a dry pavement, and we can put the  
21 pavement markings down, and then we can open it to  
22 traffic. We have had some reports that some people  
23 have been driving around the barricades, and we  
24 caution people not to do that.

25 BLOOM: One of them was me.

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1 FITCH: The road is not open to traffic, and for  
2 liability reasons, please do not drive around  
3 barricades.

4 BLOOM: Well, one of them was me.

5 FITCH: Okay.

6 BLOOM: I wanted to see the full length of it, of  
7 course, and--

8 FITCH: Yeah.

9 BLOOM: --because there's no traffic on it, the snow  
10 was still piled on it.

11 FITCH: Yeah. Yes.

12 BLOOM: And I know it has to be warmer, but we can't  
13 possibly open Hillegas as promised. We were supposed  
14 to be opening tomorrow--

15 FITCH: Right.

16 BLOOM: --and until the striping's done, there's no  
17 way.

18 FITCH: Every time it's got above 32, it's been  
19 raining--

20 BLOOM: Yeah.

21 FITCH: --or snowing, so we need one dry day--sunny  
22 day above 32 and we'll get it striped, okay.

23 IRVING: Does the concrete have to be up to 32 or  
24 just the outside temperature because--

25 FITCH: The outside temperature has to be 32.

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1 BLOOM: That was a good question.

2 IRVING: Well, we're probably looking at July.

3 FITCH: I hope not.

4 IRVING: I don't either.

5 BLOOM: Thank you.

6 FITCH: Thank you.

7 IRVING: Well, please keep us informed, Mike.

8 FITCH: Yes, we will. Thank you.

9 IRVING: Okay. Thank you. We'll be anxiously  
10 watching the weather forecast. Under Other Business,  
11 I think Michelle is here. We have a couple plats to

12 sign. One for Herron Preserve, Section II, and one  
13 for Twin Eagles Villas, Section II. And if it's okay  
14 with the Commissioner's, we'll just sign that after  
15 the meeting? Okay? Yes? Acknowledge.

16 ROUSSEAU: Yeah.

17 IRVING: Yes, okay. I'd like a motion--do we have  
18 any other business before us?

19 ELSER: We have no other business.

20 IRVING: Okay. I'd like to have a motion to waive  
21 the 2nd Reading on all matters which were approved  
22 today.

23 BLOOM: So move.

24 ROUSSEAU: Second.

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

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1 BLOOM: Aye.

2 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

3 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Do we have any  
4 comments from the public today? (No response.) Any  
5 comments from the public? (No response.) Hearing  
6 none, thank you for joining us and happy holidays.

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8 (Adjourned 10:55 a.m.)

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2 2 COUNTY OF ALLEN )

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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 December 17, 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 22nd day of December, 2003.

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

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My Commission Expires:

22 22 October 23, 2010

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