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10 MARCH 15, 2006

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DATE: March 15, 2006

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City-County Building
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Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802

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REPORTER: Rhonda M. Mullholand

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1 PRESENT:

2 Marla J. Irving Allen County Commissioner
3 Linda K. Bloom Allen County Commissioner
4 F. Nelson Peters Allen County Commissioner

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Susan Elser Allen County Board of
6 Commissioners' Office

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7 Mary Hitchens Allen County Public
Information Department

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John McGauley Allen County Public
Information Department

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10 G. William Fishering Allen County Attorney

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Michelle Wood Allen County Department of
Planning Services

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13 James Morlan Northeast Group Development

14 Orrin Session Northeast Group Development

15 Randy Brown Allen County War Memorial
Coliseum

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Judge Charles Pratt Allen County Superior Court

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Kate Rusher Allen County Superior Court

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Greg Barnes YMCA, Youth Services Bureau

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Therese Brown Allen County Clerk

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William Hartman Allen County Highway
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1 Sheriff James Herman Allen County Sheriff's
Department

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Chief Deputy Allen County Sheriff's

3 William Smallwood Department

4 Tom Cicero Bonar, Inc.

5 Rhonda M. Mullholand Rolf Reporting, Inc.

6 Cindy Larson News Sentinel

7 Ben Lanka Journal-Gazette

8 Jeff Newmeyer WPTA-TV

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1 IRVING: Good morning and thank you for attending our
2 March 15th, 2006 legislative session. We'll start
3 out by having the Pledge of Allegiance, and today we
4 are going to have a moment of silence for one of our
5 local servicemen, from down in Northeast Indiana,
6 around Grant County, that was killed in action. So,

7 we'll start--Commissioner Peters, would you like to
8 lead us today?

9 PETERS: Yes, I can.

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

12 IRVING: Thank you very much. Okay, approval of the
13 minutes from the March 8th, 2006 meeting.

14 PETERS: I'll make a motion to approve the minutes of
15 March 8th, 2006.

16 BLOOM: Second.

17 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

18 BLOOM: Aye.

19 PETERS: Aye.

20 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Public Hearing:
21 Vacation Petition 380/06: Petition to vacate a
22 portion of the road right of way for Douglass Road.
23 The vacation is located within the 9600 through the
24 9800 block of Douglass Road, beginning at the point
25 approximately 1,160 feet east of the intersection of
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1 Douglass Road and Wheelock Road, and ending
2 approximately 632 feet east. The width of right of
3 way is 32 feet. Good morning.

4 WOOD: Good morning.

5 PETERS: Good morning.

6 MORLAN: Morning.

7 WOOD: Michelle Wood, with the Department of Planning
8 Services.

9 MORLAN: Jim Morlan, 10808 LaCabreah Lane,
10 Northeastern Group.

11 WOOD: Do you need to open the public hearing first
12 before I start?

13 IRVING: Yes. I--

14 WOOD: Okay.

15 IRVING: --apologize.

16 WOOD: That's okay.

17 IRVING: I went right over that. I would first like
18 to--we need to find out if it has been advertised.

19 WOOD: Yes, it has been advertised in both Fort Wayne
20 newspapers.

21 IRVING: Okay. Then I'd like to make a--have a
22 motion to open the public hearing.

23 PETERS: I'll make a motion to open the public

24 hearing.

25 BLOOM: Second.

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1 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

2 PETERS: Aye.

3 IRVING: Aye.

4 BLOOM: Aye.

5 IRVING: Motion carried. Okay, and you've already
6 introduced yourself. Would you like to introduce
7 yourselves again, though, for the hearing?

8 WOOD: Sure. I am Michelle Wood. I'm with the
9 Department of Planning Services.

10 MORLAN: Jim Morlan, 10808 LaCabreah Lane,
11 Northeastern Group.

12 IRVING: Welcome both of you.

13 WOOD: Thank you.

14 IRVING: First, we would like to have the information
15 and for the people then to speak for--in favor of
16 this vacation.

17 WOOD: Would you like to give me--would you like me
18 to give this?

19 MORLAN: Sure.

20 WOOD: Okay. I'll give you a brief background.
21 Staff has given you a packet of information. The
22 first page is from the legal ad. And, as you stated,
23 this is to vacate a portion of the right of way for
24 Douglass Road. And, this is part of the Communities
25 of Foxwood, which was approved as a primary plat in

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1 2004. And, the re-routing of Douglass Road was
2 always approved as part of this--part of this
3 development. And, you've actually vacated a portion
4 of it already last year. This is the next section.
5 The applicant is vacating portions of the right of
6 way as they progress with the Communities of Foxwood.
7 This particular section is in a subdivision section
8 called Chapman's Bridge. Each section has it's own
9 name.

10 As I said, this is the second petition. There
11 will probably be at least one more, but Jim can
12 elaborate on that. And, during construction they
13 have kept a route open, so Douglass Road is useable
14 from Schwartz to Wheelock. In your--if you go

15 through the packet, the second and third page is the
16 legal description. But, if you go to the page marked
17 "current," I made a little map that just shows what
18 you would see today ov--on the area, where Douglass
19 Road still exists. And, the purple area is what has
20 already been platted. And, you can see that a small
21 portion in the purple there has already been vacated.
22 And, then the yellow is marking the area that is to
23 be vacated, hopefully today. And, then the following
24 page is what the plat will look like when it's all
25 done, in the future. So, you can see there's still-

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1 I marked, this time in pink, the area to be vacated.

2 IRVING: We are in color, so I'm glad you used pink.

3 Thank you Michelle.

4 WOOD: It--these are--these are my spring colors.

5 And, the yellow is where the road will eventually be

6 re-routed. And, I think that's pretty much all the

7 information on it, but--

8 IRVING: What is staff's recommendation, please?

9 WOOD: Based on all the approvals we received from

10 local agencies, which were Allen County Surveyor's

11 Office, the Highway Department, NIPSCO, Verizon,

12 Comcast, and AEP, they have all given us an approval.

13 Based on that, we do recommend approval of this

14 vacation.

15 IRVING: Mr. Sessions, would you like to join us.

16 SESSIONS: Sure.

17 IRVING: Okay.

18 WOOD: I'll step back.

19 IRVING: I know. Yeah, Michelle. We're kind of

20 limited sometime on our seating. Good morning.

21 SESSIONS: Good morning.

22 IRVING: Would you like to introduce yourself.

23 SESSIONS: Orrin Sessions, 10808 LaCabreah Lane.

24 IRVING: Okay. Great. Is there anyone in favor of

25 speaking on this petition?

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1 SESSIONS: Jim.

2 MORLAN: Basically, Michelle did a pretty good job of

3 reviewing it. We've maintained a--for safety, a 911

4 service, even school buses. We've maintained a stone

5 drive from where Chapman's Boulevard ended, and

6 brought that around. To date, it's on Queensboro
7 Court. That comes back down to Douglass Road. As
8 we--as we complete that section, we'll--we'll pick up
9 from Chapman's Boulevard again, and come down what
10 will be Golden Gate Boulevard, to--to reconnect with
11 Douglass Road. So, that will allow the interior
12 access and, as Michelle said, complete--complete the
13 --the loop, if you will, from Wheelock to Schwartz
14 Road. And, it seems to be working well. The--there
15 isn't a whole lot of traffic--wasn't a whole lot of
16 traffic down Douglass Road, and there continues not
17 to be, and so we think this is the best scenario.

18 BLOOM: Why are we doing this in phases? Why are we
19 just not vacating the whole area, as you develop, as
20 one project, not as you're going east? Is there a
21 reason that we've not just vacated all of the
22 development you're doing, and we're doing it in the
23 phases?

24 MORLAN: We're doing it in phases, but half--half the
25 road is still in existence, as a gravel road.

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1 BLOOM: Right.

2 SESSIONS: We've been working with Mike Eckert on the
3 phases, and the signage, and the re-routing, and it
4 just seemed to be appropriate to do it as we take
5 sections out.

6 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

7 BLOOM: Because, usually, when we do vacating, we do
8 it all.

9 SESSIONS: Yeah, we're--Foxwood's a 10 year project,
10 and the--

11 BLOOM: Okay.

12 SESSIONS: --and the last section, you know, it--it
13 might be six, eight years from now when we develop--
14 or--or vacate that last section. So--

15 BLOOM: Okay.

16 IRVING: Commissioner--

17 BLOOM: Thank you.

18 IRVING: --Commissioner Bloom, this was approved when
19 I was on Plan Commission. What years was that, 2003?

20 WOOD: '03 or '04.

21 SESSIONS: '04, yeah.

22 IRVING: 2003, 2004. And, when I had the opportunity

23 to go out and see this area, and see what they were
24 proposing, it was agreed upon, with Department of
25 Planning Services and Plan Commission, that the re
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1 routing of this traffic, and the vacation, would be
2 done in phases in order to have the least amount of
3 disruption in that area and still be able to work
4 around the--the phases that they are--are going to be
5 building, and have built. So, in the overall scheme,
6 from when I was on Plan Commission, this is kind of
7 the plan that we had agreed upon to--with the
8 developer.

9 BLOOM: And, this development is going to go all the
10 way to Schwartz?

11 MORLAN: No. It--there's probably--there will
12 remain--help me out, Orrin--maybe 1500 feet of
13 Douglass Road between our project and Schwartz Road.

14 BLOOM: And, then how--how about over Wheelock, it
15 looks like there's still a parcel over there that--

16 MORLAN: There's--again, that's--I--I'm not sure--

17 SESSIONS: The--the portion is about 300 feet off of
18 Wheelock that still exists as Douglass Road, and it
19 has access to--to one house. So, it's--it's just--
20 right now, it's actually just a driveway into Jerry
21 Baker's house, and--or Vevard's barn area.

22 BLOOM: So, of course, we won't vacate that, and we
23 won't vacate the end down there. So, Douglass Road
24 is simply being re-routed, and it will continue from
25 Wheelock to Schwartz, but relocated?

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1 MORLAN: Yeah, via Chapman's Boulevard.

2 BLOOM: I see that. Okay. Thank you.

3 IRVING: Do you have anything else that you'd like to
4 add?

5 SESSIONS: I think that about covers it.

6 IRVING: Okay. Thank you very much. Do we have
7 anyone else that is here to speak in favor of this
8 vacation? (No response.) Okay. Hearing none, do we
9 have anyone here to speak against the vacation? Are
10 you doing both sides, for and against today, or what,
11 Michelle?

12 WOOD: I'm just sitting here.

13 IRVING: Okay. Anyone else that is here to speak

14 against the petition? (No response.) May I have a
15 motion to close the public hearing?

16 PETERS: I'll make a motion to close the public
17 hearing.

18 BLOOM: Second.

19 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

20 BLOOM: Aye.

21 PETERS: Aye.

22 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. We have two choices
23 here today, we can hold the authority to continue our
24 discussion on this, or we can vote on this. So, I
25 would like to have a motion--entertain a motion to

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1 either delay this for further discussion, or a vote
2 to approve.

3 PETERS: I'd make a motion to approve Vacation
4 Petition #380/06.

5 BLOOM: Second.

6 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

7 BLOOM: Aye.

8 PETERS: Aye.

9 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Can I also have a
10 motion to waive the second reading on this project.

11 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we waive the second
12 reading.

13 PETERS: I'll second it.

14 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

15 PETERS: Aye.

16 BLOOM: Aye.

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

18 WOOD: Thank you very much.

19 IRVING: Congratulations, Mr. Sessions.

20 Consideration of a Vacation Bank Request from the
21 Allen County War Memorial Coliseum.

22 BROWN: Good morning folks.

23 IRVING: Good morning.

24 BLOOM: Good morning, Randy.

25 PETERS: Good morning.

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1 BROWN: I am Randy Brown, General Manager of the
2 Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, and I come before
3 you today to request your consideration for creating
4 a vacation bank for an employee of the Coliseum.

5 Unfortunately, with HIPAA laws, I can't say too much
6 about the nature of--

7 IRVING: Right.

8 BROWN: --the incident--or the--the ailment, I can't
9 talk about the employee, but we are talking a
10 significant medical concern, someone who has been an
11 employee of the Coliseum for a few years now, not a
12 long term employee, but a dedicated member of our
13 staff. The vacation bank, as noted in the
14 Supervisor's Policy Handbook, is for employees--
15 employees may contribute to the vacation bank their
16 unused vacation days, for use for another employee,
17 for circumstances beyond the employee's control. It
18 must be for--the employee must be off work for what
19 would be--otherwise be deemed an unexcusable absence,
20 and is ineligible for paid time off. The individual
21 noted is nearly at the end of his sick time, and we
22 do have in--employees of the Coliseum, including
23 myself, who are willing to donate vacation time for
24 this individual. And, that's--I'll answer any
25 questions that I can.

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1 IRVING: We're very, very fortunate that we have such
2 a--strong employees, that we've been able to do this
3 for several other different departments.

4 BLOOM: I'd like to make a motion to allow the
5 Coliseum to have a vacation bank request for one of
6 their employees.

7 PETERS: I'll--I'll second that.

8 IRVING: Is there any more discussion?

9 PETERS: Yeah, I've got a question either for Mr.
10 Brown or Mr. Fishering. We--we do have a policy, as
11 denoted on page 23 of the Supervisor's Policy Manual,
12 is this indeed in conformance with that policy?

13 FISHERING: The only thing that I know of was if the
14 person was not full-time.

15 IRVING: Could you introduce yourself, please, for
16 the record.

17 FISHERING: Oh, I'm Bill Fishering, the County
18 Attorney. As far as I know, this is in conformance,
19 unless--I have not verified the person's full-time.

20 BROWN: I can assure you the individual is a full-
21 time Coliseum employee--or County employee.

22 PETERS: Okay.
23 BLOOM: I had already checked on that, yes.
24 PETERS: And, have we had other situations in which
25 allowances have been made under this policy?

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1 BLOOM: Yes.
2 IRVING: Yes.
3 FISHERING: A number of them.
4 PETERS: Okay.
5 BROWN: I was encouraged to come forward because this
6 has been a procedure that has been used in the past.
7 PETERS: Right.
8 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).
9 PETERS: Okay. I just wanted to make sure.
10 BROWN: Okay. No--I understand.
11 PETERS: Okay. I'm good.
12 IRVING: It's been moved and seconded, all in favor
13 say "aye."
14 BLOOM: Aye.
15 PETERS: Aye.
16 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
17 BROWN: And, thank you for your consideration with
18 this. And, certainly, thank you to all the Coliseum
19 employees who are willing to donate--
20 BLOOM: Absolutely.
21 IRVING: That's right.
22 BROWN: --their excess vacation time to help this
23 family.
24 IRVING: And--
25 BLOOM: Thank you.

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1 IRVING: --would you make sure that you tell your
2 individual, since with the HIPAA regulations we don't
3 know who it is, that we're wishing them a swift and
4 quick recovery.
5 BROWN: I will do that.
6 IRVING: Thank you very much.
7 BROWN: Have a good day.
8 BLOOM: Thank you.
9 IRVING: Addition to the Allen County Code: Title 12
10 (Financial), Article 139 (YMCA/Youth Services Bureau
11 Fund) and Sub-grant Agreement between Allen County
12 and the YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne/Youth Services

13 Bureau. Well, good morning.
14 PRATT: Good morning.
15 RUSHER: Good morning.
16 BLOOM: Good morning.
17 IRVING: You can come right up here beside our County
18 Attorney. We may not have you on TV as much, but,
19 you know, we know the Judge likes to be on TV.
20 PRATT: Yeah, right. I'm Charles Pratt, I'm a judge
21 of the Allen Superior Court.
22 RUSHER: And, I'm Kate Rusher, I'm the Assistant
23 Chief for Judge Pratt in Allen Superior Court.
24 BARNES: And, I'm Greg Barnes of the YMCA Youth
25 Service Bureau.

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1 IRVING: Hi, how are you?
2 BLOOM: Hi.
3 IRVING: Welcome.
4 PETERS: Morning.
5 PRATT: We are pleased to come before you because we
6 have, through the collaboration of efforts between
7 Kathy Rusher, from my office, and YMCA--and, Greg,
8 who else was in the collaborative effort for this
9 grant?
10 BARNES: About everybody in town.
11 PRATT: Pardon?
12 BARNES: About everybody in town it seems like.
13 PRATT: Yeah. It's a collaborative grant that is
14 going to increase youth services to--to children in
15 our community, and it's a Federal--influx of Federal
16 money of \$76,946.00 into the community for that
17 purpose. And, this grant--this ordinance request is
18 to create an account, and really in all intents and
19 purposes it's going to be a flow-thru, in that we
20 will receive the money and then disburse it to the
21 Youth Services Bureau of the YMCA, who will then
22 administer the grant and take care of the services.
23 So, we're asking for the ordinance for that purpose.
24 BLOOM: I'll make a motion to add to the Code, Title
25 12, Article 139, between Allen County and YMCA Youth

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1 Services.
2 PETERS: And--and the Sub-grant Agreement?
3 BLOOM: Yes.

4 PETERS: I knew that's what you meant.
5 BLOOM: Yes.
6 PETERS: I'll sec--I'll second that.
7 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
8 BLOOM: Aye.
9 PETERS: Aye.
10 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. And, thank you very
11 much.
12 RUSHER: Thank you.
13 PRATT: Thank you very much.
14 BLOOM: Thank you.
15 IRVING: Addition to the Allen County Code, Title 12
16 (Financial), Article 140, (Riverhaven CDBG Fund).
17 PETERS: Thanks to the great work of our Grant
18 Administrator, Lin Wilson, we've put ourselves in a
19 position where we have received a grant to explore
20 doing sewer and water out in the Riverhaven area.
21 But, because these are Federal funds, and they're not
22 to be commingled with other funds, we have to set up
23 a separate fund to make this work. So, having said
24 that, I would make a motion to approve the addition
25 to Allen County Code, Title 12, Article 140.

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1 BLOOM: I will second that. And, I don't even have
2 any questions because I've been aware of this also,
3 and this is a really good thing. They have
4 inadequate water and sewer, and if we're able to help
5 them this is a good thing.
6 IRVING: It's been moved and seconded. All in favor
7 say "aye."
8 PETERS: Aye.
9 BLOOM: Aye.
10 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. The one thing I would
11 like to add is Lin Wilson does our signing, and, Lin,
12 I know that we can't see you, but not only are you
13 very valuable to us as the grant writer, but you also
14 do a great job signing every single Wednesday. So,
15 wave to everybody so they know who our Lin Wilson is.
16 And, I hope she's doing that. We'll have to watch
17 tonight to see.
18 PETERS: Do we point down in the corner.
19 IRVING: Yeah, if we point to her, she's right there,
20 right? Appointment to the Fort Wayne-Allen County

21 Emergency Management Advisory Board.
22 ELSER: The name before you today is Robert
23 Zimmerman. He will serve as an appointment from
24 Woodburn, and this appointment is effective this
25 date, through December 31st, 2006.

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1 PETERS: I would make a motion that we approve the
2 appointment of Robert Zimmerman to the Emergency
3 Management Advisory Board.

4 BLOOM: Second.

5 IRVING: Is there any discussion? I have a question,
6 is he replacing someone, or did they just appoint
7 him? I--

8 PETERS: No, he's--

9 IRVING: --I know you told me, and I forgot.

10 PETERS: --he's replacing--

11 ELSER: Kris Rice.

12 PETERS: Thank you.

13 IRVING: Okay. It's been moved and seconded. All in
14 favor say "aye."

15 BLOOM: Aye.

16 PETERS: Aye.

17 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Consideration of a
18 lease agreement for a copy machine for use within the
19 Allen County Clerk's Office. Good morning. How are
20 you this morning?

21 BLOOM: Good morning Therese.

22 BROWN: Good morning Commissioners.

23 PETERS: Good morning.

24 BROWN: Therese Brown, Clerk of the Allen Circuit and
25 Superior Court. As you stated, I have before you a

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1 request for a lease agreement for a copy machine.
2 It's a Toshiba E-Studios 600 with a stapling
3 finisher. I feel that at this point in time I do not
4 have sufficient funds within my budget to be able to
5 purchase this outright, so I'm asking your permission
6 for a four year lease to fill the un--fill the needs
7 of my department.

8 PETERS: It's my understanding that the lease payment
9 is just about equivalent to what the--what the buyout
10 would be, right?

11 BROWN: I believe so, yes.

12 PETERS: I mean, it's--we're getting as good a deal
13 leasing as if we had bought it?
14 BROWN: Yes, sir.
15 PETERS: Yeah, I would make a motion that we approve
16 the lease agreement for the copy machine for use
17 within the Allen County Clerk's Office.
18 BLOOM: Second.
19 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
20 BLOOM: Aye.
21 IRVING: Aye.
22 BLOOM: Thank you.
23 BROWN: Thank you very much.
24 IRVING: Do you want to vote on that, and say "aye."
25 PETERS: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Okay. It's a unanimous vote. Thank you
2 very much. Consideration of agreement with KONE,
3 Incorporated, for upgrades to the elevator at 100
4 West Columbia Street, for \$3,276.00. I think both of
5 my partners are aware of this upgrade, and it is for
6 ADA compliance.
7 PETERS: I'll make a motion to approve the agreement
8 with KONE, Inc. for upgrades to the elevator at 100
9 West Columbia Street.
10 BLOOM: Second.
11 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
12 BLOOM: Aye.
13 PETERS: Aye.
14 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Thank you very much.
15 Approve traffic posting changes for Bishop Road, from
16 North County Line to State Road 1, post 45 miles per
17 hour speed limit.
18 BLOOM: So moved.
19 PETERS: We're finally getting that done.
20 BLOOM: Well--
21 PETERS: I'll second it.
22 BLOOM: --it's--we've had quite the problem out
23 there. We seem to have log trucks taking Bishop Road
24 as an alternate over to State Road 1. The speed out
25 there right now is 55. We've monitored the traffic,

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1 and the speed out there, and we are making the
2 suggestion to post it now at 45 mile an hour.

3 IRVING: Commissioner Bloom, I will have to say, that
4 is the longest second that I've ever heard.

5 BLOOM: Give me a break.

6 IRVING: Okay. It's been moved and seconded. All in
7 favor say "aye."

8 PETERS: Aye.

9 BLOOM: Aye.

10 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. That goes--Mr.
11 Hartman, maybe you ought to introduce yourself.

12 HARTMAN: Good morning, I'm Bill Hartman with the
13 Allen County Highway Department.

14 IRVING: This will go into effect?

15 HARTMAN: As soon as it's signed.

16 IRVING: Okay. And, our Sheriff's Department, the
17 signs will be changed, and then our Sheriff's

18 Department will give those people probably a little
19 grace period before he--since he's sitting there in

20 the second row, and I'm not getting--

21 BLOOM: Actually, we had 29 cars; 23 were within the
22 45 speed limit, we had one going 55, and--

23 IRVING: Was that you?

24 BLOOM: --whatever--two going 65.

25 IRVING: That was you.

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1 HERMAN: Yeah, the grace period will last probably
2 approximately five minutes.

3 IRVING: Okay. Well, can you at least, Sheriff, wait
4 until after this is viewed at 6:00 tonight, so at
5 least we can say, "It was televised"? Okay. Thank
6 you very much. Approve Encroachment Report for Grey
7 Oaks Development, LLC, to place entrance signs for
8 Grey Oaks, Section 1, to be located in the median of
9 the boulevard entrance of Grey Oaks Boulevard off
10 Covington Road.

11 BLOOM: So moved.

12 PETERS: I'll second it.

13 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

14 PETERS: Aye.

15 BLOOM: Aye.

16 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approve warranty deed
17 required for right of way dedication for Project B05-
18 03, Monroeville Road and Houk Road (Heritage High
19 School) from East Allen Multi School Building

20 Corporation.
21 BLOOM: So moved.
22 PETERS: I'll second that.
23 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
24 BLOOM: Aye.
25 PETERS: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approve QuitClaim
2 Deed required for right of way dedication for Project
3 B05-03, Monroeville Road and Houk Road--
4 BLOOM: Houk.
5 IRVING: --Houk Road (Heritage High School) from East
6 Allen County Schools.
7 BLOOM: So moved.
8 PETERS: I'll second it.
9 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
10 PETERS: Aye.
11 IRVING: Aye.
12 BLOOM: Aye.
13 IRVING: Motion carried. The 2005 Mileage
14 Certification Report.
15 BLOOM: This I want to hear.
16 HARTMAN: Well, this is--
17 BLOOM: Do you have the mileage certification
18 numbers?
19 HARTMAN: Susan has them. I don't have a copy.
20 BLOOM: All right.
21 HARTMAN: You folks have all of those. It's fourteen
22 hundred and some odd miles for last year.
23 ELSER: 14--1440.81 miles from 2004; new, accepted
24 and maintained streets in 2005 is 5.06 miles. So,
25 the 2005 requested mileage is 1,445.87 miles.

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1 BLOOM: Okay. I'll make a motion that we accept the
2 2005 Mileage Certification Report as we receive
3 monies or the mileage that we're responsible.
4 PETERS: I'll second that.
5 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
6 BLOOM: Aye.
7 PETERS: Aye.
8 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
9 HARTMAN: Thank you very much.
10 IRVING: Nothing else today?

11 HARTMAN: That's it.
12 IRVING: Okay. Thank you very much. Have a
13 wonderful week.
14 BLOOM: Thank you Bill.
15 IRVING: Plats for signature?
16 ELSER: There are no plats today.
17 IRVING: Okay. Other Business: Consideration of
18 Agreement between Allen County and Medical Staffing
19 Network, Incorporated. Sheriff, I'm disappointed, I
20 figured you came just because you missed us.
21 HERMAN: I did. Bill's going to do the presentation
22 --
23 SMALLWOOD: Yes.
24 HERMAN: --on this because he knows everything there
25 is to know.

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1 FISHERING: And--and he missed you more.
2 SMALLWOOD: I do? Hi. Bill Smallwood, Allen County
3 Sheriff's Department.
4 BLOOM: Hi, Bill.
5 IRVING: Hi, Bill, how are you today?
6 SMALLWOOD: Hi. Good. Good. This is just an
7 agreement with you folks and Medical Staffing to hire
8 temporary workers, nurses, QMAs.
9 BLOOM: This is the additional staffing that you have
10 over there through a service called Medical Staffing.
11 SMALLWOOD: Well, we--we're--we can't--we have three
12 nursing positions open down there we can't fill, so
13 we're trying to fill them with temps--
14 BLOOM: Okay. Okay.
15 SMALLWOOD: --until we get that done.
16 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we accept the
17 agreement between Allen County and the Medical
18 Staffing Network, Inc. for the Allen County Jail.
19 PETERS: I'll second that.
20 IRVING: Is there any discussion? I have a question
21 for you.
22 SMALLWOOD: Yes.
23 IRVING: I know and I have heard your plea to Council
24 about raising the--the salaries of the nurses, of
25 these three positions. Can you give us an update on

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1 where you're at with those, and what do you think are

2 either a cost savings, or how much is it costing the
3 County by not having our own--I notice your numbers
4 in the jail have not decreased a lot--
5 SMALLWOOD: No. Nuh-uh (negative). No.
6 IRVING: --can you give us an update?
7 SMALLWOOD: Well, they're looking at the wage summary
8 right now, of what the salaries should be--
9 IRVING: Okay.
10 SMALLWOOD: --so we're hoping that comes up. I can't
11 tell you exactly what they're being paid now, but I
12 know it's not--not enough.
13 IRVING: Right.
14 SMALLWOOD: We've had the--
15 BLOOM: Obviously.
16 SMALLWOOD: --those positions posted probably for
17 about four months, and we've been unable to fill
18 them. So--
19 BLOOM: Well, now you have a contract for the temps.
20 So--
21 SMALLWOOD: Right.
22 IRVING: How much an hour are we paying them then?
23 FISHERING: It's a scale.
24 IRVING: Or, it depends on their qualifications?
25 SMALLWOOD: You're right.

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1 BLOOM: Yeah, it's different amounts.
2 SMALLWOOD: Quite a--
3 FISHERING: Lengthy scale.
4 SMALLWOOD: Right.
5 BLOOM: We need to vote on this.
6 IRVING: Okay.
7 BLOOM: The motions were made.
8 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
9 BLOOM: Aye.
10 PETERS: Aye.
11 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
12 SMALLWOOD: Okay. Thank you.
13 IRVING: By the looks of--the reason that I'm asking
14 that is because of the looks of these--these
15 salaries, they go anywhere from--from, what is it,
16 \$41.50 an hour to \$18.00 an hour, and I know that the
17 calculations that you had for the nurses were right
18 about that eighteen and--

19 SMALLWOOD: Right. And, we--we're with another
20 temporary agency right now, and they were at a lower
21 figure, but they can't place them either. So--

22 BLOOM: Is that right?

23 SMALLWOOD: Right. So--

24 IRVING: Okay.

25 BLOOM: Well, good luck.

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1 IRVING: Okay.

2 BLOOM: Hope we can--

3 HERMAN: We may have to outsource, you know.

4 SMALLWOOD: Yeah. Thank you.

5 BLOOM: --yeah, hope we can fill those.

6 IRVING: Thank you for joining us. Can I have a
7 motion to approve the--

8 BLOOM: I have other business.

9 IRVING: Well, okay. She does? Oh, okay. Do we
10 have any other business?

11 BLOOM: Here is our latest and greatest 2005 Annual
12 Report, which by the way is three months earlier than
13 last year. It's--it's got a lot of wonderful

14 information in here, stating what the County and the
15 Commissioners have done in 2005. We are releasing
16 this tonight, it sounds like a--

17 IRVING: A hit record.

18 BLOOM: --uh-huh (affirmative)--

19 IRVING: It's being released.

20 BLOOM: --tonight at the "Commissioner's Night Out,"
21 at Hoagland Elementary School. It's our second
22 report. It's an opportunity to see that we've made
23 ourselves more accountable and have the citizens know
24 where their tax dollars are going. It will soon be
25 in library branches and government offices. If any

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1 of you would like copies of these, we'll send you a
2 copy, or you can get them on-line at
3 www.allencounty.us. And, please feel free to review
4 and comment on this. Quite a nice looking annual
5 report here, with my favorite picture, that's going
6 to be on every one of them, I hope, and it's the 93
7 mile marker on 69, and it says "Allen County." And,
8 it makes us all feel so safe when we're traveling and
9 see this Allen County sign, knowing we're home.

10 IRVING: That's very true.
11 BLOOM: So, that is my favorite little picture here.
12 Anyway, please feel free to call us, get it on-line,
13 the libraries will have it, and we would like all of
14 you to see it if you're interested. Thank you.
15 IRVING: Commissioner Bloom--
16 BLOOM: What?
17 IRVING: --I could, you know, for an auction item--
18 BLOOM: Yeah.
19 IRVING: --I'd be willing to tell the story, if
20 raised enough money, about why that mile marker is so
21 near and dear to your heart.
22 BLOOM: I don't think that's necessary, do you?
23 IRVING: Okay. I just got his wallet, too bad
24 there's no money in it. We just got paid today.
25 Okey dokey, are--may I have a comment to waive the
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1 second reading today?
2 PETERS: I'll make a motion to approve to waive the
3 2nd reading on any matter approved today and for
4 which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative
5 Session of March 15th, 2006.
6 BLOOM: Second.
7 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."
8 PETERS: Aye.
9 IRVING: Aye.
10 BLOOM: Aye.
11 IRVING: Are there any comments from the public
12 today? (No response.) Seeing none, have a wonderful
13 weekend, we'll see you next Wednesday.
14 BLOOM: Thank you.

15 (Adjourned 10:36 a.m.)

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2 COUNTY OF ALLEN)

3 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

4 I, Rhonda M. Mullholand, a Notary Public in and for
5 the State of Indiana, County of Allen, do hereby
6 certify that the above and foregoing is a true and
7 accurate transcript of the Board of Commissioners' of
8 the County of Allen, Legislative Session, held before
9 me on March 15, 2006, in the Allen County
10 Commissioners' Courtroom, Room 200, City-County
11 Building, 1 East Main Street, Fort Wayne, Allen
12 County, Indiana; that I am not related to, employed
13 by or interested in any of the parties to this cause
14 of action.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my
16 hand and seal this 16th day of March, 2006.

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18 _____
19 Rhonda M. Mullholand, Notary Public
20 Residing in Allen County, Indiana

My Commission Expires:

21 June 21, 2009

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