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10 MARCH 29, 2006

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 City-County Building
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 Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802

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REPORTER: M. Joshua Osbun

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- Lorie Mayer Fort Wayne-Allen County
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- 18 Lieutenant Brian Knuth Allen County Sheriff's
- Department
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13. Comments from the Public --

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1 BLOOM: Good morning, and welcome to the
2 Commissioners Legislative Session, March 29th. First
3 we're going to honor our country and a silent moment,
4 please.

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

7 BLOOM: Approval of the minutes of March 22nd.

8 PETERS: I make a motion to approve the minutes of
9 March 22nd.

10 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
11 "aye."

12 PETERS: Aye.

13 BLOOM: Aye. This morning we have a proclamation to
14 give to the Child Abuse Awareness Month, and I would
15 like to have--Commissioner Peters and I are going to
16 come down here. And would--are you coming up, Judge?

17 PRATT: Yeah.

18 BLOOM: Please. The Prosecutor, please.

19 (At this time, Commissioners Bloom and
20 Peters are joined by Judge Pratt,
21 Prosecuting Attorney Richards, and Cindy
22 Scott down in front of the audience.)
23 BLOOM: This is a really important month for a lot of
24 special people, and the Allen County Board of
25 Commissioners have a proclamation.

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1 Allen County Board of Commissioners
2 Proclamation
3 Whereas, Every child deserves to grow up feeling
4 secure, loved, and protected; and
5 Whereas, Sadly, for some children, fear, pain, and
6 rejection become a way of life; and
7 Whereas, Child abuse and neglect is a universal
8 problem that requires the efforts of the
9 entire community to solve; and
10 Whereas, Family support agencies need donations of
11 money, clothing and supplies as well as
12 volunteers to serve as foster parents,
13 mentors and legal advocates for children;
14 and
15 Whereas, We challenge all parents and caregivers
16 to take a new look at the way they
17 interact with children and, if needed,
18 make a change, seek help and make a
19 difference in the life of a child;
20 NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of
21 the County of Allen, Indiana, hereby
22 proclaims April 2006, as
23 Child Abuse Awareness Month
24 in Allen County, and encourages all residents
25 to become a part of the solution that will

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1 put an end to child abuse and neglect.
2 This proclamation signed by the Board of
3 Commissioners of the County of Allen,
4 Indiana, on the 29th day of March, 2006.
5 Irving, Bloom, and Peters.
6 PETERS: Let me just say, with all that can go wrong
7 in a child's life in their formative stages, we thank
8 you especially for all that you do to help protect
9 the children in Allen County.

10 PRATT: Thank you, Nelson. I think it's
11 extraordinary that the executive branch of a county--
12 I don't know of any other county that recognizes and
13 understands that this is Child Abuse Awareness Month.
14 I don't know of any other community where the
15 executive branch has taken the steps that you have in
16 supporting the reforms that we've been able to--to
17 our kids and for our families, and this community is
18 richer because of that.

19 BLOOM: Thank you.

20 RICHARDS: Thank you, and I also wanted to thank you.

21 I am the team coordinator of Child Protection Team,
22 which is a team made up of local community folks from
23 different walks of life who are here to help protect
24 our children. We are also a review of Child
25 Protective Services and a support for them, and we

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1 want to thank you also for bringing April as Child
2 Abuse Awareness Month to the public because all of us
3 can do something to help children, whether it is
4 report someone that we feel is abusing or neglecting
5 their children, whether it's to become a foster
6 parent, and advocate in court, there's something that
7 all of us can do, and we all need to support good
8 parenting and the ability of children to grow up
9 happy and abuse-free, so thank you for bringing this
10 to public attention.

11 BLOOM: Thank you.

12 PETERS: Thanks.

13 RICHARDS: We appreciate it.

14 PRATT: You have with you Cindy Scott, and Cindy has
15 been the head of the Foster Parents Association in
16 this community for a long time and is one of the ones
17 that's in the trenches who has single-handedly made
18 the difference in the lives of many, many children.

19 BLOOM: Thank you.

20 SCOTT: Thank you.

21 PETERS: Great. Cindy, thanks so much. We
22 appreciate it.

23 SCOTT: Thank you.

24 PRATT: Thank you very much.

25 (At this time, all participants in the

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1 proclamation return to their seats.)

2 BLOOM: Rezoning Petition 1570/06: Petition to rezone
3 property for the development of a 21-lot attached
4 single-family residential subdivision. Good morning.

5 WOOD: Good morning.

6 PETERS: Good morning.

7 WOOD: Michelle Wood with the Department of Planning
8 Services. The petition in front of you today is
9 Rezoning 1570/06. It is a primary plat and
10 development plan for the Coves of Morgan Creek,
11 Section 2. This is for a 21-lot attached single-
12 family, which is actually--will be 42 units because
13 they are attached. It's like a duplex, but they're
14 owned. The entire half of the unit and the lot is
15 sold, not just rented or not just the unit like a
16 condominium, so that's why we do call it attached
17 single-family residential.

18 It does require an RSP-2/Planned Two-Family
19 Residential zoning, and that is why it is in front of
20 you today. This is part of Morgan Creek, which
21 Morgan Creek and Stone Canyon, both these
22 subdivisions on the north side of Bass Road were
23 developed--approved and started developing between
24 2000 and 2002. I believe this would be the very last
25 section that would be a part of these subdivisions.

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1 It's a logical extension. There's a stub
2 street going into this property from Morgan Creek and
3 Stone Canyon. It's a piece of property that the
4 developer acquired after their original approvals for
5 the other subdivisions. It will have, as I said, 21
6 lots which will eventually be split into 42 units.

7 They--it's a little interesting. They had to
8 ask for some waivers from our development plan
9 standards because of how it will be split in the
10 future. If you look at it now it meets every
11 ordinance minimum for lot width and for square
12 footage of the lot, but when they sell a unit they
13 will split it down the middle in the legal
14 description, and then it wouldn't quite meet our
15 ordinance standards, so we have--the Plan Commission
16 did grant them waivers. This is typical. They've
17 done it in a previous section in Morgan Creek, so

18 it's very typical for this type of development.

19 And we did not receive any remonstrance. It
20 was recommended do-pass unanimously. And the Plan
21 Commission did approve unanimously the plat. And
22 it's at 5.78 units per acre. And I can answer any
23 questions.

24 PETERS: Michelle, what did you say about it being
25 the last of something?

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1 WOOD: If you look at the ground that they have, it's
2 probably the last section that they can develop of--
3 of Morgan Creek and Stone Canyon. Now, I can't say
4 that with any guarantee. They could acquire land to
5 the east. I believe that's not under their control
6 now. This--the way this is designed it does not have
7 a stub street going further to the east, so this
8 should be a last little section in this area.

9 On your aerial you'll see a lot of
10 undeveloped ground, but that's actually been platted
11 since the aerial was taken. To the--to the north and
12 west it doesn't show that there are any lots there,
13 but that has been developed since this aerial.

14 PETERS: Where is the entrance to that?

15 WOOD: The entrance is from Bass Road. If you can
16 picture where Thomas Road comes into Bass, and that--
17 on the north side of Bass Road is the entrance to
18 Morgan Creek. It's actually Morgan Creek Drive.
19 That's one entrance. There's actually several
20 entrances that could eventually get you to this
21 section. There are entrances--two entrances to Stone
22 Canyon to the west. There's an entrance on the north
23 off of Hayman Road going into Hidden Point, which is
24 part of Stone Canyon. So I think all-in-all there's
25 one--t--there's at least four entrances that can get

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1 you to this subdivision. But the most direct is
2 definitely Morgan Creek Drive from Bass Road.

3 PETERS: I did, just for the record, receive a call
4 from a young lady who happened to live out on Rothman
5 Road, which is out northeast, and her concern was
6 that we continually develop where she doesn't believe
7 we ought to be developing, and one of the things that
8 I explained to her was up to this point the utilities

9 had pretty much dictated how and where we develop,
10 but that with the joint comprehensive plan or with
11 Plan-It Allen!, that would help steer some of that
12 development in the days to come. I don't know
13 whether that tempered her concerns, but nonetheless,
14 she was provided with that explanation. She actually
15 told me about this subdivision before I had even
16 heard about it.

17 WOOD: Well, it's true with the comprehensive plan
18 nearing completion, of course it--it's still going
19 through the many drafts and it will need to be
20 presented to all the boards and elected officials and
21 the public for comment, the--the idea is that you do
22 have a plan, you do have--if not a specific land-use
23 plan, you are looking at specific policies and
24 standards that helps guide where development goes,
25 not--not one resource or utility like sewer and

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1 water.

2 PETERS: Right. Absolutely. I would make a motion
3 to approve Rezoning Petition 1570/06.

4 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
5 "aye."

6 PETERS: Aye.

7 BLOOM: Aye. Thank you.

8 WOOD: Thank you very much, Commissioners.

9 PETERS: Thank you.

10 BLOOM: Consideration of a Sub-grant Agreement
11 between Allen County and the U.S. Department of
12 Homeland Security for Fort Wayne-Allen County
13 Homeland Security 2005 salaries.

14 MAYER: Good morning.

15 PETERS: Good morning. I was actually going to do
16 this for you, but go ahead.

17 BLOOM: Good morning.

18 MAYER: Good morning.

19 BLOOM: I'd rather listen to her.

20 PETERS: Me, too.

21 MAYER: Sorry, Nelson. The sub-grant agreement
22 before you is for the reimbursement of the director,
23 assistant director, and secretary's position in the
24 previously-called Emergency Management Agency for
25 2005. The amount is 52,624.64 [\$53,624.64].

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1 PETERS: One of the things I didn't ask when you and
2 I spoke about this, that does indeed cover half?
3 MAYER: Half of salaries only.
4 PETERS: And those are the salaries for?
5 MAYER: Ed Laroque, myself, and Mindy Woods.
6 BLOOM: For 2005?
7 MAYER: For 2005.
8 PETERS: And Mindy's salary was based on a full-time
9 appropriation?
10 MAYER: Part-time, because half of it was paid out of
11 a grant, a Homeland Security grant, so we can only
12 get reimbursed what the County paid out which was--
13 PETERS: What the County paid out last year?
14 BLOOM: Yeah.
15 MAYER: --the County paid out 18-four [\$18,400.00].
16 PETERS: I'm with you. Right. Right.
17 BLOOM: Okay.
18 MAYER: So half of that was nine-two [\$9,200.00]--
19 PETERS: Right.
20 MAYER: --so--but she got a full-time salary because
21 the grant made up the difference.
22 BLOOM: Exactly.
23 PETERS: I'm with you. Okay, I make a motion to
24 approve the Sub-grant Agreement between Allen County
25 and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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1 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
2 "aye."
3 PETERS: Aye.
4 BLOOM: Aye.
5 MAYER: Thank you.
6 BLOOM: Thank you, Lorie.
7 PETERS: Thank you.
8 BLOOM: Consideration of a Nondisclosure Mutual
9 Confidentiality Agreement between Allen County and
10 SentryPoints LLC. Good morning, Ed.
11 PETERS: Good morning.
12 STEENMAN: Good morning.
13 PETERS: I was going to do this for you, but I see
14 you sitting there.
15 BLOOM: I'd rather hear Ed.
16 STEENMAN: Thank you, Linda.

17 PETERS: Me, too,

18 STEENMAN: This--this agreement is, as you said,
19 between the County and SentryPoints and is part of
20 the SentryPoints feasibility study and just puts in
21 place a document that prevents disclosure of any
22 information that--that they gain during this project.

23 BLOOM: Right. Right.

24 STEENMAN: There's--

25 PETERS: That really--

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1 STEENMAN: --no cost--

2 PETERS: --allows us--

3 STEENMAN: --involved.

4 PETERS: --to get to the next step of what we need to
5 do in this process.

6 STEENMAN: Correct. It--it allows--it's a
7 requirement from Spillman before they'll participate
8 in any discussions with SentryPoints in helping get
9 through this project.

10 BLOOM: Great.

11 PETERS: I make a motion to approve the Nondisclosure
12 and Mutual Confidentiality Agreement between Allen
13 County and SentryPoints LLC.

14 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
15 "aye."

16 PETERS: Aye.

17 BLOOM: Aye.

18 STEENMAN: Thank you very much.

19 BLOOM: Thank you, Ed. Request from the Allen County
20 Sheriff's Department for consideration on the
21 following grants. Good morning.

22 KNUTH: Good morning.

23 PETERS: Good morning. I wasn't going to do this for
24 you guys. There's too much of it there.

25 KNUTH: I didn't think so.

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1 BLOOM: But I wanted to hear you this time.

2 KNUTH: Actually, there's four grants--

3 BLOOM: Yes.

4 KNUTH: --we'd like to apply for. The first one is
5 the Bulletproof Vest Partnership. It's a U.S.
6 Department of Justice grant. We've participated
7 since 1998. It pays up to 50% of the cost of a vest

8 for police officers or confinement officers. The
9 amount's going to be determined by the Justice
10 Department. It's based on population, how many grant
11 requests they receive. We have received between 900
12 [\$900.00] and \$4,000.00 per year since that time.
13 The Sheriff always pays the remainder out of the
14 commissary, so there's no cost to the County on that
15 grant.

16 BLOOM: Okay. I was going to ask that.

17 KNUTH: And like I said--and of course the price of
18 the vests continues to rise. This year they're,
19 like, almost \$1100.00 per vest, so that's--that--

20 PETERS: Does that increase because of--

21 KNUTH: The war.

22 PETERS: --natural inflation or does it increase
23 because--

24 KNUTH: The war.

25 PETERS: --tech--oh, okay.

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1 KNUTH: The war. I mean, because of the kevlar--
2 demand for kevlar.

3 PETERS: Are--

4 KNUTH: It's driving the price up.

5 PETERS: --do they make technological advancements
6 annually on those things?

7 KNUTH: Yeah, they do. They've improved the quality
8 of the kevlar. Over the years it's gotten thinner
9 but with the same amount of protection. But yeah,
10 they--technologically they have improved over the
11 years.

12 BLOOM: So now not only as safe but less bulky?

13 KNUTH: A lot less bulky.

14 BLOOM: Yeah, a lot more comfortable. Good.

15 KNUTH: Yes.

16 BLOOM: You did not identify yourselves. Would you
17 please?

18 KNUTH: Oh, okay. Lieutenant Brian Knuth, Allen
19 County Sheriff's Department.

20 BLOOM: Thank you.

21 SICKAFOOSE: Kelly Sickafoose, Grant Manager for the
22 Sheriff's Department.

23 BLOOM: Thank you.

24 KNUTH: The second grant, it's a D.A.C., or Drug and

25 Alcohol Consortium, grant through the Justice Arena
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1 of D.A.C. It's for four digital in-car cameras at a
2 cost of \$4,840.00. That money comes from D.U.I.
3 arrests where 200 [\$200.00] of the cost if paid by
4 the defendant. Fifty dollars [\$50.00] of that goes
5 to the State and \$150.00 goes to D.A.C. We're
6 wanting to start replacing our older equipment to
7 digital. The Prosecutor's Office is going digital
8 and we have cameras that are failing now, the old
9 V.H.S., and we'll start replacing those over time.
10 There's no match required for this grant. It's just
11 straight out of the D.A.C. funding.

12 PETERS: All right.

13 BLOOM: Next one?

14 KNUTH: Next one, it's another D.A.C. grant. This
15 would come out of the Prevention fund. What we're
16 applying for is the D.U.I. Safety Bug and a safety
17 simulator. It's a project out of Pennsylvania.

18 We've had the Safety Bug here for the last two years
19 and it was paid for by State Farm. That funding is
20 going away. And then we've only had it for a week.

21 And the reason we want the Safety Bug and
22 simulator, the Safety Bug requires a parking lot 200
23 feet by 150 feet with no obstructions, light poles,
24 curb stops, and there's only, like, six high schools
25 in Allen County that fulfill that requirement. Well,

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1 the other high schools are interested in similar
2 projects, and that's where the simulator comes in
3 that's provided by the same program. So hopefully,
4 you know, we can get to more high schools. Like
5 Woodlan, they've just been left out in the cold.
6 Their lot isn't big enough, it's not designed
7 properly, and this would give us a chance to reach
8 some of those schools as well.

9 The total cost of the grant we're applying
10 for is \$10,100.00, and that does cover the cost for
11 two weeks in a hotel room, which we must provide for
12 the operator of those items.

13 PETERS: Now you just mentioned two weeks, yet the
14 notes I have show one week.

15 KNUTH: No, it--no--

16 PETERS: It is two weeks?

17 KNUTH: --it is two weeks. Really what we'd like to
18 do is Safety Bug week one and then the simulator week
19 two is how we would do it.

20 PETERS: How many high schools can you get to?

21 KNUTH: One a day, minimum. What--we're going to try
22 the simulator this year for the first time, and--but
23 the Safety Bug can only do one a day because of the
24 set-up time and the tear-down time and moving it, and
25 we've been really successful with that program. The

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1 students--depending on how the high school operates,
2 if you can have an individual drive and two
3 passengers and maybe rotate drivers, or just do three
4 and then the next group, and I know when we did Leo
5 High School we pretty much got through the whole high
6 school. They would put an upper classman and two
7 lower classmen in the vehicle, and we pretty much got
8 through the whole high school in one day.

9 Along with these programs we do things like
10 the D.U.I. goggles. One case in--we're going to try
11 to combine with the State, they have the D.U.I. golf
12 cart. You don't have to be a licensed driver and
13 we're trying to work that program. The nice thing is
14 the students get to get involved. Their S.A.D.D.
15 groups become actively involved in this. Homestead
16 used it as a fund raiser last year for their S.A.D.D.
17 group in the evening. It was a fantastic program.

18 PETERS: Lieutenant, I'm about one or two years
19 removed from high school anyways, but suppose I were
20 back there, what--take me through--what would I
21 learn? What would I gain from that experience?

22 KNUTH: Okay, the Safety Bug is unique in that it--
23 it's a Volk--well, they actually have three cars now,
24 but the one we've had is a Volkswagen, and what it
25 simulates--you go through an obstacle course. The

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1 first time--and you think you're going pretty fast,
2 but you're only doing about--

3 PETERS: So I'm actually driving?

4 KNUTH: You're actually driving that Volkswagen. You
5 have--their operator's in the other front seat and he
6 has some switches. When you go through the course

7 once--the second time through the course he throws a
8 switch as you--you approach a row of cones just wide
9 enough for that car, and that car will pull to the
10 left or right, but it's timed--you can't recover for
11 1/10 of a second which is the same as having one
12 alcoholic beverage. And you realize, just one
13 alcoholic beverage, you can spin that wheel pretty
14 fast and the car doesn't respond, and the next thing
15 you know you're taking out all of these cones. And
16 like I said, it's not driving drunk. That's one
17 alcoholic beverage. It shows that just that one
18 drink you lose that much response time.

19 The simulator--like I said, this is our first
20 attempt at the simulator, and the nice thing about
21 the simulator, it's in a trailer and you don't have
22 to be a licensed driver. But there again, they can
23 make you intoxicated by--by changing your reflexes,
24 you know, the response of the car, but they can--on
25 the simulator they can also change weather

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1 conditions, and that would be helpful.

2 We currently have some students at some
3 schools where students have died, and they will tell
4 you to this day it was the weather. It had nothing
5 to do with the fact that that student was almost
6 twice the legal limit. And so that will make them
7 realize no, it's not the weather. It's you. So I
8 think that's the learning experience that--that they
9 get out of it.

10 PETERS: And when are you going to do that?

11 KNUTH: Well, actually it would be spring of next
12 year. It gives us a full year to plan. You actually
13 have to reserve these items in the fall for next
14 spring. And we try to plan it around prom/graduation
15 time. You know, like I say, you get the--the nice
16 thing about this funding versus State Farm, State
17 Farm--and they've been fantastic to us, don't get me
18 wrong.

19 BLOOM: Oh, I know they have.

20 KNUTH: They really have been, and we really
21 appreciate everything they've done--but the funding
22 comes so late in the year the schools don't have but
23 maybe a month or two to plan for the program. You

24 know, this grant would hopefully be available this
25 summer, and it gives the schools, you know, eight,
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1 nine months to plan an event which would be a lot
2 better, a lot better.

3 PETERS: That's great. It sounds like a good
4 program. What's the next one?

5 KNUTH: The last one, it's from Subaru of Indiana
6 Automotive. It is an equipment grant which are--are
7 rare, and this grant, we're requesting \$8,000.00.

8 It's no match. We're currently assigning two
9 officers to track on a full-time basis the 514 sex
10 offenders in Allen County. This grant will provide
11 them with the equipment--computers, a printer,
12 binoculars, and a scope--needed to help perform that
13 function. The officers have to maintain all the
14 information including the locations on all sex
15 offenders and update the information to that sex
16 offender base, and that's what this equipment would
17 be used for.

18 PETERS: All right, I make a motion to approve the
19 following grants: the Bulletproof Vest Partnership
20 Grant, the Drug and Alcohol Consortium of Allen
21 County Grant for digital in-car cameras, the Drug and
22 Alcohol Consortium of Allen County Grant for the
23 Safety Bug and D.U.I Simulator, and the Grant from
24 Subaru of Indiana Automotive.

25 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
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1 "aye."

2 PETERS: Aye.

3 BLOOM: Aye. And thank you for doing--

4 KNUTH: Thank you.

5 BLOOM: --such--

6 PETERS: We appreciate it.

7 BLOOM: --a good job--

8 KNUTH: Thank you.

9 SICKAFOOSE: Thank you.

10 BLOOM: --to bring this to the Department. Renewal
11 of maintenance agreement with MGE UPS Systems for the
12 Uninterruptible Power Supply System for the Justice
13 Center.

14 PETERS: Dan, are you doing that or are we doing

15 that?

16 FRECK: I'm not doing it, sir.

17 PETERS: Okay, this is--

18 FISHERING: He finally gets to talk.

19 PETERS: --this is a contract that is exactly what it

20 says, to provide for a system to keep the buildings

21 up and running.

22 BLOOM: Those are the different kinds.

23 PETERS: Right. I believe the--I believe the cost

24 was \$2,616.00.

25 ELSER: It's at the top of the second page, I think,

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1 up at that very very top.

2 PETERS: I lucked out.

3 BLOOM: Yipes. Oh, brother.

4 PETERS: So I'd make a motion to--

5 BLOOM: This is a renewal?

6 PETERS: Right.

7 BLOOM: Okay.

8 PETERS: --to approve the renewal of maintenance

9 agreement with MGE UPS Systems for the

10 Uninterruptible Power Supply System at the Allen

11 County Justice Center and jail.

12 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying

13 "aye."

14 PETERS: Aye.

15 BLOOM: Aye. Amendment to an existing KONE Complete

16 Maintenance Agreement for addition of a Montgomery

17 Hydraulic Passenger elevator located at 100 West

18 Columbia in our new courts building. Good morning,

19 Dan.

20 FRECK: Good morning.

21 PETERS: Good morning.

22 FRECK: Dan Freck, Director of Buildings and Grounds.

23 This is just a--

24 BLOOM: Addition to--

25 FRECK: --addition to another--

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1 PETERS: That's \$156.00 a month, as I recall.

2 FRECK: Correct. It'll allow us to do our preventive

3 maintenance, hydraulic service, which is mandatory by

4 the State, and then part of this also will be

5 cleaning the elevator up for ADA compliant, and then

6 after that it'll be on a regular preventive
7 maintenance schedule like we do the rest of our
8 elevators.
9 BLOOM: On one monitor so we have it all together.
10 It's pretty hard for us to be in all those buildings,
11 and this is a good situation here.
12 PETERS: I make a motion to approve an amendment to
13 the existing KONE Maintenance Agreement for the
14 addition of the passenger elevator at the 100 West
15 Columbia Street building.
16 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
17 "aye."
18 PETERS: Aye.
19 BLOOM: Aye.
20 FRECK: Thank you.
21 BLOOM: Thank you.
22 PETERS: Thank you.
23 BLOOM: Do you have anything else? I don't think you
24 do today.
25 FRECK: No. No, I don't.

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1 BLOOM: Thank you.
2 FRECK: Thank you.
3 BLOOM: Approve and award Bid Reference #03-06,
4 Construction and rehabilitation of the Maysville Road
5 Bridge over--say that. I say "Keyster" (phonetic).
6 What's the name of the--
7 PRANGER: Koester (pronounced like "coaster").
8 Koester.
9 BLOOM: Koester. Huh. Bridge #109, to Pioneer,
10 total award 550,858.90 [\$550,858.90], under estimate
11 of 559,786.22 [\$559,786.22]. That was the
12 engineering estimate. A lot of variety, a lot of
13 differences in bid here, but the low bidder is
14 Pioneer Associates.
15 PETERS: Do you have any idea what may have caused--I
16 mean, I know you don't have that crystal ball--but
17 what may have caused that variety of bids? I think
18 we went from 550,000 [\$550,000.00] to as much as over
19 900,000 [\$900,000.00] as I recall. What might have
20 caused that? Any idea?
21 PRANGER: Well--
22 PETERS: And the middle bid, actually, was--

23 PRANGER: --the--the biggest--I guess I should
24 introduce myself. I'm Mike Pranger. I'm with the
25 Highway Department. The biggest disparity that--if
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1 you look on the bid tab that's attached to the--to
2 the award, item number one, R.L. McCoy had a bit of
3 \$285,000.00 for their removal of present structure
4 portions, and Pioneer's was only \$46,000.00. That--
5 that was the--the biggest--the biggest low in the
6 whole--you know, the differences in packages.

7 PETERS: What do you think, Mike, given your
8 experience, might have been--and, again, I'm asking
9 you to speculate--but what might have been their
10 reason for estimating 285,000 [\$285,000.00] for the
11 bridge removal as opposed to--you know, I see--I see
12 another one that--no, that's a different--wrong line.

13 Sorry. But, say, versus Pioneer's bid of 46,600
14 [\$46,600.00], what might have--

15 PRANGER: The only--the only explanation that I might
16 have, you know, might have seen, it might have been
17 a--you know, would have been that they put their
18 decimal point in the wrong place. You know, it could
19 have been an error on their part. They could have
20 been--you know, it could have been that they only
21 wanted to bid \$28,500.00.

22 BLOOM: Okay.

23 PETERS: Okay. It was just a real interesting bid.
24 I mean, the middle bid, too, there was a lot of
25 disparity between it and either the third bid or the

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1 top bid.

2 PRANGER: But that's--you know, after reviewing all
3 these--you know, the unit prices and that--

4 BLOOM: It's such a difference.

5 PRANGER: --it's such a difference that, you know, it
6 could have been an error on their part, you know, or
7 that's--

8 BLOOM: Thank you.

9 PETERS: Okay, I make a motion to approve and award
10 Bid Reference #03-06, Construction and rehabilitation
11 of the Maysville Road Bridge over the Koester Ditch.

12 BLOOM: You got it. I'll second that. All in favor
13 signify by saying "aye."

14 PETERS: Aye.

15 BLOOM: Aye. Approve and award Bid Reference #05-06,

16 Furnish and install traffic pavement markings on
17 various roads for 2006 to Three Rivers Barricade and
18 Equipment for a total of 302,964.16 [\$302,964.16].

19 I've reviewed this, and that is the low bidder. We
20 only had one other bid, and Three Rivers Barricade
21 and Equipment is the low bid.

22 The Engineer's Estimate was 298,494.29
23 [\$298,494.29]. I don't know what the difference is
24 here, but it looks like about a percent higher. We
25 can do projects or sign up with companies if it's

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1 less than five percent of the Engineer Estimate,
2 right?

3 PRANGER: That's correct. That's correct.

4 PETERS: Okay, I said I was only going to do this for
5 a year, but stupid new guy question. What would--
6 what would happen if, since neither one of those meet
7 the Engineer's Estimate, what would happen if we sent
8 them back out for bid.

9 PRANGER: Re-bid? Well, the--the--you would probably
10 get the same prices. You would probably get the same
11 prices. The--the--you know, the difference,
12 Commissioner Peters, Three Rivers Barricade--you
13 know, for example, on the item two, you know, the
14 Engineer's Estimate was \$0.07 of a linear foot, and
15 Three Rivers Barricade was \$0.073, and--and you're
16 looking at, you know--

17 BLOOM: On several things like that.

18 PRANGER: --on several things, that's--that's all
19 they are is--you know, they were under for the--you
20 know, we had 55--point--or \$0.055 on--on the four--
21 inch paint--paint lines, and they were \$0.054. So
22 you're--you know, you're looking at basically really
23 less than a cent.

24 PETERS: Okay, I understand. I make a motion to
25 approve and award Bid Reference #05-06, Furnish and

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1 install traffic pavement markings, Project #0002706
2 to Three Rivers Barricade and Equipment Company.

3 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
4 "aye."

5 PETERS: Aye.
6 BLOOM: Aye.
7 PRANGER: Thank you.
8 BLOOM: Thanks, Mike. Plats for signature this
9 morning?
10 ELSER: We have none.
11 BLOOM: Thank you. Any other business?
12 ELSER: We have no other business.
13 BLOOM: Thank you.
14 PETERS: I made a motion to approve to waive the
15 second reading on any matter approved today and for
16 which it may be deemed necessary for the Legislative
17 Session of March 29th, 2006.
18 BLOOM: Second. All in favor signify by saying
19 "aye."
20 PETERS: Aye.
21 BLOOM: Aye. Meeting adjourned. Any comments? Oh,
22 cripes. Any comments from the public? (No
23 response.) Hearing none, meeting adjourned.
24 (Adjourned 10:43 a.m.)
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) SS:
2 COUNTY OF ALLEN)
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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

5 I, M. Joshua Osbun, a Notary Public in and
6 for the State of Indiana, County of Allen, do hereby
7 certify that the above and foregoing is a true and
8 accurate transcript of the Board of Commissioners of
9 the County of Allen, Legislative Session, held before
10 me on March 29, 2006 in the Allen County
11 Commissioners' Courtroom, Room 200, City-County
12 Building, 1 East Main Street, Fort Wayne, Allen
13 County, Indiana; that I am not related to, employed
14 by or interested in any of the parties to this cause
15 of action.

16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my
17 hand and seal this 30th day of March, 2006.
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M. Joshua Osbun, Notary Public

20 Residing in Allen County, Indiana

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My Commission Expires:

22 May 14, 2010