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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEN

RE: LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF
 May 17, 2006

DATE: May 17, 2006

TIME: 10:08 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 200
 Commissioners Courtroom
 City-County Building
 1 East Main Street
 Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802

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Linda K. Bloom Allen County Commissioner

- 5 Susan Elser Commissioners Office
- 6 Mary Hitchens Allen County Public
- 7 Information Office
- 8 John McGauley Allen County Public
- Information Office
- 9 G. W. Fishing Allen County Counsel
- 10 Kimbra O'Brien Drug & Alcohol Consortium
- 11 Andy Downs Drug & Alcohol Consortium
- 12 Sean Murray Allen County Legislative
- 13 Liason
- 14 Bill Hartman Allen County Highway Dept.
- 15 Ozzie Mitson Fort Wayne Chamber of
- Commerce
- 16 Cmdr. Katherine Stevens Allen County Jail
- 17 Mindy Waldron Adm. Director, Fort
- 18 Wayne- Allen County Dept.
- of Health
- 19 John Silcox Fort Wayne-Allen County
- 20 Department of Health
- 21 Angie Chester
- 22 Kimberlee M. Adams Rolf Reporting, Inc.
- 23 Cindy Larson News Sentinel
- 24 Amanda Iacone Journal Gazette
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1 IRVING: Good morning, and welcome to the Wednesday,
 2 May 17th Legislative Session. Before we start the
 3 Pledge and our moment of silence, I would hope that
 4 in the moment of silence that we would all think
 5 about David Sanchez, the Fort Wayne local boy that
 6 was killed last week. So, could we have a Pledge and
 7 a moment of silence?

8 (At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was
 9 recited in unison, and a moment of silence
 10 was recognized by all.)

11 IRVING: Approval of the Minutes of the May 10th
 12 meeting.

13 BLOOM: So moved.

14 PETERS: Second.

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

16 PETERS: Aye.

17 BLOOM: Aye.

18 IRVING: Aye. Motion approved. Approval of the Drug
 19 & Alcohol Consortium, which is better known as DAC,
 20 D-A-C, requests for the funds to be allocated from
 21 the Drug Free Communities Fund for recommended
 22 programs. It's always a pleasure having you here.

23 DOWNS: Good morning. I--

24 BLOOM: Hi, Andy.

25 PETERS: Good morning.

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1 DOWNS: --get to come here about once a year it

2 seems.

3 IRVING: Well, you can come more often if you like.

4 DOWNS: Well, thank you very much. I may do that.

5 My name is Andy Downs. I am a representative from

6 the Drug & Alcohol Consortium. Particularly, I am

7 the Chair of the Public Policy and Research

8 Committee.

9 IRVING: Right.

10 DOWNS: In the audience today, we have Kimbra O'Brien

11 who is the President of the Drug & Alcohol

12 Consortium. She will now wave to everybody.

13 IRVING: Would you like to come and join us and

14 introduce yourself?

15 DOWNS: While she's walking up--

16 BLOOM: Good morning.

17 O'BRIEN: Good morning.

18 IRVING: Good morning.

19 DOWNS: --here--oh, she got here faster than I

20 figured she would.

21 IRVING: Get your 30 seconds of fame on TV.

22 O'BRIEN: Yeah. I'm--

23 IRVING: Would you like to introduce yourself?

24 O'BRIEN: Yes. I'm Kimbra O'Brien. I'm the

25 President of the Drug & Alcohol Consortium.

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1 IRVING: Welcome.

2 DOWNS: For those who don't know, the Drug & Alcohol

3 Consortium is the local coordinating council, in

4 other words, the body that helps to distribute the

5 Drug Community Funds that are collected for OWI

6 offenses that are prosecuted here in Allen County.

7 We're happy to mention that the organization is

8 growing. We're up to about 100 member organizations

9 and an additional 150 individuals who have joined

10 just because they are interested in the subject.

11 Individuals can join. You don't have to be a--

12 IRVING: Right.

13 DOWNS: --part of an organization. And a quick

14 summary, from last year--a very quick summary--last

15 year, there were about \$250,000.00 that were

16 distributed to entities to--to do work in the three

17 main areas for us which are justice, prevention, and

18 intervention and treatment. Intervention and

19 treatment being the third area together. Last year,
20 we also were lucky enough to receive from the
21 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
22 Administration Depart--Department of the HHS for the
23 federal government, a \$500,000.00 five-year grant
24 that we basically are a pass-through. We are moving
25 that money out into the fields that they can do work
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1 with that.

2 IRVING: Right.

3 DOWNS: And we also received a \$25,000.00 one-year
4 grant from the federal government as well. So we
5 think that we're--

6 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

7 DOWNS: --doing what we were hoping to do. Last
8 year, I believe, when we were here, we discussed
9 going after more aggressively some Federal and State
10 dollars, and we have been able to do some of that and
11 have been pretty effective. Today, though, we're
12 here to discuss the allocation of 2005 dollars which
13 are allocated in 2006. As usual, we requested
14 proposals from organizations. A committee that is a
15 part of the Drug & Alcohol Consortium then reviewed
16 those proposals and made recommendations. And
17 according to State's law, we have to distribute the
18 funds in the following way: 25% of those funds have
19 to go to justice, 25% to prevention, and 25% to--
20 percent to intervention and treatment. The remaining
21 25% can be used by the Drug & Alcohol Consortium for
22 operating costs and for programmatic things that we
23 do.

24 IRVING: Okay.

25 DOWNS: This year that works out to about 82

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1 [\$82,000.00], \$83,000.00 in each one of those areas.

2 This year, unlike other years though, we had one area
3 where we actually didn't even receive enough requests
4 to allocate \$83,000.00 or \$82,000.00 even if we
5 wanted to do so. And so, this year, unlike past
6 years, we have actually divided the distribution into
7 two separate segments. So you're hearing part one
8 today. We'll be back in September or October to--

9 BLOOM: Do the other.

10 DOWNS: --ask for the part two of it--

11 BLOOM: Okay.

12 DOWNS: --at that time. It's a much smaller amount
13 that we'll allocate at that time. Two of the
14 categories, basically, have enough--excuse me, two of
15 the categories do not have enough disbursement
16 requests today, those being justice, intervention and
17 treatment. I believe that you did receive a list of
18 the grant recommendations. And so, without taking up
19 any more of your time, I'll open up the floor to
20 questions.

21 BLOOM: So in other words, we're just approving the
22 one section right now, the prevention?

23 DOWNS: No, actually, you are approving dollars in
24 all--in all four areas.

25 IRVING: But you'll--

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1 DOWNS: Two of them, we'll be back to discuss--

2 BLOOM: Okay.

3 DOWNS: --to distribute the rest of the funds.

4 BLOOM: The--the remainder, okay.

5 DOWNS: Yes.

6 IRVING: My question, Andy, is some of--like
7 Crimestoppers, went from \$5,000.00 to no dollars.
8 Then you come down here to the Boy Scouts, went from
9 \$7500.00 to no dollars. United Hispanic Americans,
10 Incorporated went from \$20,000.00--was that the right
11 one? No, no, no, I'm sorry. The Urban Ministries
12 Center went from \$20,000.00 to zero. Then we have
13 the ASK, the Addictive Behavioral Counseling Center,
14 the Fort Wayne Women's Bureau, and Hope House that
15 all went from different amounts to zero. And then
16 the Whittington Homes, which I'm very familiar with,
17 I saw that they're dropped almost \$7,000.00. What--
18 what is the rhyme or reason? I mean, do all of these
19 organizations realize that they had "X" amou--that
20 they made a request and they're not getting any? I
21 know that Councilwoman Sandy Houlihan was--was very
22 adamant in making sure--I think it was her that made
23 sure that the Boy Scouts had their prevention
24 program--

25 BLOOM: Right.

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1 IRVING: --going.

2 BLOOM: Right.

3 IRVING: I guess, how did we come up with zeroing out
4 so many of these organizations? Is there a rhyme or
5 reason to this this year?

6 DOWNS: Well, there is no one rhyme or reason,
7 unfortunately. There are actually--

8 IRVING: Okay.

9 DOWNS: --a number of factors at play here. The Drug
10 & Alcohol Consortium has made a policy that we don't
11 want to be anyone's permanent funder.

12 IRVING: Right.

13 DOWNS: So we do sort of look for new projects. We
14 do look to--to give people a chance to try something
15 out. And if they're successful, we hope that they're
16 able to find other dollars to do it. So we typically
17 will fund a newer program--

18 BLOOM: Okay.

19 DOWNS: --new to us--

20 BLOOM: Okay.

21 DOWNS: --in many respects, for two to four years,
22 and we inform that--inform them that, basically, you
23 better be looking for funds--other funds--during that
24 time period because we want to try other new things
25 as well. And we don't ever just cut somebody off.

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1 We usually taper it out over a couple of years as
2 well. In other instances, the requests were
3 different than the previous years. So, to speak to a
4 specific example, the one that was mentioned first,
5 that being Crimestoppers, last year, what they were
6 asking for was equipment and we had been known to
7 purchase a fair amount of equipment for folks. This
8 year, the request was different. This year, they
9 were looking for some printed materials, some of
10 which DAC already has and can make available.
11 Therefore, we didn't see the need for it to be
12 printed again.

13 IRVING: Okay.

14 DOWNS: And then they were also looking for funds to
15 pay rewards for people who call in with tips that--

16 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

17 DOWNS: --bear fruit, so to speak. So that's the

18 instance--the instance there. If necessary, I could
19 go through the others to discuss them, but there are
20 a variety of circumstances.

21 IRVING: Well, you know, I--I was--as I looked
22 through these, some of the minority--very strong
23 minority groups in our community, I work a lot with
24 the Urban Ministries Center and the ur--the urban
25 ministries. I work a lot with the United Hispanic

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1 American that went from \$25,740.00 to \$7500.00. I
2 know that some of these are--are groups that may
3 struggle just a little bit anyways.

4 DOWNS: Sure.

5 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

6 IRVING: To go from \$20,000.00 to zero, if you've had
7 it--over a four-year length of time, let's say, did
8 they know that four years ago they were going to get
9 \$20,000.00, and the next year they were going to get
10 15 [\$15,000.00], the next year 10 [\$10,000.00], to--
11 to zero? I mean, I would hate to think that any of
12 the minority groups that are--that struggle anyways--
13 I mean, all non-for-profit groups are struggling
14 right now. Plus, unfortunately, you know, the--the
15 rate of drugs and alcohol abuse seems to rise.

16 DOWNS: Sure.

17 IRVING: Are we letting any of these organizations in
18 a lerch?

19 DOWNS: Well, first of all, the table you're looking
20 at that--that would be the third column is actually
21 the amount they requested, not the amount that they
22 were granted last year, and that may cause some
23 confusion.

24 IRVING: Okay.

25 DOWNS: Although I believe, I think you were given a

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1 table of who received funds last year. If not, we
2 can get that--

3 IRVING: I--I--

4 DOWNS: --to you as well.

5 IRVING: --we did not and maybe that's part of the
6 problem.

7 DOWNS: That's part of the problem.

8 IRVING: When we looked at this--

9 BLOOM: Yeah, because it is "Requested."

10 DOWNS: Yeah, so--

11 BLOOM: Yeah.

12 DOWNS: --let me--let me speak to those two examples

13 specifically. Urban Ministries, last year got

14 \$3,000.00--

15 IRVING: Okay.

16 DOWNS: --and this year, none. And then United

17 Hispanic Americans, last year got \$7500.00, and this

18 year, the same \$7500.00.

19 IRVING: Okay.

20 DOWNS: The United Hispanic Americans program--

21 BLOOM: Okay.

22 DOWNS: --that, actually, is on the decline. And

23 they have been informed that--

24 IRVING: Okay.

25 DOWNS: --"You need to start looking"--

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1 BLOOM: Okay.

2 DOWNS: --"for funds elsewhere." But--

3 BLOOM: Yeah, we were looking at this.

4 DOWNS: --they continue to come in. In fact, the

5 \$25,000.00 they requested is very similar to what was

6 requested last year as well. As far as Urban

7 Ministries go, that was actually a different program

8 for this year than last year.

9 IRVING: Okay.

10 DOWNS: And there was some concern among committee

11 members that what they were actually doing was trying

12 to find a way to pay for staffing that had been paid

13 for through another--through another source--

14 BLOOM: Okay.

15 DOWNS: --and that--and that this was just sort of

16 a--a shifting of funds. Now, those organizations

17 that were zeroed out, especially those in that

18 intervention and treatment category where you ran

19 down a list of them--

20 IRVING: Right.

21 DOWNS: --Whittington House, and the transitions

22 program house, Hope House, etcetera, they will all

23 obviously be informed why their--their case was not

24 sufficient to meet our needs. In some instances, the

25 committee felt that it was just a little bit outside

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1 of what DAC was trying to do. For example, one of
2 those programs was looking for job training
3 assistance which is not something that we've done in
4 the past. Another program was looking--

5 IRVING: Could I ask--Andy--

6 DOWNS: Sure.

7 IRVING: Job training assistance, why--why would that
8 not be something that--that you would at least look
9 at helping to fund somewhat because that's key?

10 DOWNS: Well, it's very key. And to give you another
11 example of something that we have not funded in the
12 past but was requested and denied was actually family
13 counseling as opposed to counseling per the
14 individual--

15 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).

16 DOWNS: --who needs treatment. In some respects,
17 DAC, like a lot of other organizations, is a--is a
18 bit of creature of habit, and--and we look at things
19 we have done in the past, and it takes us some time
20 to sort of change from that. Job training is not
21 something that's been funded in the past, in part,
22 because there typically have been so many applicants
23 with programs that are more directly associated
24 with--in prevention or treatment or job training that
25 we've been more than--more than able to fund those

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1 without needing to fund the job training. In other
2 words, sticking within a very narrow definition of
3 intervention and--and prevention. That does not mean
4 that we won't change our minds in the future. This
5 was to the--to my recollection, the first time we
6 ever had anyone request job training money
7 specifically. And I agree with you--we all agree
8 with you--job training is very--

9 IRVING: Oh, I love that.

10 DOWNS: --important for people who are--we won't
11 spread the rumor--

12 IRVING: No.

13 DOWNS: --that you and I--

14 IRVING: Okay.

15 DOWNS: --agreed on something.

16 IRVING: No. No, Andy, we agree on a lot of things.

17 DOWNS: Yeah.

18 IRVING: I guess as not only looking at the Drug
19 Consortium but also looking at some of the
20 foundations from being on the Alliance Board that,
21 you know, we need to--to start looking a little bit
22 more outside the box than we have in the past.

23 DOWNS: Sure.

24 IRVING: And job training is--is--is key in my eyes.

25 DOWNS: And one of the concerns for us, the people
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1 who are on the Drug & Alcohol Consortium Board, they
2 understand the programs. They understand the justice
3 programs. They understand the intervention and
4 treatment-type--

5 IRVING: Okay.

6 DOWNS: --programs. We're not job training people.
7 And so while we're able to identify good methods for
8 dealing with, you know, intervening before someone
9 does drugs, or good methods for preventing people
10 from doing drugs. We really aren't all that
11 conversant on good job training programs. It doesn't
12 mean that it won't be a way we expand in the future.
13 It just means that right now, it's a little outside
14 our comfort realm.

15 IRVING: Well, maybe your next Board appointment
16 opening, maybe you ought to look for somebody with
17 those--some of those qualifications to enlighten the
18 Board a little bit.

19 DOWNS: Yeah, it's--it's a wonderful--

20 IRVING: Okay.

21 DOWNS: --suggestion.

22 IRVING: Okay, I'll be quiet now. But I appreciate
23 it very much.

24 PETERS: I make a motion to approve the Drug &
25 Alcohol Consortium requests for funds to be allocated
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1 from the Drug Free Communities Fund for the
2 aforementioned recommended programs.

3 BLOOM: Second.

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

5 BLOOM: Aye.

6 PETERS: Aye.

7 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Thank you--

8 DOWNS: Thank you very much.

9 IRVING: --very much. Congratulations--

10 BLOOM: Thank you.

11 PETERS: Thank you.

12 IRVING: --and good luck. Appointment to the
13 Multiple Agency Community Partnership, the MACP.

14 ELSER: The name before you today for your
15 consideration is Nelson Peters. This appointment is
16 effective June 1st, 2006 through May 31st, 2009.

17 BLOOM: So moved.

18 PETERS: I'll second it.

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

20 BLOOM: Aye.

21 PETERS: Aye.

22 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Consideration of an
23 agreement between Fort Wayne-Allen County Department
24 of Health and the Allen County Highway Department.

25 Well, good morning, Mr. Hartman.

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1 HARTMAN: Good morning.

2 BLOOM: Good morning, Bill.

3 IRVING: How are you this morning? Good morning,
4 Mindy--

5 BLOOM: Hi, Mindy.

6 IRVING: --how are you?

7 WALDRON: Good, thank you.

8 HARTMAN: Good morning. I'm Bill Hartman with the
9 Allen County Highway Department.

10 WALDRON: I'm Mindy Waldron with the Allen County
11 Health Department.

12 IRVING: Glad to have both of you.

13 WALDRON: Thank you.

14 HARTMAN: And I'll let Mindy explain the agreement.

15 WALDRON: Okay. We had spoken to the Commissioners a
16 few weeks ago about some of the preparations that
17 we're required to do for our State funding is to be
18 prepared. And one of them here before you is to
19 ensure that if the CDC was to release the strategic
20 national stockpiles, usually referred to as the SNS,
21 for any type of a mass immunization, some sort of
22 prophylaxis. It could be also in pill form. There's
23 various reasons they might do that such as, you know,
24 a--a wide occurrence of anthrax or smallpox, something

25 like that. We have to have plans in place to

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1 distribute that. They would ty--typically arrive in
2 a semi load, rather large, to treat your whole
3 community, usually in a short amount of time. We
4 have agreements for the facility use. What we didn't
5 have was an agreement for the actual movement of
6 those within the facility to get them where they
7 would be broken down. And so we had thought, based
8 on some of the locations of the facilities we have
9 agreements with, that it might--might work out if--if
10 some of these folks would be able to use their
11 forklifts or a forklift to move it within the
12 building, usually a short period of time, and based
13 on their availability. So--

14 HARTMAN: Under those circumstances, I'm sure we
15 could avail our assistance.

16 IRVING: Yes.

17 PETERS: Why couldn't a quick phonecall to the
18 Highway Department suffice?

19 WALDRON: It probably could. But we're--we've always
20 felt that it's--it's good to already have that
21 agreement made and that there would be dedicated
22 personnel, a way to contact--the bigger part is a way
23 to contact after hours and ensure that those
24 agreements are--the decisions were already made. And
25 then it's a--a thing that--a lot of times, we aren't

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1 able to compensate for the services that we need at
2 the time. This would probably not be one that we
3 would need to compensate for anyway, but it's always
4 good to have the agreement. And everyone that has a
5 play to that--for instance, if--if there was an
6 injury and it's not the normal course of their job,
7 is that okay, and what if it's on a Saturday, someone
8 would need to be able to make those decisions that--

9 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

10 WALDRON: --it could occur after hours, before hours,
11 maybe longer hours, maybe overtime, I don't know. We
12 didn't know how many forklifts they had, that kind of
13 thing. So it's just a--an agreement to have in
14 place. And part of our requirement to receive
15 funding is that we have more than verbal agreements,

16 more than handshakes--
17 IRVING: That's right.
18 WALDRON: --that we have it documented that everyone,
19 not just us thinking it's a good idea, but everyone
20 agreeing that they would be able to allot those funds
21 and resources.
22 BLOOM: So that's the bottom line?
23 WALDRON: Right.
24 BLOOM: They're required.
25 WALDRON: Yes, but we also think that it's--it's a
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1 good thing to--I don't--I don't want to--
2 BLOOM: Communicate prior to.
3 WALDRON: --call him--right.
4 BLOOM: Exactly.
5 IRVING: Prevent--
6 WALDRON: I don't want to call you on a Saturday and
7 say, "Do you mind," and--
8 IRVING: --prevent problems.
9 WALDRON: Yes.
10 PETERS: Thank you.
11 IRVING: Can I have a motion on it?
12 PETERS: I make a motion to approve the agreement
13 between the Allen County Department of Health and the
14 Allen County Highway Department.
15 BLOOM: Second.
16 IRVING: All in favor, say, "Aye."
17 BLOOM: Aye.
18 PETERS: Aye.
19 IRVING: Aye.
20 WALDRON: Thank you.
21 IRVING: Motion carried. Thank you very much.
22 WALDRON: Thank you.
23 HARTMAN: You're very welcome.
24 BLOOM: Thanks.
25 IRVING: Approval of the 2005 Annual Highway

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1 Operational Report. Mr. Hartman.
2 HARTMAN: Okay, we've brought this before you before,
3 and we had some questions that we couldn't answer,
4 and I believe we've--
5 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).
6 HARTMAN: --answered those, I hope, sufficiently, and

7 hopefully, the report is ready to go, to be sent to
8 the State with our, you know, inventory of all our
9 materials and equipment and vehicles.

10 IRVING: Great.

11 PETERS: I make a motion to approve the 2005 Annual
12 Highway Operational Report.

13 BLOOM: Second.

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

15 BLOOM: Aye.

16 PETERS: Aye.

17 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approve of the
18 engineering services agreement between Allen County
19 and Butler, Fairman & Seufert for the Bostick Road
20 Bridge--gee, I've never heard that before, have we--
21 over St. Mary's River--

22 BLOOM: Bostick, no.

23 IRVING: --Bridge #268, Project #04-123. Total
24 agreement is one hundred and fifty-seven thou--oh,
25 I'm sorry--\$157,100.00.

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1 HARTMAN: Of course, this is for design of a new
2 bridge--

3 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

4 HARTMAN: --in the place of the old bridge. And
5 according to our scoping report with INDOT, it would
6 also include dismantling the existing bridge for
7 storage, hopefully, to be reconstructed in another
8 location if that's how things go through the State
9 Hisor--Historical Preservation Organization. And
10 we're just in hopes that it will work out that way.

11 BLOOM: We had started out with the Bostick Road
12 Bridge in the Bridge Bond, and it was just going to
13 be a surface or--

14 HARTMAN: Rehabilitation, right, of the deck.

15 BLOOM: --rehabilitation. And now we were able to
16 get Federal money to do a new construction. And I'm
17 happy to hear that the historic group from the State
18 is able to save this bridge. I'm anxious to see what
19 they're going to do with it, of course. I know they
20 have several locations that they would like it to be.
21 But because of the additional funding, this is going
22 to be a brand new bridge out there and those people
23 are going to be awfully happy. I'll make a motion we

24 accept the contract with Butler, Fairman, Seufert for
25 \$157,100.00.

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1 PETERS: I'll second.
2 IRVING: All in favor, say, "Aye."
3 BLOOM: Aye.
4 PETERS: Aye.
5 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Approval and award
6 Bid Reference #10-06, Type I Bulk Rock Salt Materials
7 for Snow and Ice Removal--I hope you're not telling
8 me it's going to snow in August--for use by the Allen
9 County Highway Department for 2006-2007 Winter Season
10 to Cargill, Inc. Note: This was a joint bid package
11 between Allen County and the City of Fort Wayne. The
12 City is to make a separate award for their portion of
13 the bid.
14 HARTMAN: Yeah, the 8,000--
15 IRVING: The bid was--wait a minute here.
16 HARTMAN: Oh, excuse me.
17 IRVING: Wait a minute here.
18 PETERS: Forty-one seventy-nine [\$4179.00].
19 IRVING: The--the bids were the same as last year.
20 Is that correct, Bill?
21 HARTMAN: They're a little higher.
22 PETERS: No, it was \$4149.00 last year, it looks like
23 and \$4179.00 this year.
24 HARTMAN: Yeah, about 3% increase.
25 PETERS: And I appreciate that information.

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1 HARTMAN: Yeah, no problem.
2 IRVING: Oh, it depends if it's the--there's--
3 BLOOM: Locations.
4 HARTMAN: Yeah.
5 IRVING: Yeah.
6 HARTMAN: Yeah.
7 IRVING: Yeah. Well, for plant pickup it was
8 \$4122.00. Delivery to the south barn is \$4273.00,
9 delivery to Smith Road, \$4273.00. Delivery to the
10 north barn, \$4273.00. And delivered craft gravel,
11 which was \$4273.00.
12 HARTMAN: Uh-huh (affirmative).
13 IRVING: Okay.
14 BLOOM: I'll make a motion that we accept Type I Bulk

15 Rock Salt for 2006-2007 to Cargill in conjunction
16 with the City, but they're going to have separate
17 award. Okay, I'm making it for the Allen County
18 Highway Department.

19 PETERS: I'll second that.

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

21 BLOOM: Aye.

22 PETERS: Aye.

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

24 Susan, would you like to read in the traffic

25 postings?

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1 ELSER: The postings--and these are all post STOP
2 signs: Kilkenny Cove at Foxwood Passage, Finn
3 Dowling Cove at Foxwood Passage, Foxwood Passage at
4 Wheelock Road, and Pinsley Way at Foxwood Passage.

5 BLOOM: I'll make a motion we accept the traffic
6 postings, the STOP signs, at those locations.

7 PETERS: I'll second that.

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

9 BLOOM: Aye.

10 PETERS: Aye.

11 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Do you have anything
12 else today, Mr. Hartman?

13 HARTMAN: That's it. Thank you very much.

14 IRVING: Thank you very much. Have a--

15 BLOOM: Thank you.

16 IRVING: --nice week. Do we have any plats for
17 signature?

18 ELSER: We have no plats today.

19 IRVING: Okay. Under "Other Business," we do have a
20 couple of items. Consideration of a Sick Bank
21 Request from the Allen County Sheriff's Department
22 for an employee injured during training. Well, good
23 morning, how are you?

24 STEVENS: I'm fine. Good morning, all of you.

25 IRVING: Commander Stevens.

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1 PETERS: Good morning.

2 STEVENS: Yes, I am Commander Stevens--

3 BLOOM: Hi.

4 STEVENS: --of the Allen County Jail, and one of my
5 employees had a mishap during the training exercise.

6 And the individuals who work at the jail are quite
7 willing to donate some of their time to a bank to
8 assist this young man to get through this process.

9 BLOOM: How long will he be off do they think?

10 STEVENS: Well, we're not really sure. What happened
11 is his pectoral muscle was torn from his shoulder and
12 they're going to have to--

13 BLOOM: Surgery.

14 STEVENS: Yeah. So, we're not sure how long it's
15 going to take for him to recover even though we're
16 assured that he will be able to come back for light
17 duty, and we have a couple of locations that we can
18 accommodate that.

19 PETERS: Was it a County training exercise?

20 STEVENS: Yes.

21 PETERS: I'm curious as to why worker's compensation
22 isn't--

23 STEVENS: It is--

24 PETERS: --doing that.

25 STEVENS: --but they only pay 66 and 2/3--

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1 PETERS: Okay.

2 STEVENS: --and--and the first--

3 BLOOM: Right.

4 STEVENS: --five days--

5 IRVING: Right.

6 STEVENS: --are not in that.

7 BLOOM: Are not covered.

8 STEVENS: It catches up later.

9 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

10 STEVENS: And he has no days that he could put in
11 there at this point.

12 PETERS: Okay.

13 STEVENS: He does not get his days back until July.

14 PETERS: So he will receive 100% of the total
15 benefit. But he won't receive, say, for instance,
16 the sick time plus the 66% he'll be getting for
17 worker's compensation.

18 STEVENS: Right. Overall, he gets 66 and two-thirds
19 of what he would have been paid had he been at work.

20 PETERS: Right. And my question to you is, once they
21 take into account the Sick Bank, will that take care
22 of the other--

23 STEVENS: Yes.
24 PETERS: --33%?
25 IRVING: Yes, yes.

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1 STEVENS: Yes, it will.
2 PETERS: Okay. But no more?
3 STEVENS: No more.
4 PETERS: Okay. I gotcha.
5 IRVING: I guess the bottom line is he's not going to
6 be making a profit off of--
7 STEVENS: No, he is not. And he's--
8 PETERS: No, I--I've seen them--
9 STEVENS: --he's suffering quite extensively for this
10 opportunity.
11 PETERS: --I've seen them make profits and I just
12 wanted sure that wasn't the case.
13 BLOOM: I make a motion that we have the--approve the
14 Sick Bank request from the Sheriff's Department.
15 PETERS: I'll second.
16 IRVING: All in favor, say, "Aye."
17 BLOOM: Aye.
18 PETERS: Aye.
19 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.
20 STEVENS: May I add one more thing?
21 IRVING: Yes, you sure can.
22 STEVENS: Unfortunately, Monday we lost one of our
23 past employees from the Allen County Sheriff's
24 Department. It was Deputy Chief Paul Crissman. And
25 for those of you who--

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1 PETERS: Uh-huh (affirmative). I saw that.
2 BLOOM: I didn't know that.
3 STEVENS: --are not familiar with him--yes--he was
4 the Captain of the jail when Bud Meeks was able to
5 get the--the first phase of the Allen County Jail
6 constructed. And he was very instrumental in that
7 whole process and has traveled quite extensively
8 around the country building jails for other
9 communities since he left us. And I was stunned this
10 morning to find out that he had passed away, and I
11 wanted to let all of you know.
12 BLOOM: Today?
13 STEVENS: No, Monday.

14 BLOOM: Oh, Monday.
15 STEVENS: I was just notified today.
16 BLOOM: Where was he living?
17 STEVENS: He was still out of Allen County. He died
18 at Lutheran Hospital, and I--
19 BLOOM: I never--
20 STEVENS: --did not get the details.
21 BLOOM: --saw it.
22 IRVING: I--I--I did see that and I forgot it. I
23 wish I would have added--
24 BLOOM: I didn't.
25 IRVING: --him to the moment of silence because he

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1 definitely appreciated it.
2 STEVENS: I didn't want to stop you. I thought about
3 him for all of us.
4 BLOOM: Thank you for sharing that. I'm sad.
5 IRVING: Do you know what I--I thought you were going
6 to say--see my mental telepathy wasn't working very
7 good--you know, we are so very fortunate with our
8 County employees that they step up when one of their
9 own comes into problems, whether it be a medical
10 emergency, or family emergency, whatever. And you
11 know, I salute, not only the other elected officials,
12 but the Department heads that--
13 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).
14 IRVING: --instill this within their employees and
15 give them the opportunity to help each other because
16 I think it just--just helps us a a team.
17 STEVENS: Thank you very much. And I appreciate that
18 the Commissioners awarded us the opportunity to lower
19 our flag to half staff for the memorial and the
20 recognition of Correctional--
21 IRVING: Right.
22 STEVENS: --Day--National Correctional--
23 IRVING: I think today is the last day they're at
24 half mast, isn't that right?
25 STEVENS: Exactly. So, we appreciate that.

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1 IRVING: Well, thank you so much and--
2 STEVENS: Thank you.
3 BLOOM: Thank you.
4 IRVING: --half a nice week.

5 PETERS: Thank you.

6 IRVING: Next under "Other Business" is the public
7 input for government reorganization resolution. Mr.
8 McGauley and Mary--oh, Mary is going to put up the--I
9 had a GIS map done so we could kind of take a look at
10 what the townships--and when we discussed this the--
11 last week, I thought there were 19 out of our 20
12 townships that were unincorporated and incorporated.
13 And finds out that all 20 of our townships both
14 have--

15 BLOOM: They did.

16 IRVING: --City and County, and I apologize to Wayne.

17 BLOOM: I knew. I knew there was that one area over
18 there.

19 IRVING: That's right.

20 FISHERING: Yeah, you're right.

21 IRVING: John, would you like to introduce yourself?

22 McGAULEY: Yes. Good morning, Commissioners. For
23 the record, I'm John McGauley, the Public Information
24 Officer. Last week, you directed me to come up with
25 a structure for receiving public input on the

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1 resolution that you received last Friday from the
2 Fort Wayne Common Council regarding government
3 reorganization. I prepared the following ideas and
4 have given you all three a copy of that for
5 structuring, organizing, and timing such a program.
6 Basically, the objective, I think, of this would be
7 to answer one question, does the committee structure
8 that's been proposed by the Fort Wayne City Council
9 provide sufficient representation to give all of the
10 various constituencies that might be impacted by this
11 a voice in the process. Timing would be, I think, an
12 important issue to make sure that you give the--the
13 Fort Wayne Common Council a timely response but also
14 keep in mind the fact that this is a, perhaps, a
15 once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to impact government
16 structure, and everybody involved wants to do it
17 right.

18 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

19 McGAULEY: So what I've kind of sketched out here is
20 a schedule that goes over the next 60 days with a
21 target date for completion of Friday, July the 21st.

22 The meeting structure, by grouping some of the
23 various constituencies together that would
24 conceivably be interested here, you come up with
25 four, I think, four different meetings. One that
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1 would include the--the more populous township
2 governments, with a few examples being Aboite, Cedar
3 Creek, Perry, St. Joe, Washington, Wayne, along those
4 lines, with the participants to include, the
5 assessors, township trustees, and representatives of
6 individuals who--or individuals and organizations
7 that receive support from the townships, such as the
8 volunteer fire department. Other town--
9 IRVING: And the township boards too.

10 McGAULEY: Correct, correct.

11 IRVING: You forgot to add the township boards.

12 McGAULEY: They are--they are involved here also.

13 IRVING: Great.

14 McGAULEY: Other township governments maybe of less
15 populous size, let them have their own individual
16 meeting provides for a more manageable session.

17 Number three would be rural constituents. Farmers,
18 the Indiana Farm Bureau, 4-H, Cooperative Extension
19 Service, constituencies along those lines. The
20 fourth and final would be mayors, town boards, town
21 councils of incorporated communities outside the City
22 of Fort Wayne. Location, I think it would be
23 important to take several of these outside of this
24 building and go to--go to the constituencies--

25 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).

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1 McGAULEY: --that you want to talk to. Locations
2 such as the Grabill Fire Station, the Purdue
3 Cooperative Extension Service Office out at IPFW, New
4 Haven City Hall. I would propose that we do at least
5 one of them here in this room so that we can televise
6 it and just show folks what we're trying to
7 accomplish. Also, you know, one thing that we always
8 here when we do this is, you know, "I just couldn't
9 make it." So, provide some other alternative input
10 opportunities such as fax, e-mail, a submittable
11 online form on the Allen County website, and the good
12 old-fashioned U.S. mail, and that we would

13 conceivably also structure some--some other
14 electronic means to provide information here. Use
15 the Allen County website as a portal for updates,
16 hearing schedules, the latest information on how the
17 process in progressing. And perhaps, even use our
18 newest tool that we've implemented for this meeting
19 and perhaps podcast some of the other meetings--
20 IRVING: Uh-huh (affirmative).
21 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).
22 McGAULEY: --that we don't put on television.
23 BLOOM: Uh-huh (affirmative).
24 McGAULEY: I have not gone to the length of setting
25 any dates at this point, just wanted to propose this

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1 to you and we will act accordingly based on your
2 input.
3 IRVING: John, just a thought, could we find out how
4 much it would cost? I know that there's--
5 McGAULEY: Uh-huh (affirmative).
6 IRVING: --there's a little problem when you try to
7 go outside of the network here that we have set up
8 here for meetings. Just for the heck of it, can we
9 try to get some quotes on how much it would cost to
10 actually rent the equipment if we go out to Grabill
11 Fire Station--
12 McGAULEY: Uh-huh (affirmative).
13 IRVING: --with the understanding that we know it
14 won't be as clear, it won't be as crisp--
15 McGAULEY: Uh-huh (affirmative).
16 IRVING: --you know, I'll probably have a lot more
17 wrinkles because it's going to be blurred. But
18 that's okay.
19 McGAULEY: Yeah.
20 IRVING: But at least, the ability to try it, let's
21 see if we can, how much it would be to rent the
22 equipment. I think that it definitely would be worth
23 the investment if it's a reasonable amount. TV
24 stations do it with their cameras--to see how much it
25 would cost because I think it's really important

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1 that--that we publicize this as much. I mean, that--
2 that was part of what Louisville talked about. You
3 know, getting the word out, getting people so there

4 weren't all these--these myths out there.

5 McGAULEY: Uh-huh (affirmative).

6 IRVING: I applaud your efforts. I think this--

7 this--this looks good. But it's going to be almost

8 we're going to have to make your office a super duper

9 marketing effort--

10 McGAULEY: Yeah.

11 IRVING: --so people can't say, "Hey," you know.

12 Maybe we ought to look into putting the ads in their

13 local paper and seeing how much that would cost so

14 they know where it is, when it's going to be, and

15 hopefully, we'll get some input.

16 McGAULEY: We look forward to it. It's a--it's a

17 worthy endeavor. And like I said earlier,

18 once-in-a-lifetime chance to do this and do it right,

19 so--

20 IRVING: Right.

21 McGAULEY: --we're up for the challenge.

22 IRVING: I talked to President Crawford the other

23 day, and--and you know, he--he felt strongly that

24 even though that this is the resolution that the City

25 Council had sent, that he thought that there was a

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1 lot of room for negotiation and--and a good thought

2 process. And he admitted that they really had not

3 had any input. I asked him if they had call--had

4 called in Wayne Township and--because at that point,

5 I was still kind of under the impression there wasn't

6 much of the unincorporated area in Wayne Township.

7 And he said, "No," that they--they really hadn't done

8 that and that he thought it was a good idea. So,

9 they may be a little lenient with us as far as a

10 timeframe to be able to--to capture all of this input

11 by the first of August or whatever--or the 21st,

12 whatever. Do my partners have any input on any of

13 this?

14 PETERS: It sounds like a plan.

15 McGAULEY: Okay.

16 BLOOM: Yepper.

17 McGAULEY: We will proceed and keep you updated.

18 PETERS: Thank you.

19 McGAULEY: Thanks.

20 IRVING: Great. Maybe we can get this GIS map on our

21 computer too and maybe we can then put times of
22 different locations too on the map so people can pull
23 up their--their township too if necessary.
24 McGAULEY: That would be a great idea.
25 IRVING: Okay. Okay, is there any other business to
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1 come before--
2 ELSER: We have no other business.
3 IRVING: --the Commissioners today.
4 PETERS: I make a motion to approve to waive the 2nd
5 Reading on any matter approved today and for which it
6 may be deemed necessary for the Legislative Session
7 of May 17, 2006.
8 BLOOM: Second.
9 IRVING: All in favor, say, "Aye."
10 BLOOM: Aye.
11 PETERS: Aye.
12 IRVING: Aye. Do we have any comments from the
13 public today? Any comments from the public? Sean, I
14 wish you well. For those of you that don't know, our
15 Legislative Liason Sean Murray has taken another
16 position in Michigan, so you're going back home. And
17 Sean, we--on behalf of my two partners and myself, we
18 want to wish you well. And hopefully, some day, you
19 will look back and know that the Allen County
20 Commissioners maybe had this much in helping you go
21 up that successful ladder that we know you will.
22 MURRAY: I think quite a bit and I appreciate it.
23 Thank you.
24 IRVING: Thank you. Good luck.
25 MURRAY: Thank you.

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1 IRVING: Any other comments from the public? Hearing
2 none, motion adjourned. Please have a wonderful week
3 and we'll see you next Wednesday.
4 (Adjourned at 10:43 a.m.)

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4 4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

5 5 I, Kimberlee M. Adams, a Notary Public in and
6 6 for 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 May 17, 2006 in the Allen County Commissioner's
11 11 Courtroom, Room 200, City-County Building, 1 East
12 12 Main Street, Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana; that
13 13 I am not related to, employed by or interested in any
14 14 of the parties to this cause of action.

15 15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my
16 16 hand and seal this 24th day of May, 2006.

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