

OCTOBER 23, 1980

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

1. The first business meeting of the Development Commission was called to order at 8:10 P.M.
2. It was moved by Development Commissioner Baughard that Commissioner Tanke be nominated to serve as chairman to conduct the election of officers for the Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Behnke and was passed unanimously.
3. Election of Officers

Mr. Tanke opened nominations for officers for the Commission. It was duly moved and seconded that the following serve as the officers for the Development Commission:

Chairman - Charles Agnew
Vice-Chrm - Earline Rogers
Treasurer - Clyde Baughard
Secretary - Doyle Niemeyer

All nominations were unanimously approved by the commission.

4. After some discussion it was moved by Commissioner Jaynes that the terms of the officers run through to the January meeting of the Development Commission. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Tanke and was passed unanimously.
5. After some additional discussion relative to meeting dates and times for the Development Commission, it was moved by Commissioner Behnke that the Development Commission meet once a month on the third Thursday of the month. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baughard and was passed unanimously. The meeting time for the November meeting was set for 6:30 P.M.
6. The Commission then discussed the needs for staff, administrative options, and persuance of state funding. The Little Calumet River Basin Commission re-opened their meeting for business and it was moved by Basin Commissioner Ed Fetterer that funding support be made available to the Development Commission by the Basin Commission, in the period prior to the Development Commission receiving state funding, to cover basic administrative needs and travel expenses for state budget and committee hearings. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Lovell and passed unanimously. The Basin Commission also directed staff to provide services to the Development Commission if desired by the Development Commission. The Basin Commission meeting was then adjourned.
7. After some additional discussion, Development Commissioner Tanke moved that Dan Gardner be named to serve as staff Executive Director and Louis Casale as staff attorney to the Development Commission, with compensation after obtaining state funding. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Jaynes and was passed unanimously.

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8. Discussion ensued relative to the role of the Development Commission in assuming the land acquisition responsibilities from the Indiana D.N.R. for the project. This appeared agreeable to the Department of Natural Resources and staff was directed to pursue this matter with the Department and outline administrative options open to the Development Commission to accomplish this.

In related matters, Commissioner moved that staff be directed to:
1) request the State Budget Agency to release to the Development Commission, the \$1.7 million that has been appropriated for the project acquisition but has yet to be released. Currently this money is earmarked for the Indiana D.N.R.; and 2) prepare testimony to be presented to the State Budget Committee requesting some \$10,338,000 over a four year period to complete the remaining project land acquisition, a necessary accomplishment to permit Federal construction authorization by Congress. Commissioner Baughard seconded this motion and it was passed unanimously.

9. In other matters, staff was directed to prepare transmission of the Development Commission legislation to the Indiana Attorney General's office for review of its constitutionality. Additionally Attorney Casale was asked to look into liabilities and insurance if land was donated or transferred to the Development Commission's ownership.
 10. Thursday, November 20, 1980 at 6:30 P.M. was set as the next meeting date and time.
 11. There was no additional business and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.
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