

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1985 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE
CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING
COMMISSION, 8149 KENNEDY AVENUE, HIGHLAND, INDIANA.

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Chairman William Tanke. Seven Commissioners were present. Quorum was declared. Visitors were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

William Tanke
Michael Doyne
Doyle Niemeyer
Philip Jaynes
George Carlson
Charles Agnew
Clyde Baughard

Staff:

Dan Gardner
Lou Casale
Sandy Mordus

Visitors:

Nancy Banks - The Times
Robin Fornoff - Post Tribune
Dan Rodriguez - Office of
Congressman Visclosky
Bill Henderson - Surveyor's
Office & Drainage Board
Mary Jane Zak - South Shore
Marina Inc.
David Zak - South Shore Marina
Pete Zal - South Shore Marina
M. VanderHeyden - Dyer Construct.
Senator Ralph Potesta

The minutes of the April 18th meeting were approved by a motion from Clyde Baughard; seconded by Charles Agnew; motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Doyle Niemeyer presented financial status report. Corrections were made on the claim sheet which included deleting 2 claims for Warren Metz (previously listed on April's claim sheet) and deleting the claim of \$483.85 for Lake Area United Way leadership conference. Doyle Niemeyer made a motion to accept the claims as corrected; Clyde Baughard seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Dan Gardner announced that on May 24 he will make a presentation to the State Budget Agency meeting at Pokagen State Park to obtain approval to draw down funds for operational and management expenses relating to land development.

Land Acquisition - Chuck Agnew reported that insurance has been obtained for the buildings at Lake Etta. Insurance previously was carried by Lake County Parks Department. The Development Commission now carries the insurance since we own the buildings.

It was reported that Parcel 36 has been closed out.

Chuck Agnew recommended that a policy be drawn up in regards to improvements which have to be made to Lake Etta. Attorney will

prepare policy and present it to Commission for approval. Items such as water lines, fencing, landscaping, electrical, vehicle purchase, etc. need to be addressed and policy needs to be set as to how we will proceed.

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Doyle Niemeyer reported that emergency repairs were made to the house in which the newly hired park manager will reside. Bills will be forthcoming from the Lake Co. Parks Dept. asking the Development Comm. share in those expenses. Estimated costs are around \$7,000. Attorney will look into Joint Venture Agreement and see to what extent the Commission is liable for repairs. Report to be made at next meeting.

Chuck Agnew made motion that Lots 22, 23, 38 in Block 56; Lots 13, 14, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27 in Block 57; Lots 25, 34, 35, 36 in Block 73; Lots 17, 23 in Block 74; Lots 29, 30, 36, 41 in Block 75 in 2nd Oak Park Addition, Tolleston Club properties be turned over to attorney to initiate legal proceedings and proceed with condemnation; Mike Doyne seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Phil Jaynes brought up issue of insurance coverage for swimming area and operation of water bumper boats. Attorney reported that insurance does cover any water accidents/drownings.

Legislation - Phil Jaynes announced markup of water resources bill (H.R. 6) will take place on June 18th. Discussion was held as to exact language to be used in the wording of the bill to emphasize 3A plan. Staff will obtain copy of HR6 bill.

Dan Gardner and Commission member will attend congressional seminar in Washington to be held June 2-4th.

Chairman Tanke asked Dan Rodriguez to please let Commission know any time that testimony from Comm. would be helpful.

Dan Gardner presented final version of Senate bill 432 expanding Commission membership from 10 to 11 members. No emergency clause was included so it would take effect on September 1. Staff was asked to write Mayor Hatcher a letter stating he could appoint someone now and invite that person to Commission meetings so he/she could become familiar with Commission. That person would have no voting power until Sept. 1.

Marina Development - Chairman Tanke announced bid opening took place May 1st. Committee meeting was held to review the one proposal received; in process of negotiating with the only proposer at this time. No award has been made.

Breakwater Construction - Dan Gardner announced contractor is again at the site and has restarted construction. Letter is forthcoming from the Corps stating no problems exist, that the contractor is working and dredging will take place shortly after June 15th.

Staff was asked whether Ogden Dunes has contacted Commission in regards to obtaining the dredged sand for placement on Ogden Dunes beach. No contact has been made on their part.

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River Maintenance - No negative comments on bid specifications have been received by the Drainage Board. Bids are out; opening of bids will be on June 11th at the Lake County Drainage Board meeting. A motion to re-approve the bid specifications and release the \$25,000 commitment to the project was made by Charles Agnew; seconded by Doyle Niemeyer; motion passed unanimously.

Culverts - Dan Gardner reported on meeting held on May 7 in which the Corps gave presentation on hydrology study. Grant Street culvert could be replaced without greatly impacting downstream flooding and therefore, could be recommended by the Dept. of Highways for replacement at this time. Ind. Dept. of Highways present at the meeting indicated that they would, upon their return to Indianapolis, recommend that the Grant Street culvert replacement be placed on the State's program of projects.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Clyde Baughard; seconded by Mike Doyme; motion passed unanimously.

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