

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
 MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 29, 1986 AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE
 LIBRARY/CONFERENCE CENTER OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY-NORTHWEST
 IN GARY (35th Ave.).

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Michael Doyne. Eight Commissioners were present. Guests were recognized and quorum was declared.

Development Commissioners:

Michael Doyne
 Martin Behnke
 Doyle Niemeyer
 Charles Agnew
 Clyde Baughard
 Philip Jaynes
 William Tanke
 Arlene Colvin

Visitors:

Jean Marie Brown - Post Tribune
 Pete Zak - South Shore Marina
 Dale Glatfelter - U.S.G.S.
 Richard Wawrzyniak - Indiana
 Dept. Natural Resources
 Herb Read - Izaak Walton
 Dan Rodriguez - Congressman
 Visclosky's Office
 John Swanson - Congressman
 Visclosky's Office

Staff:

Dan Gardner
 Lou Casale, Attorney
 Sandy Mordus

A change was made to the minutes of the June 24th meeting. On Page 2, Paragraph 4 last sentence should read "quit claim deed" instead of "quick claim deed". A motion was made by Martin Behnke to accept the minutes as amended; seconded by William Tanke; motion passed unanimously.

Dan Gardner explained communications letters. Included in packet were copies of board-requested letters sent to U. S. Army Corps of Engineers re: Burns Waterway breakwater status (response received and distributed to members); letter sent to William Henderson of the Surveyor's Office re: Burns Ditch tree removal (no response at this time); memo sent to Doyle Niemeyer as district manager for northern Lake County parks re: Lake Etta citizen input. Also included is a letter received from James Holcomb, attorney for Gary PTC, citing the cooperativeness on the Commission's part in dealing with the flooding problem at the GPTC Maintenance Facility site by transferring the title of a 3 1/2 acre plat to the GPTC.

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Finance/Policy Committee - Treasurer Doyle Niemeyer announced the meeting held July 22nd with NIRPC Finance Director Hugh Rhein and staff accountant Cecilia Wallace in re: to present and future status of investments. It was concluded that the Commission monies are earning the best interest rate available at present. There would be no difference in longer term investments. Interest rates at present does not warrant any changes in investments. He requested NIRPC to report semi-annually on status of interest rate changes by various banks.

Doyle Niemeyer made a motion to transfer funds of \$1,500 from Line 312 (NIRPC Services) to Line 341 (Bonds & Insurance) to cover anticipated Directors & Officers liability insurance; motion seconded by Clyde Baughard; motion passed unanimously.

Doyle Niemeyer made a motion to approve July claims as presented; seconded by Clyde Baughard; motion passed unanimously.

Doyle Niemeyer made a motion for Commission approval for staff to appear before the State Budget Agency to gain approval that the appropriated \$3 million be made available on a claim drawdown bases; motion seconded by Clyde Baughard; motion passed unanimously. (Letter in packet verifies request)

Land Acquisition - Committee Chairman Charles Agnew made a motion directing the attorney to prepare an option agreement for purchase of Don Ewen's property; seconded by William Tanke. After discussion, an amendment to the motion was made by Charles Agnew to obtain quotes and direct staff to have a paper survey performed on the Ewen property; motion seconded by Clyde Baughard; motion passed unanimously.

Charles Agnew made a motion to appraise the IXL property. This will allow for western Lake Etta boundary delineation. Motion seconded by Clyde Baughard; motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Committee - Committee Chairman Phil Jaynes reported that the Water Resources bill is still in conference committee. Outcome should be known by September.

Dan Gardner will distribute to Board a copy of a draft work plan for 1987/88 biennium budget of the Commission's financial resources status as non-federal sponsor.

Breakwater/Marina Committee - Committee Chairman Bill Tanke reported on the marina development status. The final report is still being developed by the consultant, TenEch Engineering. IT

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will soon be available to the Commission.

Dan Gardner reported that J.M. Foster may need additional sand for future projects if additional contracts are secured.

Letter was received from the Army Corps in reply to the Commission's letter re: placement and quantity of dredged sand and was available for distribution. No response has been received from Bill Henderson, Lake County Surveyor's Office. Staff will contact Henderson for a reply. As soon as a reply is known, Mr. Herb Read asked to be notified.

Interim Flood Control Planning Committee - Dan Gardner reported that \$35,000 is identified by the Lake County Drainage Board for the Little Calumet watershed projects.

There was a lengthy discussion held in regard to remove or not remove the bridge at the Erie Railroad at Indianapolis Blvd. bridge and the river. Staff reported he has been in contact with the Pyramid group to see if they can clear the bridge area of debris.

Dan Rodriguez announced he would be leaving the staff of Congressman Visclosky and returning to school. He introduced John Swanson of the Congressman's staff who will be liaison to our board.

Mike Doyme questioned Dan Rodriguez about the Congressman's expansion bill and whether it made a provision for the Commission. Mr. Rodriguez replied that it did in regard to national park property.

Dan Gardner welcomed Dick Wawrzyniak of the Div. of Water of the DNR. He is replacing Robert Jackson on the Little Calumet River Basin Commission.

The next meeting will be on August 21 at IUN.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 by a motion from Clyde Baughard; seconded by Martin Behnke.

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