

Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

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✓ JERRY PAGAC
Dept. of Natural Resources' Appointment

✓ WILLIAM TANKE
Porter County Commissioners' Appointment

DAN GARDNER
Executive Director

MEETING NOTICE

THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AT 6:30 p.m. THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1987
AT THE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OFFICE
8149 KENNEDY AVENUE, HIGHLAND, INDIANA

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Jerry Pagac | |
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— Bus. from the floor

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1986
AT THE BEACH CAFE
903 N. SHELBY, GARY, INDIANA

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

Development Commissioners:

Michael Doyne
Doyle Niemeyer
Charles Agnew
Clyde Baughard
Donald Duran
William Tanke
Arlene Colvin
John DeMeo
George Carlson
Jerry Pagac
Marin Behnke

Visitors:

Don & Elinor Ewen
Jeff Ewen
Bill Henderson - Lake Co.
Surveyor's Office
Tom Knightly - Post Tribune
Ed Fetterer
John Beckman - Food Bank

Staff:

Dan Gardner
Lou Casale, Attorney
Sandy Mordus
Bruce Stouffer

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 20, 1986 meeting was made by John DeMeo; seconded by Don Duran; motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Mike Doyne appointed a 1987 nominating committee consisting of Martin Benhnke (Chairman), Chuck Agnew and Jerry Pagac. They will present a slate of officers at the January meeting.

Finance Committee - Treasurer Doyle Niemeyer presented the financial status report for December. He announced that a finance meeting will be sheduled before the next regular meeting. Finance committee members will be notified.

Upon discussing the Development Commission's financial investments, Jerry Pagac suggested that the Commission might want to explore the idea of the State Treasury investing the monies for us. It may be possible to obtain a higher interest rate when you pool the money together for a much larger sum.

The proposed budget for 1987 will be prepared for the next meeting.

A motion to approve the claims as presented was made by Doyle Niemeyer; seconded by Chuck Agnew; motion passed unanimously.

Dan Gardner explained the State position of the appropriated \$3 million from the last biennium. After appearing before the State Budget Committee, \$1.5 million was released to the Commission for land acquisition draw down purposes. The other \$1.5 million is expected to be released at a later date.

The yearly contract between the Development Commission and the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission was presented for approval. A lengthy discussion followed regarding minor clarification points. A motion to adopt the contract with four points of clarification to be made was made by John DeMeo; seconded by Doyle Niemeyer. Motion passed with 10 yes votes and 1 no vote coming from Mr. Tanke. The four clarification issues are: 1) definition of full time personnel, 2) what exactly is gross salary, 3) exact definition of "space" and 4) what does 35% overhead include. These issues will be presented to the NIRPC staff for clarification.

Legislative Committee - Dan Gardner spoke on the interpretation of the Federal bill. He has been in communication with the Public Works staff committee and they have advised they feel that the way the project is described in the bill is very forceful and does direct the Corps to build a full protection plan both east and west of Cline Ave. Dan has met with Congressman Visclosky and brought him up to date on this issue especially if the Corps needs to be redirected toward the 3A plan. Chicago Corps is awaiting a direction letter from the Chief's Office in Washington which will instruct them which way to proceed.

Dan Gardner presented a map he prepared with Corps input of what the 3A plan consists of and where the levees are proposed.

Mr. Gardner announced that the Development Commission requested \$3 million in this biennium session. He was informed that the preliminary recommendation by the Budget Agency will be \$2 million. It will not be known for several months the actual amount appropriated to the Commission.

Land Acquisition Committee - Chairman Agnew announced that Catfish Bay will be closing very soon. Title problems are being cleared now.

Chuck Agnew made a motion to accept Harold L. Wheeler from Crown Point as a qualified appraiser and add him to the Commission's approved list of appraisers. He meets all professional qualifications.

Chuck Agnew reported that the Don Ewen property has closed as of today. Those 118 acres are now owned by the Development Commission. Mr. Agnew stated that a leasing bill package for rental would be put together for approval at the next meeting. That leasing package will include a pumping agreement.

Interium Flood Control Planning Committee - Dan Gardner reported on the Indianapolis Blvd. bridge cleaning project of which the Development Commission has contributed \$17,825 toward a \$65,000 total project price. Dyer Construction has been selected by the Lake County Drainage Board as the contractor to perform the work. Upon Dyer Construction providing their bonding, they will begin before the end of the year.

He further announced that the Erie bridge would not be removed at this time but rather maintained. A letter has been sent to the Public Works Director of Hammond asking that they on an as-needed basis, perform maintenance at that bridge to keep it free of obstruction. Bill Henderson from the County Surveyor's Office announced that the Lake County Drainage Board will sign the contract for the Indianapolis Blvd. bridge work at their forthcoming meeting.

Breakwater/Marina Committee - Bill Tanke referred to letter in packet addressed to Lt. Col. Finch requesting clarification of certain items. No response has been received yet.

It was stated that about 60% of the handrails are in good shape. The contractor is providing the other 40% handrails and Pete Zak of South Shore Marina will be storing the materials and will install them in the spring.

Dan Gardner stated that an accounting review (audit) will be scheduled by the Corps at which time the Development Commission will participate.

Mr. Gardner referred to a letter and resolution in the packet from Dr. V. McCutcheon, President of the Northwest Indiana Foodbank. John Beckman, Director of the Foodbank, spoke in regard to the gleaning of the Ewen farm which enabled the Foodbank to provide about 45 thousand pounds of food to the needy in northwest Indiana. He emphasized that he hoped the new lessee of that farmland would continue to allow them to glean from the fields. He was informed that the Development Commission supports the work of the Foodbank and hopes that it can continue.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 22.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Clyde Baughard; seconded by Martin Behnke.

/sjm



**NORTHWESTERN INDIANA
REGIONAL
PLANNING COMMISSION**

8149 Kennedy Ave.
Highland, Indiana 46322

219-923-1060
312-731-2646

DATE: January 21, 1987

ORGANIZATION: LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

PROJECT: FOR SERVICES PERFORMED DURING DECEMBER 1986

CONTRACT NO: 821

CONTRACT CODE: 86.12

INVOICE NO: 86.12.12

I N V O I C E

Direct Project Salaries: \$ 1,948.60

Dan Gardner 56 hours
Sandy Mordus 110 hours
Carole Kutcka 1 hours

Other Direct Costs:

Travel & Mileage 412.75
Petty Cash (postage-film) 18.35

Allocated Costs at (105% of direct salaries) \$ 2,046.03

Total December Costs: \$ 4,425.73

February 1987 Service Fee 200.00

Total Due \$ 4,625.73

December payment due \$ 4,625.73

Payment Outstanding -0-

Total Payment Due \$ 4,625.73

Robert B. Stouffer

14803 GERRY PLACE, CROWN POINT, INDIANA 46307

January 1, 1987

TO: Dan Gardner, Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
8149 Kennedy Avenue
Highland, Indiana 46322

Please accept this statement as billing to the Development Commission for payment of \$15.00 per hour as per contract for work performed as Land Acquisition/Management Agent for the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission.


December 22	-	7 hours	-	\$105
December 23	-	7 hours	-	\$105
December 24	-	4.5 hours	-	\$ 67.50
December 29	-	7 hours	-	\$105
December 30	-	7 hours	-	\$105
December 31	-	7 hours	-	<u>\$105</u>

Total hours - 39.5 hours

Total payment due \$592.50


Robert B. Stouffer

APPROVED:


Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission

Robert B. Stouffer

14803 GERRY PLACE, CROWN POINT, INDIANA 46307

January 19, 1987

TO: Dan Gardner, Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
8149 Kennedy Avenue
Highland, Indiana 46322

Please accept this statement as billing to the Development Commission for payment of \$15.00 per hour as per contract for work performed as Land Acquisition/Management Agent for the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission.

January 6	-	7 hours	-	\$105
January 7	-	7 hours	-	\$105
January 8	-	7 hours	-	\$105
January 12	-	7 hours	-	\$105
January 14	-	7 hours	-	\$105
January 15	-	7 hours	-	<u>\$105</u>

Total hours - 42 hours

Total payment due \$630


Reimbursement of Mileage Expense incurred in land acquisition/management work :

168 miles @ \$.25 per mile: \$ 42.80

Total Amount Due \$672.80


Robert B. Stouffer

APPROVED:


Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission



1987 PROPOSED BUDGET

<u>BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>1986 BUDGETED AMOUNT</u>	<u>ADOPTED 1987 BUDGET</u>
ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET			
119	Per Diem Expenses	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
311	Legal Services	7,500	7,500
312	NIRPC Services	95,000	94,000
	a) Basic Staff Support		
	b) Mileage/Expenses		
	c) Room Rental		
	d) Telephone		
	e) Postage		
	f) Copying machine		
	g) Printing/Graphics labor		
	h) Office Supplies		
	i) Other		
323	Travel & Mileage	6,000	6,000
331	Printing & Advertising	3,000	2,500
341	Bonds & Insurance	6,500	7,500
361	Emergency Maintenance Costs	3,500	3,500
399	Meeting Expenses	4,000	3,000
SUB TOTAL		\$ 140,000	\$140,000

LAND ACQUISITION / DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

411	Legal Services	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
412	Professional/Consultant Services	100,000	100,000
	a) Appraisal Services		
	b) Surveying Services		
	c) Engineering Services		
	d) Land Purchasing Contractual Services		
	e) Operational Contract/Services		
413	Land Purchase Costs	\$1,228,700	\$2,627,412
	a) *Real Estate taxes	(10,666.37)	
	*Not included in budgeted amount		
	Not a state drawdown		
	Pass through taxes only		
414	Land Capital Improvements	150,000	150,000
415	Burns Waterway Breakwater Construction Contingency	171,300	2,128
416	Structures Capital Improvements	50,000	50,000
417	Property/Structures Insurance		15,000
SUB TOTAL			\$2,994,540

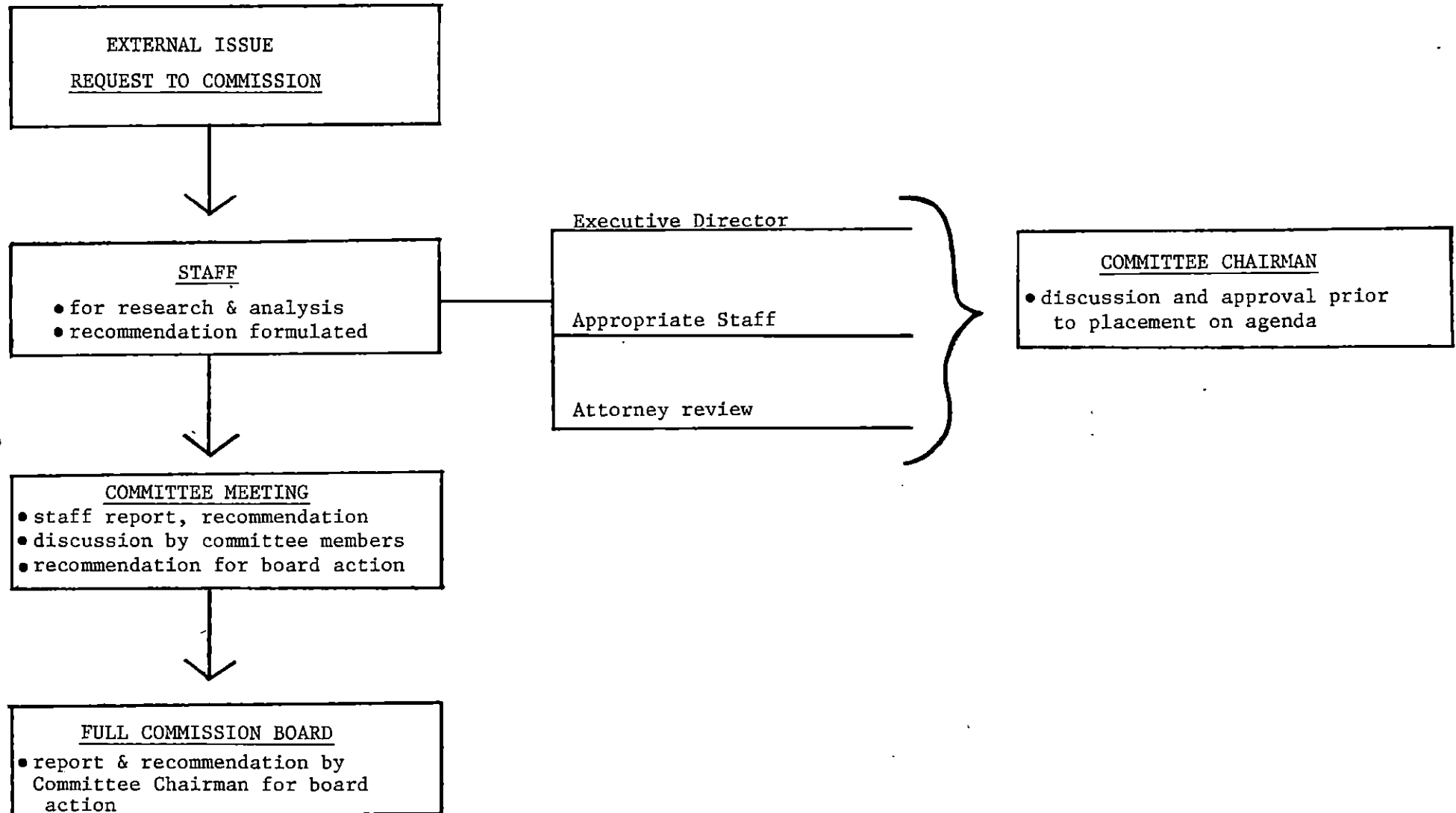
Total Budget

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\$3,134,540

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

DECISION MAKING "CHAIN OF COMMAND"





STATE OF INDIANA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State House
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PATRICK J. KIELY
CHAIRMAN WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204
4947 FOUNDERS COURT
ANDERSON, INDIANA 46011

317-646-6060

January 5, 1987

Dan Gardner, Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
8149 Kennedy Avenue
Highland, Indiana 46322

Dear Mr. Gardner:


Based on the current revenue forecast for the 1987-89 biennium, we do not anticipate significant changes in the budget recommendations made by the State Budget Committee. As you are aware, the Budget Committee recommended General Fund appropriations of \$3.396 billion for FY 88 and \$3.590 billion for FY 89. As a result of these recommendations, the General Fund working balance is estimated to be \$9.0 million on June 30, 1988 and \$1.3 million on June 30, 1989.

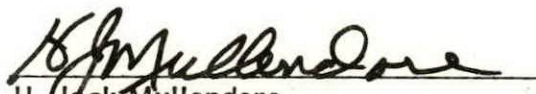
Unlike past years, we are not scheduling hearings for each agency. Instead, we would like to offer those agencies wishing to make a budget presentation to the Ways and Means Committee the opportunity to do so. However, we request that such presentations be limited to those budgetary items which were not addressed by the Budget Committee and can be shown to be of an emergency nature or justified as absolutely necessary to the operation of your agency.

Please let us know by Monday, January 12 if you wish to appear before the Ways and Means Committee. Your notice should give us some idea of the budget issues you want to address, the names of the individuals within your agency who will be presenting the budget, and the amount of time necessary to complete the presentation.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,


Patrick J. Kiely
Chairman, Ways and Means Committee


H. Jack Mullendore
Ranking Member, Budget

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DAN GARDNER
Executive Director

January 23, 1987

The Honorable Patrick J. Kiely
Chairman, Ways and Means Committee
House of Representatives
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

The Honorable H. Jack Mullendore
Ranking Member, Budget
House of Representatives
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Representatives Kiely and Mullendore:

This letter is a written confirmation of my phone conversation with your staff stating the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission was not requesting a budget hearing during the General Assembly session in light of your letter of January 5, 1987.

I did want to write you to update you on one major item that has occurred since our presentation of funding needs to the Budget Committee on October 1, 1986 that I feel will further emphasize the reality of the need for our request.

On November 17, 1986, President Reagan did sign into law the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (H.R. 6). This bill contains the Federal construction authorization for the Little Calumet project; and will put the needed State commitments on the fast track we attempted to portray for the Budget Committee in our presentation.

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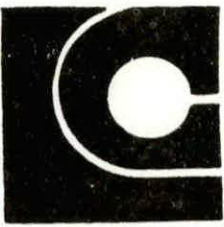
The Development Commission reaffirms its need for \$10 million remaining funds within a three biennium time frame; beginning this biennium, to be able to meet the Federal construction schedule.

I do wish, on behalf of the Development Commission, to thank you for your interest and attention to our needs at the hearing, and the Budget Committee's subsequent recommendation of continued funding support. We are aware of the tough financial decisions before you and we appreciate your support. We pledge to continue to work closely with the Budget committee members and Budget Agency staff as this long-awaited project in northwest Indiana reaches fruition.

If any additional information is needed by yourself or any of the committee, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission



Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

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January 8, 1987

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DAN GARDNER
Executive Director

The Honorable John Bushemi
Indiana State Senator
5847 Broadway
Merrillville, IN 46410

Dear Senator Bushemi:

On behalf of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, we wish you a happy new year and hope for you a successful 1987. We at the Development Commission are acutely aware of the many important issues facing you and your colleagues in this session of the General Assembly.

We are writing you to provide information/support documentation of the Development Commission's 1987-88 General Assembly capital budget request of \$3 million and to solicit your active support for its inclusion/adoption in the final budget bill. Included behind this letter are the presentation materials submitted at the State Budget Committee hearing held October 1, 1986, when the Development Commission made its funding request for this biennium.

We are quite excited over several developments that we hope will help you justify supporting our funding request:

- 1) On November 17, 1986 President Reagan signed into law the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 which contained in it the Little Calumet Project. This bill which was previously passed by Congress, authorized Federal construction for the Little Calumet River Project for the first time. This is explained in the packet in more detail - but the essence is that the long awaited, much discussed Federal project is now ready to begin construction - some 65 million of Federal construction dollars for levees, pumping stations, channel widening/deepening and bridge improvements. Your aid in making sure the necessary State funding is available to allow this construction becomes all the more crucial.

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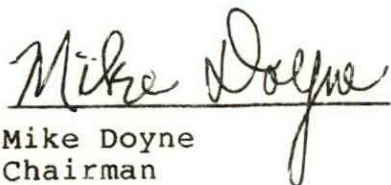
2) The State Budget Committee is recommending funding of \$2 million of the \$3 million requested in this biennium budget for the Development Commission. We feel this shows a better understanding and a greater level of commitment by the State leadership toward its responsibilities on the Little Calumet River Project. We applaud them and urge your support of our original \$3 million request if possible, but certainly of holding the critically needed \$2 million supported by the Budget Committee - especially in light of the recent Federal construction authorization.

These two developments are very positive - but they place a much greater responsibility on the General Assembly; our area delegation; and our local elected officials to insure the necessary local/State funding is available to allow the needed Federal construction to take place. No longer is there the luxury of saying the requested funding can be reduced because the project is not yet authorized for construction.

After reviewing the budget request and documentation, please feel free to contact our staff to answer any questions or to provide any additional data. We ask that you contact us if the need arises for a presentation to any individual legislator or group as the budget deliberations progress. We pledge to make ourselves available to aid you in any way.

Again, thank you for your past support and in advance for aid in this legislative session. Without the active, unified support of the Northwest Indiana delegation this project would have never have received Federal authorization nor received six bienniums of continued State funding.

Sincerely,


Mike Doyme
Chairman


Dan Gardner
Executive Director

INDIANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATE HOUSE

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204

January 14, 1987

Mike Doyne, Chairman
Dan Gardner, Executive Director
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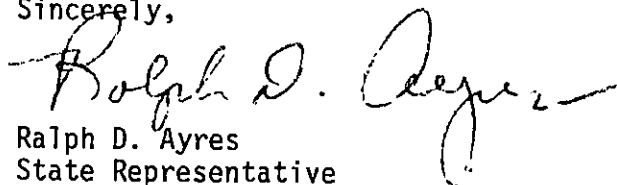
Dear Mike and Dan,

Thank you very much for your letter of January 8, 1987. The information you have provided me is greatly appreciated as well as the contact you have initiated.

Please be assured that as the 1987 legislative session continues, I will keep your views and ideas in mind. The whole question of the budget will be a top priority this year.

Again, thank you for your letter. Please contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,


Ralph D. Ayres
State Representative

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Post-Tribune photo by Larry A. Bretts

Dan Gardner, left, of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, and Ernie Niemeyer, chairman of the Lake County Drainage Board, look Thursday at plans for clearing the Little Calumet River at the Indianapolis Boulevard bridge. In the background are Jeff Jackson, of the Indiana Department of Commerce, left, and Tim Sanders, aide to Sens. Richard Lugar and Dan Quayle.

Cleaning expected to keep river flowing for five years

The latest phase of a project to minimize flooding along the Little Calumet River began Thursday at the Indianapolis Boulevard bridge on the Hammond-Highland border just south of Interstate 94.

It is part of a river-clearing project aimed at removing debris that impedes the flow of the river, said Dan Gardner, executive director of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission.

The latest phase involves clearing debris and sediment from under the Indianapolis Boulevard bridge and 400 feet along the river in each direction.

Gardner said the clearing and cleaning project should solve the flooding problem except when there is a major storm.

Gardner said the work continues a project under way since 1985. The river has been cleared from King Drive west to Chase Street in Gary.

Harold Moupin of Dyer Construction Co., which will do the latest work, said people throwing litter into the river is part of the problem, but the river would

The Little Calumet project is expected to solve the flooding problem except when there is a major storm.

overflow its banks anyway.

Trees and limbs fall into the river, some of them stopping in heaps next to bridges, Maupin said.

The cleaning should keep the river flowing for at least five years, he said. Maupin said the work should be finished before the spring rains begin in March and April.

The money for the project, \$64,765, was provided by four government agencies. Funding came from the Little Calumet River Basin Commission, \$17,740; the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, \$17,825; the Lake County Drainage Board, \$18,604; and the Indiana Department of Highways, \$10,000.

Little Cal cleaned up at Indianapolis Blvd.

Highland — A \$64,765 project is underway to remove built-up sediment and debris in the Little Calumet River at Indianapolis Blvd.

Crews arrived on the site last week to snag and remove trees and debris from the river, and its banks, and excavate sediment that has formed "sandbars" in the riverbed.

Work, which is expected to be complete in 30 days, will be done on the north and south banks. It will extend 400 feet to the east and 350 to the west, as well as under the Indianapolis Blvd. bridge.

The project is being co-operatively funded by the Lake County Drainage Board, the Little Calumet River Basin Commission, the Little Calumet River Development Commission and the state highway department.

According to Bill Henderson, deputy county surveyor and coordinator for the drainage board, the river will be the

same depth, from one bank to another, after work is complete.

"We're hoping to provide flood benefits for this area in the spring," Henderson said.

He explained that some of the sediment areas are five feet deep and will be relocated according to suggestions by

the Army Corps of Engineers. Deposits will be used to fill hollows in the river's sides and piled on, or behind levees and regraded.

"New slopes made from the grading will be seeded. You won't recognize the area. It will really look different when the project is done," Henderson added.

Dredging of Little Cal might ease floods

By ROBERT KASARDA
Times Staff Writer

HIGHLAND — Work has begun to reduce the chance of flooding for some Lake County communities along the Little Calumet River.

A team from Dyer Construction started dredging the river near the Indianapolis Boulevard bridge last Thursday, said William Henderson, deputy county surveyor.

The group will remove sediment from under the bridge and from the river bed 400 feet upstream to the west and 350 feet downstream to the east, Henderson said.

If the weather remains favorable, the work should be completed by the middle of February, he said.

The \$64,765 river cleaning project is the result of a cooperative effort among the Lake County Drainage Board, the Little Calumet River Basin Commission, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and the Indiana Department of Highways, Henderson said.

The county drainage board began preparing for the project in August by applying for the necessary permits, Henderson said. Soon after, TenEch Engineering, of East Chicago, was hired by the river basin

commission to create the plans and specifications of the project, he said.

By mid-November, the drainage board accepted a bid by Dyer Construction for the work, he said.

"We condensed the time frame to make sure the work is done by spring," Henderson said.

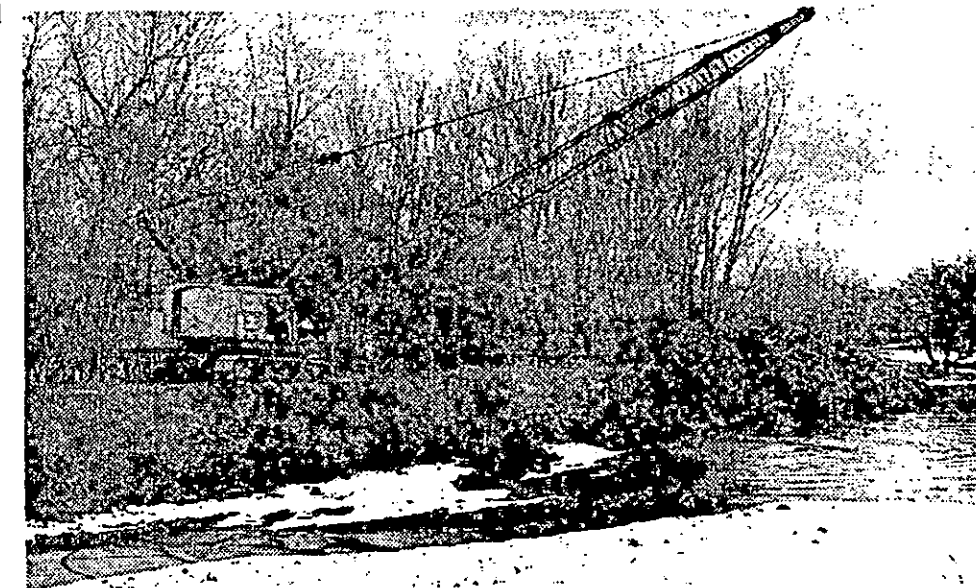
The melting of ice and snow in the spring greatly increases the risk of floods, he said.

The drainage board contributed \$19,200 to the project with funds saved from a 1986 dredging project in the Gary section of the river, Henderson said.

The Little Calumet River Basin Commission contributed \$17,740, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission gave \$17,825 and the Indiana Department of Highways added \$10,000.

The sections of the river around and under the bridge have been pinpointed as trouble areas by the river basin commission because of the high amount of sediment that had built up, Henderson said. There are shallow sandbars on both sides of the bridge and limited flow underneath it, he said.

Traffic on the bridge has been stopped many times in the past, he said, because the river waters rise over its deck. Sand-



Times photo by John J. Watkins

Dredging work continued along the Little Calumet on Thursday

bags have had to be placed on both sides of the bridge to hold back the water, he said.

The damming effect caused by the bridge during floods also causes flooding in nearby Munster, Hammond and Griffith, Hender-

son said.

The dredging project, which has not been done for many years, will reduce the chance of flooding for these communities, he said.



City of Portage
Office of Plan Commission

6070 CENTRAL AVENUE
PORTAGE, INDIANA 46368

January 2, 1987



Mr. Jeff Jackson
Community Economic Development
Indiana Department of Commerce
One North Capital, Suite 700
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2288

Dear Jeff,

We write as a follow-up to our telephone conversation on December 31st. Thank you for your cooperation and we wish to expand on the status of the Portage Marina project and our funding request.

The Portage project, as you know, is a joint effort at marina development by the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and the City of Portage. The Development Commission has been involved in this project prior to the creation of the Lake Michigan Marina Development Commission (LMMDC) and stands committed as a state agency to see the project through.

The State of Indiana has already committed \$1,768,000 of General Assembly funding for fifty per cent share of a breakwater at the mouth of Burns Waterway in Portage. The other fifty per cent funding has been furnished by the federal government (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers). Construction on the breakwater was begun in 1985 and completed last fall. The Development Commission (State of Indiana) is contractually committed to seeing complete a 300 slip public marina facility as part of this project.

As the result of the creation of the LMMDC, the implementation of the Portage project has been jointly coordinated by the City of Portage and the Development Commission. Both public entities are in agreement that the marina facility be developed with private sector financing and operation. Toward this end, our efforts have been to provide the needed public facilities and off site infrastructures to allow the private investment to occur.

To put in perspective our budget request, let us summarize progress of the project to date:

1) Site Land Acquisition

- 85% of the 18 acre site (15 acres) has currently been acquired by the Development Commission.
- Purchases have amounted to over \$250,000 from private parties.
- The Indiana Department of Highways and the Porter County Commissioners have donated public property to the project.
- The remaining 21 privately held lots have been surveyed, offered, condemned and are nearing closing at the price of \$100,000 (Frum condemnation).
- The plan is for the Development Commission to complete all acquisition by spring and then lease to private developers on a long term basis for the construction, maintenance and operation of the 300 slip public use facility.

2) Site Excavation

- The site has been previously disturbed and partially excavated.
- Last year 100,000 cubic yards of sand was contracted and removed by the Development Commission.
- This spring it is planned for the remaining material to be removed to bring the site to an elevation to permit harbor basin construction.

3) Breakwater Construction

- As previously mentioned, the twin stone breakwaters at the mouth of the Portage Burns Waterway have been completed last fall and the entry harbor and channel dredged by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer Contractors.

4) Public Infrastructure Development

A. Water

- Contracts for extension and provision of water service for 1987 construction have been let.
- Funds provided by Phase One LMMDC funding.

B. Road Access

- Site is easily accessible by existing I-80/94, S.R. 249, U.S. 12.
- Existing interchange from I-80/94 and S.R. 249 is adequate.
- Direct site access improvements funded with Phase One LMMDC funding.
- No remaining access restrictions exist (i.e.: bridges, railroads, major roads).

C. Electric, Gas, Telephone Service

- Existing at site boundaries.

Therefore our request for General Assembly funding in the 1987-88 biennium, the amount of which was broadly identified in the economic feasibility studies conducted by the LMMDC consultants (TenEch/PLANTEC), is for the provision of the few remaining public infrastructure facilities needed and project preliminary design and engineering funding to meet the needs of private developers.

Specifically our request is: \$1,485,000 total.

- 1) \$550,000 Sewer Line Extension
- 2) \$385,000 Preliminary Design & Engineering
- 3) \$550,000 General Telephone Long Distance Line Relocation

An additional benefit of the proposed funding for sewer line extension is to provide service to other marina sites in the general area and to ancillary developments that will occur as a result of marina development. The Portage Marina site is unique in that it is in an area of existing marinas and great possibilities exist for additional marina development (i.e.: Frum Marina, National Lakeshore/Midwest Steel parcel).

Our dollar amounts are derived from engineering estimates for each line item as done by the City Engineers office.

These items accomplish all that is necessary to make the project attractive to a developer and economically feasible based upon earlier consultants analysis. We have met with several private developers who have expressed an interest and concur with this development scenario. As negotiations continue we can provide letters of interest.

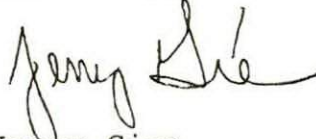
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Because our project is a part of a Section 107 Breakwater Project the site has already been analyzed by the Corps of Engineers. A State of Indiana Department of Natural Resources permit will be required and will be applied for at the appropriate time.

We hope that this information is helpful in your understanding of our project. We are asking for your support in our request for State funding of the infrastructure portion of our project. We are strongly committed to private sector involvement as our local share. Along with Mayor Robert Goin, we are available to discuss in further detail any questions you might have about our project and are hopeful we can meet further with yourself and Mike Shaver.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Jerry Gies
Portage City Planner



Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission

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cc: Mayor Robert Goin
Michael Doyne, LCRBDC Chairman
Barbara Waxman, LMMDC Director

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MERCANTILE NATIONAL BANK

JANUARY 1, 1986 - DECEMBER 31, 1986

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 1986

Checking Account		
Land Acquisition	\$	6,705.50
General Fund		26,085.14
Tax Fund		1,881.00
Investments		<u>921,000.00</u>
		\$ 955,671.64

RECEIPTS: January 1, 1986 - December 31, 1986

Lease Rents	\$	62,740.50
Interest		67,871.43
Land Acquisition		1,441,323.26
Taxes		8,200.19
Bonds & Insurance		<u>968.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$1,581,103.38

DISBURSEMENTS: January 1, 1986 - December 31, 1986

1985 Expenses paid in 1986	\$186,702.55
Per Diem	10,593.00
NIRPC	62,050.92
Lou Casale	3,861.63
George Schiller	1,424.25
Tax Payment	60.96
Travel & Mileage	4,116.97
Printing & Advertising	440.27
Bonds & Insurance	6,070.50
Meeting Expense	3,200.00
Land Acquisition--Legal Service	33,828.98
Land Acquisition--Prof. Consultant	51,634.00
Land Acquisition--Land Purchase Costs	906,155.00
Land Acquisition--Land Cap.Improvement	110,717.78
Land Acquisition--Struct. Cap. Improv.	9,111.50
Burns Waterway	<u>149,172.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$1,539,140.31

CASH POSITION - DECEMBER 31, 1986

Checking Account		
Land Acquisition	\$	15,096.80
General Fund		37,517.68
Tax Fund		10,020.23
Investments		<u>935,000.00</u>
		\$ 997,634.71

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR JANUARY MEETING

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

BUDGET CODE	BUDGET CATEGORY	BUDGET AMOUNT	AMOUNT PAID PREVIOUSLY	UNPAID BALANCE	AMOUNT READY FOR PAYMENT	PROJECTED BALANCE
119	PER DIEM EXPENSES	16000.00	0.00	16000.00	0.00	16000.00
311	LEGAL SERVICES	7500.00	0.00	7500.00	378.33	7121.67
312	NIRPC SERVICES	94000.00	0.00	94000.00	4625.73	89374.27
323	TRAVEL & MILEAGE	6000.00	0.00	6000.00	83.00	5917.00
331	PRINTING & ADVERTISING	2500.00	0.00	2500.00	9.00	2491.00
341	BONDS & INSURANCE	7500.00	0.00	7500.00	0.00	7500.00
361	EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE COST	3500.00	0.00	3500.00	0.00	3500.00
399	MEETING EXPENSES	3000.00	0.00	3000.00	520.25	2479.75
411	LEGAL SERVICES - ACQUISITION	50000.00	0.00	50000.00	0.00	50000.00
412	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	100000.00	0.00	100000.00	18657.00	81343.00
413	LAND PURCHASE COSTS	2627412.00	0.00	2627412.00	1115.00	2626297.00
414	LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	150000.00	0.00	150000.00	0.00	150000.00
415	BURNS BREAKWATER CONSTRUCTION	2128.00	0.00	2128.00	0.00	2128.00
416	STRUCT. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	50000.00	0.00	50000.00	0.00	50000.00
417	PROPERTY/STRUCTURES INSURANCE	15000.00	0.00	15000.00	0.00	15000.00
		3134540.00	.00	3134540.00	25388.31	3109151.69

CLAIMS READY FOR PAYMENT

BUDGET CODE	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
311	LOUIS CASALE	95.00	ADDITIONAL LEGAL SERVICES RENDERED 12/86
311	LOUIS CASALE	283.33	ATTORNEY RETAINER FEE 12/86
312	NIRPC	4625.73	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE FEE 12/86
323	MICHAEL DOYNE.	12.00	REIMBURSEMENT RE: TRI-STATE TICKET FOR NAUFMA CONFERENCE
323	MICHAEL DOYNE	71.00	MILEAGE EXPENSE INCURRED ON 11/24/86
331	DUNES COUNTRY HOLIDAY	9.00	ONE ONE-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO DUNES COUNTRY MAGAZINE
399	BEACH CAFE	520.25	YEAR END MEETING EXPENSES INCURRED
412	CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE	70.00	TITLE WORK INCURRED ON CATFISH BAY PROPERTY DC 203
412	DEPT. OF NAT. RESOURCES	13200.00	COST INCURRED RE: OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF GAGING STATIONS
412	LOUIS CASALE	1212.00	LEGAL FEES RE: LAND ACQUISITION SERVICES FOR 12/86
412	PORTER CO. SUPERIOR CT.	2250.00	COST OF 3 APPRAISALS OF FRUM PROPERTY AS PER ORDER OF THE COURT
412	CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE	1925.00	EXPENSES INCURRED ON EWEN, RUESKEN & CATFISH BAY PROPERTIES
413	CLARK & ETHEL JOHNSON	840.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF PROPERTY DC200 0.56 ACRES
413	A. E. SPENCER	275.00	PURCHASE PRICE OF PROPERTY DC171
		25388.31	

A D D I T I O N A L C L A I M S

412	ROBERT STOUFFER	\$1,252.50	FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED 12/8-31/86
412	ROBERT STOUFFER	<u>672.80</u>	FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED 01/6-15/87
	TOTAL	\$1,925.30	

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Name of meeting: **LCRBDC**

Date: **1-29-87**

	NAME (please print)	Organization and/or Address	
1	BOB KASARDA	the Times	1
2	BILL SHEAHAN	WJTB	2
3	Bob Behnke	Nobart	3
4	Richard J. Bundy	Salmon Unlimited	4
5	Jeff Ewen	Ewen Farm	5
6	Don Ewen	"	6
7	Terry Mc Closkey	Isaac Walton League	7
8	Liz Mc Closkey	Isaac Walton League	8
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Chairman: **MIKE DOYNE**

Location:

Chairman Mike Doyne announced he and Dan Gardner attended a legislative briefing in Indianapolis on January 14th at the invitation of the Lake Michigan Marina Development Commission. The intent of the meeting was to promote marina development interest and support; he felt the message was very well received and the turnout was large.

Dan Gardner referred to a letter (included in packet) addressed to Jeff Jackson, Dept. of Commerce that he and Jerry Gies, City Planner for Portage, had written in regard to the LMMDC request for 1987 funding. These would provide the remaining public infrastructure facilities needed and the project preliminary design and engineering funding to meet the needs of private developers.

Terry McCloskey of the Izaak Walton League questioned the leasing of the agriculture property and was informed that the item was deferred. Mr. McCloskey questioned the proposed sale of land by the Gary Public Works to Steel City Truck plaza. He was informed it is not a sale - only an option contingent upon many things, one being permits which have not been applied for yet. Mr. McCloskey stated that the Izaak Walton League supports the budget request of the Development Commission.

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, February 24.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 by a motion from Clyde Baughard; seconded by George Carlson.

/sjm