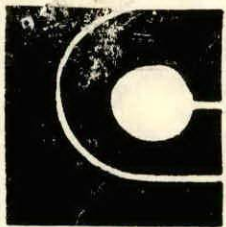


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# Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission

8149 Kennedy Avenue Highland, Indiana 46322 (219) 923-1118

## MEETING NOTICE

THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE  
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT  
COMMISSION  
AT 6:30 P.M. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1992  
AT THE OFFICE OF THE  
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
8149 KENNEDY AVENUE  
HIGHLAND, INDIANA

*Absent*  
ARLENE COLVIN, Chairperson  
Mayor of Gary's Appointment

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DAN GARDNER  
Executive Director

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B. Legislative Committee - George Carlson, Chairman

- ☐ 1993/95 State Budget request

C. Land Acquisition/Management Committee - Charles Agnew, Chairman

- ☐ Joint Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m.
- ☐ Appraisals, offers, acquisitions, recommended actions
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- ☐ Joint Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m.
- ☐ Phase II Stage II Construction
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- ☐ Report on the Portage Plan Commission review
- ☐ Other issues

- 6. Other Business
- 7. Statements to the Board from the floor
- 8. Set date for next meeting; adjournment

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
HELD AT 6:30 P.M. THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 1992  
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICES  
8149 KENNEDY AVENUE, HIGHLAND, INDIANA

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Chairperson Arlene Colvin called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Nine (9) Commissioners were present. Quorum was declared and guests were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

George Carlson  
Charles Agnew  
Dave Springman  
Nathaniel Leonard  
Steve Davis  
Clyde Baughard  
William Tanke  
Arlene Colvin  
John DeMeo

Staff:

Dan Gardner  
Lou Casale  
Sandy Mordus  
Bruce Stouffer

Visitors:

Pete Zak - South Shore Marina  
Mary Jane Zak - " "  
D. R. Shapiro - Highland  
Leon Wells - Lake County  
Highway Dept.  
Jim Flora - R.W. Armstrong  
Siavash Beik - DNR, Div. Water  
Bill Petrites - Highland  
E. Dybel - United Citizens  
John Bach - Town of Highland  
Reporter

The minutes of the July 1st, 1992 meeting were approved by a motion from Clyde Baughard; seconded by Chuck Agnew; motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director's Report - Mr. Gardner gave an update to the Commission regarding Wicker Park Manor levee project. Siavash Biek from DNR delivered the plans and specifications for the tie back levee project west of Indpls. Blvd. The Land Acquisition Committee reviewed them prior to the meeting. Mr. Gardner stated DNR's recommendation was for the Commission to authorize bidding for the tie back levee. We would bid, award, fund and oversee the project. Mr. Agnew made a motion for the Commission to that effect; motion seconded by John DeMeo; motion passed by a majority 8-1 vote, with Clyde Baughard opposing.

Mr. Gardner read Resolution 92-1 which requests the Corps to approve, schedule and fund the north line of levee protection for Wicker Park Manor. George Carlson made a motion to send the resolution to the Corps; seconded by Charles Agnew; motion passed unanimously. Resolution 92-1 is made of the minutes and attached hereto as "Attachment 1".

George Carlson then made a motion authorizing staff to pursue the necessary land and right-of-way acquisition to allow the levee construction in Wicker Park Manor; motion seconded by John DeMeo; motion passed unanimously.

Nathaniel Leonard made a motion authorizing staff to file with SEMA a Section 404 grant to offset administrative & monitoring cost; motion seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously.

Finance/Policy Committee - Committee Chairman Clyde Baughard presented the financial status report for July as well as the claims. Mr. Baughard made a motion to approve the pending claims; motion seconded by Nathaniel Leonard; motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Committee - Mr. Gardner reported to the Commissioners that we have just received the instructional paperwork for preparing the FY93-95 state biennium request. The request is due at the Budget Agency September 4th. The Corps is providing us with a revised schedule so staff can calculate needed monies for the next two years. Federal money approved for FY 1993 is \$11 million.

Land Acquisition Committee - Land Acquisition Chairman Chuck Agnew reported that the two Whiteco signs that are on property needed for the next phase levee construction must be removed. He made a motion giving staff permission to condemn, litigate or do whatever is needed to have those signs removed from Commission property; motion seconded by Nathaniel Leonard; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Agnew also made a motion authorizing staff to offer an increased appraisal price from \$1,050 to \$1,400 for DC154; motion seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Agnew then made a motion approving the cost of \$140 for title work and appraisal cost for each of 19 properties that is needed from the Lake County Commissioners. These are properties obtained from back taxes. Motion was seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously.

Project Engineering/Construction Committee - Mr. Gardner reported that the bids were opened on July 28 for Stage II Phase II. The lowest bidder was a joint venture bid of Dyer Construction/Ellias Construction.

Jim Flora, project engineer, informed the Commission he was present, along with the Corps and Dyer Construction, at the final levee inspection for Phase I on July 31st (north levee between Harrison & Broadway). Except for a few minor changes/additions that were needed, they were satisfied with the work completed.

The Corps has asked us for a commitment on whether we plan to put any kind of facing material on closure structures. Any plans for facing will be incorporated into Stage III specifications. Jim Flora will put together some ideas for facing; they will be shared with Commission at a later date when available.

Discussion took place on minority participation in the first contract. We received a letter from the Corps stating 43% of hours charged were by minority labor. The Commission/Corps has had four separate seminars in which contractors were invited to participate.

Discussion of utility relocation is continuing to be worked on by Mr. Flora. The utility relocation schedule is a major concern; cost will be a concern also. In addition to the utilities being a major item, the railroads remain a major coordination issue.

Mr. Gardner is still pushing INDOT to schedule the Grant St. bridge raising. No date has been identified yet.

Marina/Breakwater Committee - Committee Chairman Bill Tanke referred to final conceptual plan given to all members. He stated that the next stage is to procure an engineering firm for final engineering and design.

William Tanke made a motion to accept Resolution 92-2 which (1) accepts the engineering/marketing feasibility study, (2) authorizes staff and attorney to negotiate agreement for engineering services for final plans with the recommendation and participation of the city of Portage and (3) submit resolution to city of Portage. Motion seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Tanke also reported that all permits have been filed. The federal permit is out to the public. DNR permit will be out very shortly.

In regards to sandmining, the permit for below grade sand excavation has been approved by the city of Portage. Several conditions must be met; such ~~as~~, updated insurance, increased bonding, new haul road identification, silt fence requirement. Staff will write letter to sandmining contractor outlining conditions.

NIPSCO issues remain. A NIPSCO pole needs to be relocated. The Crisman Road vacation is on hold at the moment. The hearing has been rescheduled at a later date pending review by the Portage attorney.

Staff will write a letter to Marquette directing them to no longer use access across Commission property via the haul road from Crisman Rd. to their slips due to safety factors and to alert them that modified permit application drawings have been submitted that shows construction end of the project and boardwalk at the northerly end of NIPSCO right-of-way.

Mr. Tanke made a motion to further engage Abonmarche for technical engineering assistance needed in the interim period until an engineering firm is selected for final plans; motion seconded by Clyde Baughard; motion passed unanimously.

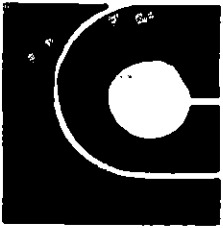
Statement to the Board - Citizen Bill Petrites inquired about the time frame the Corps would estimate for the north levee at Wicker Park Manor. Mr. Gardner indicated they had originally referred to it as being a 10 month project once begun.

Citizen Don Shapiro stated safety concern about parked cars and young adults causing property damage near the levee.

Mr. Petrites also inquired about who would be the acting agency to oversee the project and who would declare it 50% complete. Mr. Gardner stated that probably it would be FEMA.

There was no other business. The next Commission meeting was scheduled for Thursday, September 3, 1992 at 6:30 p.m.

/sjm



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## RESOLUTION 92-1

RESOLUTION OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FORMALLY REQUESTING THE U.S. ARMY CORPS - OF ENGINEERS, CHICAGO DISTRICT, APPROVE, SCHEDULE AND FEDERALLY FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LEVEE SEGMENT PROTECTING THE WICKER PARK MANOR SUBDIVISION IN HIGHLAND, CONSISTENT WITH THE AUTHORIZED FEDERAL FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT, FOR CONSTRUCTION START AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE IN 1993.

WHEREAS, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission is the local sponsor with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for a federally funded flood protection project along the Little Calumet River in Lake County, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Wicker Park Manor subdivision in Highland suffered severe flooding in November 1990; and

WHEREAS, the combined efforts of Federal, State, County and municipal agencies have coordinated efforts to meet the Federal Emergency Management Agency's regulatory requirements to restore floodplain reconstruction eligibility following the flood event; and

WHEREAS, the best technical and long term economic solution determined by these combined agencies identifies a levee construction project meeting Corps of Engineers authorized project specifications; and

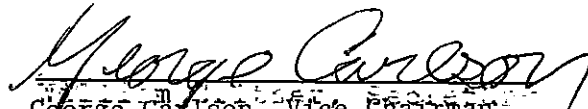
WHEREAS, the current schedule for this construction is, at best, several years in the future,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission formally requests the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers approve, schedule, and federally fund the construction of the levee segment protecting the Wicker Park Manor subdivision in Highland, consistent with the authorized Federal Flood Control Project, for construction start as early as possible in 1993.

Duly adopted this 6th day of August, 1992.

  
Arlene Colvin, Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
George Carlson, Vice Chairman



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## INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PATRICK R. RALSTON, DIRECTOR

Division of Water  
402 W. Washington St., Rm. W264  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2212  
317-232-4160  
FAX: 317-233-4579

September 1, 1992

Richard Carlson  
Deputy District Engineer  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
111 N. Canal Street  
Chicago, IL 60606

Re: Wicker Park Levee  
Highland, Indiana

Dear Richard:

Enclosed are three (3) copies of plans and technical specifications, prepared by our Consulting Engineer, for construction of an embankment levee on the north of the Wicker Park Subdivision and the Tri-State parking lot.

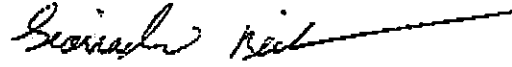
For your information, the existing sheet pile wall which forms the northern section of the temporary tie-back to the west of the subdivision has already been strengthened, in late July, through building up and compaction of the land side soils and placement of supporting concrete blocks on top of the compacted material. Plans and specs for construction of the remainder of the temporary tie-back levee was submitted to the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission in early August and is being bid on now with construction scheduled for this fall.

Please have your staff review the plans and specs and let us know as soon as possible if there are any corrections/changes to be made to them. A copy is also currently under review by our agency. I will send you a copy of our review comments as soon as it is ready so that they may be combined with your review comments to save time and effort. We would like to schedule a meeting with the consultant in early October so that they can finalize their activity as soon as possible to avoid any unnecessary delays in your bidding and construction schedule for this portion of the project.

Richard Carlson  
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Again thank you for your cooperation and if you have any questions regarding this letter or need additional information, please let me know. I look forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely,



Siavash E. Beik, P.E.  
Assistant Director  
Division of Water

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Enclosures

Copy: SEG Consultants  
Dan Gardner, LCRBDC  
Dean Ogan, SEMA  
John Bach, Highland Public Works  
Dominic Noce, Highland Town Council  
Les Miller, Exec. Assistant to Governor

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MERCANTILE NATIONAL BANK

JANUARY 1, 1992 - JULY 31, 1992

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 1992

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	125,840.40	
GENERAL FUND	68,026.65	
TAX FUND	2,922.85	
INVESTMENTS	1,279,651.49	
	-----	1,476,441.39

RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 1992 - JULY 31, 1992

LEASE RENTS	48,165.14	
INTEREST	29,622.12	
LAND ACQUISITION	192,522.64	
MISCELLANEOUS	9,400.10	
LCRBC - INTEREST FROM INVESTMENT	828.06	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST TO DATE	14,769.28	
TAXES	46.69	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	-----	295,354.03

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 1992 - JULY 31, 1992

1991 EXPENSES PAID IN 1992	22,485.67	
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES		
PER-DIEM EXPENSES	2,800.00	
LEGAL SERVICES	1,957.98	
NIRPC	37,251.88	
TRAVEL & MILEAGE	524.90	
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	55.95	
BONDS AND INSURANCE	5,426.50	
MEETING EXPENSES	797.55	
L/A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES		
LEGAL SERVICES	13,607.50	
APPRAISAL SERVICES	2,850.00	
ENGINEERING SERVICES	38,221.78	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	43,921.92	
LAND MANAGEMENT SERVICES	12,732.27	
OPERATIONAL SERVICES	2,438.00	
L/A REAL ESTATE TAXES	1,000.88	
L/A UTILITY RELOCATION	14,185.30	
L/A PROPERTY STRUCTURES ACQUISITIONS	35,441.12	
L/A LAND CAP IMPROVEMENT	3,740.00	
L/A STRUCTURE CAP IMPROVEMENT	33,020.47	
L/A PROPERTY STRUCTURE INSURANCE	14,886.88	
LCRBC FUNDS RE: CULVERT INSTALLATION	220,479.53	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS :	-----	507,826.08

CASH POSITION - JULY 31, 1992

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	89,400.58	
GENERAL FUND	97,830.82	
TAX FUND	1,968.66	
INVESTMENTS	1,060,000.00	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	14,769.28	
	-----	1,263,969.34



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**CHICAGO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS**  
111 NORTH CANAL STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606-7208

August 26, 1992

**Project Management**

Mr. James H. Luken  
Senior Vice President  
INB National Bank, NW.  
651 East Commercial Avenue  
P.O. Box 8  
Lowell, Indiana 46356

Subject: Little Calumet River Project Construction Fund Escrow  
Account Number 02-444-747

Dear Mr. Luken:

The Department of the Army hereby issues a written demand for withdrawal of \$52,000 from the referenced escrow account in accordance with the escrow agreement entered into on August 16, 1990.

Please provide the amount requested above in the form of a bank draft payable to FAO, U.S. Army Engineer Division, North Central (USAED, NCD). Please mail or otherwise deliver to this address to the attention of Ms. Patricia A. Lawlor, CENCC-PP-PO, within 10 days of receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,

David M. Reed  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army  
District Engineer

Copy Furnished:

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

**▶ PROJECTS**

# Contract for levee work to two firms

▶ Companies from  
Dyer and Gary will  
work on the Little  
Calumet project.

Post-Tribune staff report

Dyer and Gary construction companies have been awarded a \$1.2 million contract to do levee work along the Little Calumet River, U.S. Rep. Peter J. Visclosky, D-Merrillville, announced Thursday.

The contract, awarded to Dyer Construction Co. of Dyer, and Elias Construction Co. of Gary, is a joint venture calling for 50,000 cubic yards of levee embankment from Grant to Harrison streets in Gary.

Construction is expected to begin by the end of September and be completed in about a year.

The work is part of the \$92.3 million flood-control and recreation project along the Little Calumet River.

The project includes replacing and constructing about 22 miles of levees, flood-proofing homes, dredging seven miles of river and building 16.8 miles of hiking trails. Almost 800 acres of wetlands will be preserved.

The project, scheduled for completion in 1996, is a joint venture of federal, state and local governments.

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# Area firms land \$1.2 million for flood control

Times Staff Report

WASHINGTON - A \$1.2 million joint-venture contract has been awarded to two area firms to do work on the Little Calumet River federal flood control project, Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Ind., said Thursday.

The contract calls for Dyer Construction Co. of Dyer and Ellas Construction Co. of Gary to build a levee from Grant

to Harrison streets in Gary.

Construction is expected to begin at the end of September and be completed in about a year.

The construction is part of a \$92.3 million flood control project along the Little Calumet River from Gary west to the Illinois state line.

The project includes replacing about 22 miles of levees; floodproofing homes, dredging seven miles of the river and

constructing 16.8 miles of hiking trails, Visclosky said in a news release.

The entire project is expected to be completed in 1996 and will include the preservation of 788 acres of wetlands, he said.

"The project will provide flood protection for 9,500 acres and more than 8,930 structures, including homes,

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## Flood

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businesses, Indiana University Northwest and Purdue University Calumet," Visclosky said.

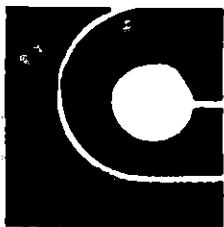
"It will bring peace of mind and economic vitality to areas whose productivity has been drowned by flooding."

Visclosky said the contract

with Dyer Construction and Ellas Construction will create jobs.

"I'm very pleased the Little Calumet River project continues to move forward, improving our quality of life," he said.

In 1986, Visclosky won authorization for the project in the Water Resources Reauthorization Act.



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Mr. Carl Fisher, Superintendent  
Portage Park Department  
2100 Willow Creek Road  
Portage IN 46368

**WILLIAM CRITSER, Secretary**  
*Governor's Appointment*

**CHARLES AGNEW**  
*Governor's Appointment*

Dear Mr. Fisher:

**NATHANIEL LEONARD**  
*Lake County Commissioners'  
Appointment*

**STEVE DAVIS**  
*Dept. of Natural Resources'  
Appointment*

I am writing to express the support of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission for the submission by the Portage Park Board for an Indiana Waters Grant to construct boat launch and public access facilities to the Portage Burns Waterway.

**JOHN DEMEO**  
*Governor's Appointment*

**DAVID SPRINGMAN**  
*Governor's Appointment*

**WILLIAM TANKE**  
*Porter County Commissioners'  
Appointment*


This project is on land owned by the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, a state development commission, and will contribute significantly to public access as part of a 250+ slip public marina development. This project is being developed as a joint venture between the Development Commission (state) and the city of Portage (Port Authority and Park Board). This project is part of a public marina commitment to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers through a Section 107 breakwater/small boat harbor project. We believe this project demonstrates the best in Federal, State and local cooperation to provide needed recreation and public access facilities to Lake Michigan.

**VACANCY**  
*Governor's Appointment*

**DAN GARDNER**  
*Executive Director*

We reiterate our strong support for this project and urge your favorable consideration. Please do not hesitate to call me if any information is needed.

Sincerely,

  
Dan Gardner  
Executive Director



# OPINION

Richard Esposito  
Publisher

Pasquale Rocchio  
Managing editor

## EDITORIALS

### Marina plans

#### Indolent Uncle Sam, states may yet mess up project

**P**ortage has been trying for months to get its planned marina off paper and in construction. Some work on the marina project has begun. Two area firms are removing sand for the basin itself. The firms are taking the sand and using it as fill for Interstate 80-94 projects in Lake County.

There are no plans to dredge the Burns Waterway although the Portage Port Authority has gotten its permit to do so. The dredging won't be required to construct the 254-slip marina at U.S. 249 (Crisman Road) near U.S. 12.

The permit will alleviate fears that came out in 1989, when water levels dropped substantially. If the water level along the ditch gets too low in the future, the Port Authority would already have the OK to dredge, if necessary.

While the permit allows dredging, another obstacle has cropped up which may prevent it. The problem will be where to put the contaminated muck.

The government is running out of room to store Great Lakes muck, contaminated sediment dredged from navigation channels, and the problem will get worse.

According to a General Accounting Office study, by the year 2006, 24 of 28 storage sites will be full. Six sites, including one in Michigan City, already are full. And the Environmental Protection Agency soon will require more of the mess to be stored.

Meanwhile industries continue to legally dump tons of pollutants into the lakes. The GAO says "The pollution of sediments in the Great Lakes has not been stopped or reversed over 20 years." Dredging is necessary to keep waterways clear for commercial ships and recreational boats.

Twenty years ago Congress assumed regulators would eventually end the flow of pollutants and figured the storage program would be necessary for only 10 years. It figured wrong.

To alleviate the problem, state and federal governments must either stop the dumping of pollutants in the lakes, stop the dredging or find new storage areas.

It'll probably take another 20 years to decide which course to follow. In the meantime the pollutants will keep flowing into the lakes and the storage areas will keep filling up. And Portage better hope the level of Lake Michigan doesn't drop again.

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The Vidette-Messenger, Friday, Aug. 28, 1992 7A

# Grants will fund marina, trails

by Ed P. Frederici  
The Vidette-Messenger

PORTAGE — Park Board members are vying for state funds to help two local projects.

Two grant applications, which would help fund the proposed public marina along Burns Waterway and phase three of the Prairie-Duneland Trail, are due by Sept. 1.

The Indiana Waters Fund Grant Program could produce \$500,000 for the construction of a 254-wet slip marina and associated recreational facilities, including a three-lane boat launch,

associated parking, two bathhouses and a fishing pier and boardwalk. All facilities will be handicap accessible.

Cost for the \$6 million marina will be split between the city and the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission, which have entered a joint venture to satisfy promises made to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers when it constructed a breakwater at the mouth of Burns Waterway.

To secure the grant, ownership of the marina would fall to the Park Board, which would then lease the marina to the Port Authority. The Port Authority would

then be responsible for maintenance and upkeep of the marina, Park Board Superintendent Carl J. Fisher said.

Studies of the waterway have shown a capacity of more than 2,000 slips. A few hundred slips are still available, 254 of which will be filled by the proposed marina.

The second grant would provide \$75,000 from the Land and Water Conservation Grant for completion of the third phase of the Prairie-Duneland Trail.

The money needed to fund the \$186,700 third phase would be

supplied by the Park Board. That cost includes the grant.

A grant for phase one of the trail was awarded by the state in 1990 through a Hometown Indiana Grant. A grant for phase two of the trail, supplied by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, has been approved by the state legislature and is pending payment.

The trail is approximately six miles long, a linear park fashioned from land left by abandoned railroad tracks. It stretches from County Line Road to state Route 149.

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ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Name of meeting: LCRBDC

Date: Sept. 9

	NAME (please print)	Organization and/or Address	
1	<del>VIRGIL MEIER</del>	<del>8131 SYCAMORE</del>	1
2	<del>Ronald M. Shapiro</del>	<del>8230 Wicky PK Dr.</del>	2
3	<del>Stanley Petrites</del>	<del>8200 Indpls Blvd</del>	3
4	<del>Bill Petrites</del>	<del>Highland</del>	4
5	SUNITA Singh	Congressman Visclasky	5
6	JAMES FLORA	R.W. ARMSTRONG	6
7	Siavash Beik	IDNR - water	7
8	Ron Schatts	Shonmarche, Inc.	8
9	Mike Vander Hay den	Dyer Court.	9
10	Pete & Mary Jane Zak	South Shore Marine	10
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Chairman:

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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT  
AUGUST 31, 1992

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET AMOUNT	AMOUNT PAID PREVIOUSLY	UNPAID BALANCE	AMOUNT READY FOR PAYMENT	PROJECTED BALANCE
5119	PER DIEM EXPENSES	\$16,000.00	2,800.00	13,200.00	0.00	\$13,200.00
5311	LEGAL EXPENSES	7,500.00	2,241.31	5,258.69	0.00	5,258.69
5312	NIRPC SERVICES	94,000.00	43,342.20	50,657.80	6,479.21	44,178.59
5323	TRAVEL & MILEAGE	7,500.00	570.90	6,929.10	47.00	6,882.10
5331	PRINTING & ADVERTISING	2,000.00	106.90	1,893.10	129.27	1,763.83
5341	BONDS & INSURANCE	7,500.00	5,426.50	2,073.50	0.00	2,073.50
5361	EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE COSTS	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
5399	MEETING EXPENSES	2,500.00	1,136.30	1,363.70	37.18	1,326.52
5410	LEGAL SERVICES	50,000.00	20,810.00	29,190.00	5,420.33	23,769.67
5420	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	250,000.00	115,254.23	134,745.77	6,648.37	128,097.40
5430	PROJECT LAND PURCHASE COSTS	3,902,705.00	36,813.88	3,865,891.12	0.00	3,865,891.12
5440	PROPERTY/STRUCTURES INSURANCE	25,000.00	16,361.88	8,638.12	1,583.00	7,055.12
5450	UTILITY RELOCATION COSTS	100,000.00	18,458.40	81,541.60	1,400.00	80,141.60
5460	PROJECT LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	150,000.00	5,660.00	144,340.00	10,980.00	133,360.00
5470	STRUCTURES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	40,000.00	33,020.45	6,979.55	0.00	6,979.55
5480	BURNS WATERWAY BREAKWATER	44,000.00	0.00	44,000.00	0.00	44,000.00
5490	ESCROW ACCOUNT	908,000.00	0.00	908,000.00	0.00	908,000.00
TOTAL:		\$5,609,705.00	\$302,002.95	\$5,307,702.05	\$32,724.36	\$5,274,977.69

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ACCOUNT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5312	NIRPC	6,479.21	FOR SERVICES PERFORMED DURING JUNE 92
5323	DAN GARDNER	47.00	MEETING EXPENSES INCURRED 8/12 - 8/28/92
5331	INDIANAPOLIS NEWSPAPER, INC	39.00	COST INCURRED RE: PUBLICATION OF LEGAL AD
5331	POST-TRIBUNE	46.72	COST INCURRED RE: PUBLICATION OF LEGAL AD
5331	THE TIMES	43.55	COST INCURRED RE: PUBLICATION OF LEGAL AD
5399	RIGBY'S RESTAURANT	37.18	MEETING EXPENSES INCURRED AT CORPS ACQUISITION MEETING 8/26/92
5410	LOUIS M. CASALE	5,420.33	LAND AND LAND IMPROVEMENT BILLING (8/1 - 9/2/92, INCLUSIVE)
5423	NIPSCO	30.64	UTILITY SERVICES INCURRED FORM 7/14 - 8/13/92
5423	CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE CO.	260.00	TITLE WORK INCURRED ON DC 357
5423	R. W. ARMSTRONG	2,865.10	COST INCURRED RE: GENERAL SERVICES EXPENSE
5424	ROBERT B. STOUFFER	990.63	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED 8/14 - 9/4/92
5424	ROBERT B. STOUFFER	1,212.75	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED 8/6-21/92
5424	ROBERT B. STOUFFER	1,289.25	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED 7/20 - 8/5/92
5440	DON POWERS AGENCY, INC.	1,583.00	COMMERCIAL PROPERTY INSURANCE COVERAGE
5450	R. W. ARMSTRONG	1,400.00	UTILITY RELOCATION EXPENSE
5460	ENVIRONMENTAL CLEAN-UP	10,980.00	DISPOSAL OF VARIOUS WASTE STREAMS ON COMMISSION OWNED PROPERTY
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		32,724.36	



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**\*\* M E M O R A N D U M \*\***

DATE: September 8, 1992  
TO: Daniel Gardner, Executive Director, LCRBDC  
John Hannon, P.E, Portage City Engineer  
FROM: Ronald E. Schults, P.E., Abonmarche *RES/JS*  
RE: Project Status  
LCRBDC/Portage Municipal Marina

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I. Pending Permit Applications

1. USCOE

Marina Permit

The Joint Public Notice expired on August 13th. Four comments from interested parties were received including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Save the Dunes Council, Lake Michigan Federation, and Lefty's Coho Marina. Dave Gesl identified today that he would forward copies of these letters so that we can react to the comments. Dave felt that all issues identified in these letters are minor in nature and should be easily addressed based upon available documents. Once these comments/issues are resolved, the USCOE will be able to make a decision on the permit. See memoranda dated August 14 and August 26 for additional details regarding the comments.

River Dredging

The river dredging permit application is still being reviewed relative to the updated boat traffic analysis which was forwarded by the City to the USCOE on August 7th. Dave did state that he would like to resolve the river dredging permit simultaneously with the processing of the marina application, given the fact that the marina application also contains a minor amount of river dredging.

2. IDNR

A state Public Notice was issued on August 19th which expires on September 18th. The state notice is for two permits, 1) a 100 foot wide access channel for the marina, and, 2) shore protection, boardwalks, and fishing platforms along Burns Waterway. We anticipate similar comments as received by the USCOE on the project.

These comments should be received shortly after the September 18th Public Notice closing period. To-date no major objections/concerns have been identified by the various divisions within the IDNR.

The U. S. Fish & Wildlife Division requested a copy of the Phase I Site Characterization report, which I will forward pending your concurrence.

3. **City of Portage Water Reclamation Board/IDEM**

On August 25th, a sanitary sewer impact analysis was sent to the Portage Water Reclamation Board. The impact analysis identified average annual and peak monthly sewage flows anticipated to be generated due to the project. The sanitary analysis will be reviewed on September 9th by the Portage Water Reclamation Board. If approved, this analysis will be forwarded to IDEM for their review and approval. IDEM's subsequent comments will be forwarded to the Indiana Division of Water and USCOE for their review in their permit application process.

4. **City of Portage Planning Commission/ILP Permit**

Site Plan review documents were submitted to the City of Portage on August 17, 1992. These documents were reviewed by city staff on August 26th. On September 8th, the City Planning Commission will review the project for consideration/approval. The proposed marina conforms to existing zoning. This approval is for review/approval of the Site Master Plan.

5. **City of Portage Board of Public Works**

In August, the Board of Public Works approved issuance of the Stage III Sand Mining permit to LCRBDC. The Board of Public Works also adopted the Abonmarche feasibility study.

6. **Porter County Drainage Board**

A Drainage Board review document was forwarded to the Porter County Drainage Board on June 18, 1992. The Drainage Board reviewed the project on July 13th. Final Board approval is anticipated by the September meeting.

7. **INDOT**

Grading/Side Sloping Permit

The INDOT-Valpariaso office will have a field representative on-site this week to review the grading permit application.



Driveway Permit

The INDOT-Valpariaso office Traffic Department reviewed the permit and found it acceptable. The application will be sent to the State office along with comments on the Grading Permit application for final review. A decision on both permits is anticipated in 4-6 weeks.

Fence Relocation

The Commission has been in contact with INDOT and is continuing to pursue fence relocation per new property boundary.

II. Other Project Matters

1. Sand Mining Agreement

Addendum No. 1

After approval of the Stage II and Stage III sand removal permit to LCRBDC by the city, an Addendum No. 1 has been prepared and forwarded to the City and Contractor for review. The Addendum addresses soil erosion issues, additional earth removal (in the Stage II areas), increased performance bond requirements, etc. A future addendum may be prepared after all utility lines have been relocated in Crisman Road to allow for Stage III excavation.

Sand Mining Status

Per conversation with Superior Construction today, the following schedule was identified:

Above grade sand removal completed	December, 1992
Begin below grade sand removal	March, 1993
Complete below grade sand removal	Summer, 1993

Unsuitable Material

During initial sand excavation, the contractor has identified some unsuitable soils containing silty clays and/or some organic materials. The current agreement does not require the contractor to remove these soils. The contractor has indicated a willingness to stockpile minor quantities of these soils (less than 500 cubic yards) on-site at the 5-acre parcel south of the NIPSCO right-of-way at no expense to the Commission, however, the Commission would have to clear and grub this area (at Commission expense). If quantities over 500 cubic yards of unsuitable material are encountered, the Contractor would like to re-evaluate his bid price at that time.

LCRBDC will receive bids on clearing and grubbing by September 14th, and hopefully award a contract shortly thereafter to avoid any delays in the current sand removal operations.

#### Below-Grade Dewatering Permit

The Contractor would like the Commission to pursue obtaining a dewatering permit later this year, for issuance (if possible) by March, 1993. A letter stating same will be sent to the Commission by Superior Construction shortly.

## 2. NIPSCO

The Mayor of the City of Portage, John Shephard, and John Hannon, City Engineer, met on September 3rd with Joe Turner and Randy Jacobs from NIPSCO to review the status of the project and discuss power line relocations. The synopsis of the meeting is an understanding of cooperation to work with the City on relocating utility lines. Additionally, there is some consideration being given to a no-cost relocation, or a sharing of costs, due to NIPSCO's interest in promoting economic development in northern Indiana.

NIPSCO's current design alternatives being considered for utility line relocation, including the following:

- Abandon the existing line and service Lefty's and the city sewer lift station from westerly lines.

This alternative <sup>may</sup> ~~would~~ eliminate the 3-phase service within the project site.

- Reroute the power line through the project over the easterly perimeter as earlier contemplated.

This relocation could include placement of the service within the proposed project roadways with appropriate easements to NIPSCO for accessing utilities with underground power in lieu of the overhead power lines. Underground power would be more desirable than overhead due to boat launching, etc.

At this point, NIPSCO will respond to the City shortly with comments on alternatives and cost of relocation.

## 3. Crisman Road Vacation

The first reading for a public hearing on the vacation was completed last month. The second reading for vacation is scheduled for the City Commission meeting in October. The issue of road vacation is still upheld pending outcome of NIPSCO discussions on cost and

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September 8, 1992

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timing for power line relocation. Before the final vacation is complete, it is anticipated that final negotiations on utility line relocation costs will also be completed.

4. **Grant Application**

The City of Portage forwarded a \$1.1 million Grant Application for various project elements on September 1st to the Indiana Outdoor Recreation Program.

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## R.W. ARMSTRONG

TRANSPORTATION, SITE DEVELOPMENT  
ENVIRONMENTAL, ARCHITECTURAL

September 9, 1992

Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission  
8149 Kennedy Avenue  
Highland, IN 46322

Re: Bid Tabulation and Recommendation  
Temporary Tie Back Levee for the Local  
Flood Protection Project, Wicker Park

Dear Commissioners:

Bids for the Temporary Tie Back Levee, Wicker Park were opened and read aloud on September 8, 1992 at noon at the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission office. The enclosed BID TABULATION shows all bids. The report and recommendation on those bids are as follows:

1. Low Bidder: Dyer Construction Company, Inc.  
1716 Sheffield Avenue  
Dyer, IN 46311

The bid included a Form 96, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Supplemental Bid Proposal Form and bid security in the form of a bid bond for 5% of the bid. The bid did not include Form 96-a however it did include Financial Statements as of October 31, 1991 and 1990, a list of Completed Contracts and Asset Listing Book Value. The total bid price was \$32,800.00 for the Preferred Alternative. No itemized breakdown of the Preferred Alternative Bid was included with the bid. No bid was submitted for the Base Bid. The bid was signed by the Vice President of Dyer Construction but without the Specification required resolution by the Board of Directors authorizing such official to sign the bid.

2. Second Low Bidder: Grimmer Construction, Inc.  
3651 Boulevard Drive  
Highland, IN 46322

The bid included a Form 96, Form 96-a, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Supplemental Bid Proposal Form and bid security in the form of a bid bond for 5% of the bid. The total bid price was \$59,600.00 for the Preferred Alternative and \$53,200.00 for the Base Bid.



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3. Third Low Bidder: Ellas Construction Company &  
Ellas Construction Company, Inc.  
8801 Lake Shore Drive  
Gary, IN 46403

The bid included a Form 96, Non-Collusion Affidavit, Supplemental Bid Proposal Form, and bid security in the form of a bid bond for 5% of the bid. The bid did not include Form 96-a, however it did include an Independent Auditor's Report as of December 31, 1991 and an Equipment List. The total bid price was \$69,900.00 for the Preferred Alternative. No bid was submitted for the Base Bid. The bid was signed by the Secretary of Ellas Construction, but without the Specification required resolution by the Board of Directors authorizing such official to sign the bid.

Although required by paragraph 11.7 of Instructions to Bidders, none of the bidders stated the number of consecutive calendar days required for completion of the work.

If the Commission, considering the advice of the Commission's attorney, determines that the informalities or irregularities with Dyers Construction's bid are not of consequence and can be waived, then we recommend that the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission award a contract to Dyer Construction Company, Inc. who would then be the lowest qualified bidder.

Very truly yours,

R. W. ARMSTRONG & ASSOCIATES, INC.



James J. Flora, Jr., P.E.  
Vice President

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Dan Gardner  
Mr. Lou Casale



**BID TABULATION**  
**LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**  
**TEMPORARY TIE BACK LEVEE**  
**FOR LOCAL FLOOD PROTECTION**  
**WICKER PARK**

Dyer Construction Co., Inc.  
 1716 Sheffield Avenue  
 Dyer, IN 46311

Grimmer Construction, Inc.  
 3651 Boulevard Drive  
 Highland, IN 46322

Ellas Construction Company &  
 Ellas Construction Company, Inc.  
 8801 Lake Shore Drive  
 Gary, IN 46403

Item	Description	Quantity	U/M	Lump Sum Price	Lump Sum Price	Lump Sum Price
<b>PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE BID</b>						
1	Clearing and Grubbing	LS	JOB	NA	\$11,000.00	\$ 9,100.00
2	Dike	LS	JOB	NA	45,000.00	57,800.00
3	Fertilize, Seed & Mulch	LS	JOB	NA	3,600.00	3,000.00
<b>TOTAL - PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE BID</b>				<b>\$32,800</b>	<b>\$59,600.00</b>	<b>\$69,900.00</b>
<b>BASE BID</b>						
1	Clearing and Grubbing	LS	JOB	NO BID	1,400.00	NO BID
2	Sheet Piling	LS	JOB	NO BID	50,000.00	NO BID
3	Fertilize, Seed & Mulch	LS	JOB	NO BID	1,800.00	NO BID
<b>TOTAL - BASE BID</b>				<b>NO BID</b>	<b>\$53,200.00</b>	<b>NO BID</b>
Form 96				YES	YES	YES
Supplemental Bid Proposal Form				YES	YES	YES
Form 96-a				NO*	YES	NO*
Non Collusion Affidavit				YES	YES	YES
Bid Bond				*5%	5%	5%

\*Submitted other information, see letter.

Prepared by:  
 R. W. ARMSTRONG & ASSOCIATES, INC.  
 September 9, 1992



