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✓ CHARLES AGNEW
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MEETING NOTICE

**THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AT 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2000
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, IN**

WORK STUDY SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order by Chairman Emerson Delaney
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Visitors and Guests
4. Approval of Minutes of November 8, 2000
5. Chairman's Report
 - Project viewing tour held on 11/18/00

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Emerson Delaney
Sandy O'B
Johnny
Mark L.
Emerson Delaney
John Flora

6. Executive Director's Report
 - Project Wetland Mitigation Permit – Land suitability matrix
 - > IDNR letter of comment received 11/16/00
 - Neighborhood meeting/Highland levee held on 11/14/00
 - > Times article
7. Standing Committees
 - A. Land Acquisition/Management Committee – Chuck Agnew, Chairman
 - Appraisals, offers, acquisitions, recommended actions
 - COE Real Estate meetings held 11/14/00 and 12/5/00
 - Other issues
 - B. Project Engineering Committee – Bob Huffman, Chairman
 - Utilities meetings for Stage V-2 held on 11/16/00
 - Pump station 1A pre-construction meeting held on 11/27/00
 - Pre bid meeting on North 5th St. Pump Station to be held on 12/20/00
 - Other issues
 - C. Legislative Committee – George Carlson, Chairman
 - Status of Legislative contacts – commitments for State budget
 - Next Steps; Other Issues
 - D. Recreational Development Committee – Curtis Vosti, Chairman
 - Times article
 - Other Issues
 - E. Marina Development Committee – Bill Tanke, Chairman
 - Report on siltation of Portage Burns Waterway
 - Other issues
 - F. Finance/Policy Committee – Arlene Colvin, Chairperson
 - Financial status report
 - Approval of claims for November 2000
 - Finance Committee meeting report
 - > Recommendations
 - > Contracts
 - > NIRPC 2001 contract
 - > Commission 2001 Operating budget
 - Letter from NAFSMA
 - Other issues
 - G. Minority Contracting Committee – Marion Williams, Chairman
 - Update
8. Other Business
9. Statements to the Board from the Floor
10. Set date for next meeting

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**MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
HELD AT 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2000
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, INDIANA**

Chairman Emerson Delaney called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Seven (7) Commissioners were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Quorum was declared and guests were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

John Mroczkowski
Charles Agnew
Emerson Delaney
William Tanke
Curt Vosti
Bob Huffman
Mark Reshkin

Visitors:

Don Ewoldt – Lake Erie Land Company
Sandy O'Brien - Sierra Club
Denis Buksa - Munster
Jim Flora - R.W. Armstrong Company

Staff

Dan Gardner
Sandy Mordus
Lou Casale
Jim Pokrajac
Judy Vamos

Commissioner Curt Vosti made a motion to approve the minutes of October 5, 2000; motion seconded by Chuck Agnew; motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report – Chairman Delaney introduced Dr. Mark Reshkin, a new Board member recently appointed by the Governor for a 4-year term. He also announced the re-appointments by the Governor of John Mroczkowski, Chuck Agnew and himself.

Chairman Delaney then proceeded to appoint a Nominating Committee. He appointed Arlene Colvin, Chuck Agnew and Curt Vosti.

Committee sheets were distributed for Board members to make their committee selections for the year 2001.

Executive Director's Report - Mr. Gardner updated the Board members with the project wetland mitigation report. He indicated that he had hoped to share a matrix that the Corps is putting together on the candidate mitigation lands but it was not available yet. In order to secure a DNR permit, a mitigation plan must be in place. A "team" had been put together to meet and discuss how the approach would be handled in determining the mitigation lands. The "team" consists of IDEM, IDNR, FISH & WILDLIFE, and the COE. They looked at

lands at the end of September. Lands being considered are the lands under Lake Erie Land Company's lease, the 179 acres the Commission owns, and the Hobart Marsh lands. The matrix being developed will compare different site characteristics of the lands and attempt to determine suitability of those lands for restoration and enhancement. It was suppose to be available for tonight's meeting but, after talking to the COE today, it had not been reviewed yet. We are hopeful that something will be coming in the very near future. Mr. Gardner answered questions regarding the matrix.

Mr. Gardner announced that a public meeting for the affected residents in the levee line in Highland (Stage V-2 & Stage VI) will be held at 6:30 p.m. on November 14th. Commissioners are invited. There will be additional meetings at a later day in Hammond and Munster.

Land Acquisition/Management Committee – Committee Chairman Chuck Agnew announced that there were no condemnations this month but proceeded to make a motion to approve two increased offers (DC707 - \$147,000 and DC816 - \$39,000); motion seconded by Bill Tanke; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Agnew also informed the Board that the appraiser, John Snell, toured Wicker Park Golf Course on 10/31 before beginning the appraisal on the golf course. His fee will be about \$15,000 and has requested 50% of that amount up front of appraisal. He will perform a self-contained full narrative appraisal with a turnaround time of 60 days.

Mr. Agnew reported that Greg Moore from the COE met with staff on 10/31 to discuss project mitigation. Mr. Gardner had attended a meeting today with the Northwest Indiana River Corridor Partnership (formerly known as the Great Konomick River Restoration Project). He stated that J. F. New is doing a master plan map for the Little Calumet River and the Grand Cal to identify publicly owned lands, trail opportunities, some tributaries to enhance the restoration area. Mr. Vosti added that it is good that the Grand Cal is also being included.

A new appraisal process will be pursued in the west reach area (Cline Avenue to Stateline) which we are hoping will work out. Appraiser Dale Klescynski will oversee the appraisal process. Appraisals will be assigned up front to several appraisers and he will do the review on the appraisals. The COE's chief appraiser thinks this will quicken the process and should not be quite as costly.

Conservation Design Forum, the firm doing the in-house mitigation design for the COE, held a presentation in our offices on October 18th.

Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman gave the engineering report. He reported that a utilities meeting is scheduled for Stage V Phase 2 on November 16th in our office. A technical review meeting was held in Chicago on November 1st to review ongoing and new engineering issues and concerns. He also reported that we received a response from the lake County Surveyors office on November 6th addressing the COE's concerns regarding the use of the clay from Hartsdale Pond as a borrow site. Mr. Gardner stated that Hartsdale Pond will be the borrow site for the first several west reach levee segments. Commissioner Reshkin asked how much sheet piling would be used in the west reach and whether it would have an impact to

adjacent property owners. Jim Pokrajac answered that this was one of the issues at the COE technical review meeting. We've requested the COE's engineering analysis on stress points of the sheet piling construction.

Mr. Huffman stated an INDOT Highway expansion scoping meeting was scheduled for November 29th. Staff will attend the meeting to see how INDOT projects will affect our levee construction needs. Commissioner Vosti again expressed a concern about a drainage/environmental problem from the additional third lane on the Borman into the Carlson-OxBow park area. A coordination meeting was held by the city of Gary on October 11th with GSD, WREP, COE and the LCRBDC for the Grant Street drainage and improvement project. Commissioner Huffman expressed a concern about the trail system connection at Grant Street.

Legislative Committee – In Committee Chairman George Carlson's absence, Mr. Gardner gave the report. He referred to the resolution in the agenda packet that declares a funding crisis. He further stated that he has spoken several times with Pete Manous. Now that the election is over, we need to start campaigning again for support for our budget request. Mr. Gardner has shared a draft letter with Representative Chet Dobis to use as he sees fit. He has also met with and talked to Earl Harris, Vice Chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee. Representative Harris stated that he would talk to Representative Pat Bauer. Mr. Gardner also has talked to Senators Sue Landske and Bill Alexa. A Legislative Committee meeting will be scheduled shortly. Board member Curt Vosti inquired if we were planning to meet with the Editorial boards of the newspapers. Dan will follow up to get a time scheduled with the newspapers. Mr. Gardner also reported that the Federal Energy & Water bill has passed and there is \$8.8 million earmarked for the Little Cal.

Recreational Development Committee – Committee Chairman Curt Vosti stated that we received a letter from INDOT on Oct. 18th indicating they had no concerns regarding the Broadway trail crossing as long as we coordinate with the locals. They did indicate that a right-of-way permit with them would be required. Mr. Vosti then referred to a letter we sent to the COE listing recreational concerns and requesting a meeting. Jim Pokrajac informed the Board that a meeting date of November 17th was scheduled at 1:30 at the Hammond Park office. Mr. Vosti invited any Board members that would be interested.

Marina Committee – Committee Chairman Bill Tanke reported that we have received a funding report regarding the marina operation. It appears that, at the end of September, the balance, after disbursement of expenses, is \$85,051.16. He also reported that Bank One is releasing the sand money to us. We will now invest it at a higher interest rate. The Portage Port Authority is also considering raising the public launch fees to \$5 from \$3. This money goes into their operations account. Mr. Tanke also informed the Board that the LMMDC requested a hearing before the Ways & Means Committee but were denied. (they have requested \$1.5 million to build out the marina with the remaining slips).

Finance Committee – In Committee Chairperson Arlene Colvin's absence, Mr. Gardner gave the finance report. He referred to the monthly financial status sheet and claims in the amount of \$193,934.21. Chuck Agnew made a motion to approve the financial status sheet and the October claims less the Ameritech claim for

\$17,070.92 (work has been determined that is not needed); motion seconded by Curt Vosti; motion passed unanimously. Mr. Gardner stated that a Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled very shortly.

Minority Contracting Committee – There will be a report at the next meeting.

Other Business – Chairman Emerson Delaney reminded the Nominating Committee to meet and be able to give their report at the next meeting. The new officers will take over at the January meeting.

Mr. Gardner referred to the article regarding Thornton quarry acting as a floodwater storage entity by November 2002. Dr. Reshkin stated he is surprised that it would be used as a retention area because it would be very porous and probably not very suitable.

Mr. Gardner stated that he would try to arrange a tour of the properties and levee construction for Saturday, November 18th. Commissioners will be notified.

Statements to the Board – There were none.

There being no further business, the next regular Commission meeting was scheduled for **5:00 p .m. for a Work Study session and 6:00 for the regular Board meeting on Wednesday, December 13, 2000. Please note that this date is a change from the first Thursday of the month.**

/sjm



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November 16, 2000

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And

Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission
Dan Gardner, Executive Director
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Re: Conceptual Mitigation Plan
Little Calumet River

Dear Gentlemen:

This letter is a follow up to the field meeting of September 27 and 28 regarding potential sites for the habitat mitigation plan for the Little Calumet River Flood Control and Recreation Project. DNR representatives at the meeting included John Bacone, Director, Division of Nature Preserves and Bill Maudlin, Environmental Supervisor, Division of Fish and Wildlife.

As requested by the COE and the LCRBDC, enclosed is a copy of DNR's list of recommended criteria to be used in determining the suitability of the potential sites being evaluated for inclusion in the final habitat mitigation plan.

It is our understanding that the COE will complete a more detailed matrix for each tract under review. For consideration during this evaluation, we have enclosed a completed *draft* matrix for each comprehensive proposal, one (1) for Lake Erie Land sites and one (1) for Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund sites.

Based on the field investigation and the evaluation of the attached criteria, it appears that the sites in the Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund proposal are best suited to quality, wet forest habitat to meet DNR requirements.

As you are already aware, DNR requirements for habitat mitigation may differ from IDEM requirements. Please contact IDEM directly to verify their requirements for this project.

I hope our participation at the field meeting and our follow-up information is helpful. We are anxious to receive the final mitigation plan for review and approval.



Letter to COE and LCRBDC
November 16, 2000
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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jomary Crary at the Division of Water at 317-232-4160 or toll free at 877-928-3755 (1-877-WATER55).

Sincerely,



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Deputy Director

PJE/MWN/JC

pc: Greg Moore, COE
Imad Samara, COE
Steve Davis, LCRBDC Commissioner/DNR
Bill Maudlin, DNR - Division of Fish and Wildlife
John Bacone, DNR - Division of Nature Preserves
Marty Maupin, IDEM

Enclosure

Little Calumet River Mitigation Site Proposals
Evaluation Criteria

CRITERIA	FORESTED WETLAND	GRAMINOID WETLAND
Hydrology suitability?	Yes/No	Yes/No
Pre-settlement vegetation	Type	
Soils – capable of supporting forested wetland?	Yes/No	
Soils – capable of supporting graminoid habitat types?	Yes/No	
Overall capability?	Yes/No	Yes/No
Proximity to other quality habitats?	Yes/No	
Diversity of other habitat types?	Yes/No	
Adjacent to seed bank?	Yes/No	Yes/No
Adjacent to natural areas?	Yes/No	
Presence of invasive and exotic vegetation?	Yes/No	
Ecological stability?	Yes/No	Yes/No
Adequate amount of land for total requirements?	Yes/No	Yes/No
Cost of land	\$	\$
Cost of perpetual maintenance	\$	\$
Meets DNR requirements?	Yes/No	Yes/No
Meets IDEM requirements?	Yes/No	
Enhancement opportunities?	Yes/No	

Little Calumet River Mitigation Site Proposals Evaluation Criteria

DRAFT Lake Erie Land Sites:

CRITERIA	FORESTED WETLAND	GRAMINOID WETLAND
Hydrology suitability?	No	Yes
Pre-settlement vegetation	Shallow Lake	
Soils – capable of supporting forested wetland?	No	
Soils – capable of supporting graminoid habitat types?	Yes	
Overall capability?	No	Yes
Proximity to other quality habitats?	No	
Diversity of other habitat types?	No	
Adjacent to seed bank?	No	Yes
Adjacent to natural areas?	No	
Presence of invasive and exotic vegetation?	Some	
Ecological stability?	No	Yes
Adequate amount of land for total requirements?	No	Yes
Cost of land	\$	\$
Cost of perpetual maintenance	\$Expensive	\$Minimal
Meets DNR requirements?	No	N/A
Meets IDEM requirements?	Yes	
Enhancement opportunities?	No	

Little Calumet River Mitigation Site Proposals Evaluation Criteria

DRAFT Shirley Heinze Environmental Fund Sites:

CRITERIA	FORESTED WETLAND	GRAMINOID WETLAND
Hydrology suitability?	Yes	Yes
Pre-settlement vegetation	Forested wetlands and mixture	
Soils – capable of supporting forested wetland?	Yes	
Soils – capable of supporting graminoid habitat types?	Some	
Overall capability?	Yes	Some
Proximity to other quality habitats?	Yes	
Diversity of other habitat types?	Yes	
Adjacent to seed bank?	Yes	Yes
Adjacent to natural areas?	Yes	
Presence of invasive and exotic vegetation?	Minimal	
Ecological stability?	Yes	Some
Adequate amount of land for total requirements?	No	
Cost of land	\$	\$
Cost of perpetual maintenance	\$Minimized	\$Minimized
Meets DNR requirements?	Yes	
Meets IDEM requirements?	Yes-partial	
Enhancement opportunities?	Yes	

Residents learn about higher flood levee plans

■ Officials say move would eliminate need for flood insurance, improve property values.

BY CHARLES F. HABER
Times Correspondent

HIGHLAND - In the next few years, residents along the Little Calumet River might gain a better flood levee and lose their need for flood insurance.

Representatives of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission visited the town last week to explain the project to a packed audience in the municipal building. Most were residents on the north side of North Drive, where the river and existing levee meander along their back yards.

"Of the 66 homes, nobody's going to be relocated," Executive Director Dan Gardner said.

The project involves adding 2 to 4 feet to the existing levee, Gardner said. When this is accomplished, it will protect the area from the devastating kind of flood that only happens every 200 years. This will eliminate the existing floodplain, spare residents from the expense of flood insurance and improve their property values, he said.

"This is only the first meeting," Gardner said.

Others will follow to keep the residents informed of the progress, with the next one probably within the next six weeks, he said.

"We hope to start construction in this area in about a year to 18 months," he said.

The commission is the local entity that serves as a liaison between the residents and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which is sponsoring the project.

"We're working through most of the city of Gary" and the revamped levee now extends almost to Cline Avenue, Gardner said.

The larger levee will require greater width, which necessitates the acquisition of permanent land easements from the residents, Gardner said. Temporary easements also will be needed to allow room for construction equipment and materials, he said.

People are appraising the land in residents' back yards that is needed for the project, and residents will be offered fair market value, Gardner said.

The project does not seek to disrupt homeowners, Gardner said. In cases where the levee is very close to the usable back yards, a floodwall decorated with flagstone facing will be used to add aesthetics to the function, he noted.

The levee is well behind the usable back yard of resident Jerald Benner, so it will not dramatically affect his property, but he expressed concern that it might channel

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Levees

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problems into other areas.

"If they build it up here, it's going to go over there," he said, pointing toward Wicker Memorial Park. He said the project needs to be coordinated with the city of Hammond.

While Cary Toth's property will not be physically affected by the project, it still will have a temporary effect on his plans.

Toth's plans for a fence in his back yard have been put on hold until the work is done.

He also expressed concern that the levee might have an effect on his privacy.

"They're going to put a bike path on top," he said.

It will be an uneasy feeling to know that people will be walking, riding and peering down into his yard or house, he said. Crime also could be an issue, he said, noting that someone recently came down from the levee

and broke into his garage.

Another side effect will be the numerous shade trees dotting the way along the levee will be lost, Toth said. "They will be cutting everything down."

The project starts at I-65 in Gary and will extend 10 miles to the Illinois state line, Gardner said. The improved levee will be built along both sides of the river with the overall cost estimated at \$161 million. The Corps will pay 75 percent while the state, through the commission, pays the balance.

In that light, the commission is asking the 2001 Indiana General Assembly for \$12 million to put the project in the fast channel, he said.

"The federal construction of the project began in December 1990," Gardner said.

The overall project consists of 29 construction contracts, and the work is expected to be completed in 2006, he said.

Lawmakers prepare for 2001 session

Area legislators should retain powerful chairmanships.

By STEVE WALSH
Staff Writer

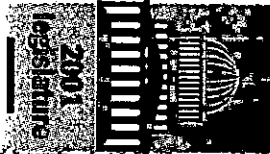
Lawmakers are predicting few surprises Tuesday when they begin their 2001 session.

That's good news for many of Northwest Indiana's lawmakers. With Democrats clinging to a three-seat majority in the House, local lawmakers are likely to hang onto some powerful positions in the General Assembly.

"We have a lot of people in leadership positions," said Rep. Chet Dobis, D-Merrillville. "I say, good for us."

Dobis is speaker pro tem of the House. As lawmakers get ready to go into their reorganization day on Tuesday, he and three other local lawmakers are chairmen of House committees.

The area's cloud drops off dramatically in the Senate, where Republicans



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Assembly

Tuesday is organization day for lawmakers

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added a seat to their already large majority.

Sen. Sue Landske, R-Cedar Lake, is the lone standout.

One of the largest issues of the upcoming session is redrawing the legislative maps. Landske will play a role as chairwoman of the Senate Election Committee.

For the rest of the Senate delegation, it will be a familiar struggle.

"We certainly hated to lose ground, but in terms of getting anything accomplished, I have to think we are in no worse shape," said Sen. Earline Rogers, D-Gary.

Neither side is expected to get much work done Tuesday.

Last year, lawmakers stayed in town for most of the week and

passed legislation.

This year, they aren't expected to even review the bills vetoed by Gov. Frank O'Bannon at the end of this session.

"It's largely a ceremonial day. We will make committee assignments in the morning," Speaker of the House John Gregg said.

He is considering only one bill for an override vote.

The bill would lower the tax on insurance premiums from 2 percent to 1.3 percent, bringing it in line with surrounding states.

The governor has hinted he would not stand in the way of an override. Even that vote is unlikely, Gregg said.

Neither chamber appears interested in getting an early start on the weighty issues each will face in January.

Lawmakers will leave town Tuesday.

The following day, O'Bannon's administration is expected to release its plan for a new property tax manual. Tax Court Judge Thomas Fisher has ordered a new manual be in place by June, and

the state Tax Board is trying to stick to the tight time frame.

Lawmakers will have to decide if they want to protect homeowners from the fallout, which will show up on bills in 2003.

The governor's office already is beginning to urge fiscal caution.

The annual bipartisan revenue forecast is due in mid-December, but money coming into the state has slowed this year.

A cut in personal property taxes has turned out to be \$200 million more expensive than predicted.

Revenues were rising at 5.5 percent in 1999, while so far this year, they have risen a more modest 2.9 percent, said Cheryl Reed, spokeswoman for O'Bannon.

"We've been spending an awful lot of money on tax cuts and new programs in the last couple of years," Dobis said. "We're going to find out how good a manager we are over the next two years."

He estimated there is an extra \$200 million for new spending or tax cuts.

O'Bannon's 1999 proposal for all-day kindergarten would cost \$111

million alone.

Other than Dobis, the other chairmen include Rep. Bob Kuzman, D-Crown Point, head of public policy and veterans affairs and Rep. Dan Stevenson, D-Hammond, chairman of the local government committee.

Rep. Charlie Brown, D-Gary, chairs the Public Health Committee. Last year, he put together the framework for spending the state's share of the national tobacco settlement.

With the retirement of Jesse Vilalpando, someone from outside the area will likely be running the House Judiciary Committee.

Northwest Indiana has two members of the House Ways and Means Committee. Rep. Earl Harris, D-Gary, is vice chairman. Rep. Ralph Ayres, R-Chesterton, is a minority member.

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Monday 11-20-00

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LOCAL REPORT

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2000

THE TIMES

Hammond eyes bike path expansion

BY SHARON PORTA
Times Correspondent

HAMMOND — The public meetings are complete, a wish list has been compiled, and now Hammond is awaiting word on whether it will receive the funds necessary to expand its bike trail system.

NIRPC has \$3 million available to Hammond, with a local match that requires \$750,000. That grant has been applied for, with news of the award expected in 2001. The money will go toward tying Hammond's trails together for a longer segment, particularly using north-south connections.

"This is a concept plan, not de-

sign criteria," said parks administrator Curtis Vosti. "We will then go forward with specifics if we receive the grant."

Three public meetings were conducted this summer to receive input about a citywide bike trail system. Hammond has four trails: the George Lake trail, the Erie Lakawanna, the Oxbow Park trail and the Grand Calumet trail. These are small parts of what could be a comprehensive system that would eventually allow Hammond to tie into trails in South Chicago.

Throughout the hearing process, those attending requested such items as better signs, maintenance of overgrowth, mile

markers, emergency patrol boxes, water fountains, trash cans and benches. There will be three additional meetings in the spring of 2001 to discuss the comments received this summer.

"Safety has always been a big concern," Vosti said. "Hammond has regular police patrols not offered in other communities."

Plans call for Hammond to tie into bike trails in other cities, including Gary, East Chicago and the Highland path. These bike trails will be done in phases, with construction continuing through 2006. Hammond now has approximately 4.5 miles in bike trails.

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Bike

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The master plan calls for almost 20 miles.

"Right now, we're working on extending the Erie Lakawanna trail into Highland, and the link between Wolf Lake and Forsythe Park," said Stanley Dostatni, city engineer. "Eventually, we would like to connect all the parks in Hammond, and then connect the city into a master plan for this area."

A public hearing will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 29 at the Hammond Civic Center to address the design criteria for the Wolf Lake and Forsythe connection.

"Through this plan, Hammond could have a bike trail system that is second to none for a community of our size," Vosti said.

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 1, 2000 - OCTOBER 31, 2000

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2000

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	244,197.40	
GENERAL FUND	143,144.40	
TAX FUND	0.00	
INVESTMENTS	1,188,076.15	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	11,729.84	
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RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2000 - OCTOBER 31, 2000

LEASE RENTS	35,754.66	
INTEREST INCOME	79,221.25	
LAND ACQUISITION	2,375,539.45	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	9,405.33	
MISC. INCOME	5,554.65	
KRBC REIMBURSEMENT RE: TELEPHONE CHARGE	1,608.49	
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS	200,150.38	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		2,707,234.21

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2000 - OCTOBER 31, 2000

ADMINISTRATIVE		
1999 EXPENSES PAID IN 2000	88,437.89	
PER DIEM	8,850.00	
LEGAL SERVICES	6,161.30	
NIRPC	95,707.64	
TRAVEL & MILEAGE	5,913.02	
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	1,013.09	
BONDS & INSURANCE	5,802.63	
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	8,698.22	
MEETING EXPENSE	8,521.48	
LAND ACQUISITION		
LEGAL SERVICES	55,749.22	
APPRAISAL SERVICES	52,450.00	
ENGINEERING SERVICES	84,765.02	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	10,346.02	
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENANCE SERVICES	34,531.44	
OPERATIONS SERVICES	0.00	
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES	145,198.09	
SURVEYING SERVICES	89,776.59	
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES	1,400.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS	231,882.35	
MOVING ALLOCATION	65,158.64	
TAXES	5,984.21	
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	0.00	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSURANCE	21,546.00	
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	31,752.69	
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	30,049.80	
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	24,232.58	
BANK ONE (PURCHASED CERTIFICATE)	1,500,000.00	
BANK CALUMET(PURCHASE CERTIFICATE W/LEL FUNDS)	90,056.60	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<hr/>	2,615,546.63

CASH POSITION - OCTOBER 31, 2000

CHECKING ACCOUNT		
LAND ACQUISITION	365,002.60	
GENERAL FUND	69,485.45	
TAX FUND		

INVESTMENTS

BANK CALUMET	316,000.00	10/30/2001
BANK CALUMET	700,000.00	10/30/2001
BANK ONE	105,116.15	10/04/2001
BANK CALUMET	92,831.76	01/02/2001
BANK ONE	12,258.90	01/01/2001
BANK ONE	122,190.00	MONEY MARKET
BANK ONE	1,500,055.00	MONEY MARKET

TOTAL INVESTMENTS	2,848,451.81	
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	21,135.17	
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LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT, NOVEMBER 2000

	2000	6 MONTH						UNALLOCATED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	ALLOCATED BUDGETED
							TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	11,000.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,450.00	7,450.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	283.33	283.33	579.33	379.33	475.33	395.33	6,104.02
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	116,000.00	18,062.13	8,874.12	8,782.12	8,347.14	9,851.88	8,411.83	53,670.78
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	23,000.00	39.90	16.24	27.72	8.96	34.86	311.92	22,560.40
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	0.00	62.58	0.00	55.11	0.00	506.17	4,376.14
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	160.00	5,642.63	0.00	1,697.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	438.76	216.26	1,827.68	611.31	433.27	416.01	3,056.71
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	13,000.00	729.60	132.20	0.00	0.00	542.31	435.04	11,160.85
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	5,866.80	5,266.54	8,499.50	5,901.48	5,417.60	3,699.54	90,348.54
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	28,441.52	28,955.95	31,571.03	35,876.29	42,961.89	21,626.57	310,566.75
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	807,630.00	147,954.58	66.74	102,565.17	3,015.96	11,537.00	640.00	541,850.55
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	464.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,107.00	4,429.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	200,000.00	557.50	0.00	472.50	775.00	3,446.45	12,018.44	182,730.11
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	248,000.00	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	247,450.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	27,000.00	0.00	2,995.83	0.00	14,334.00	713.75	969.00	7,987.42
	2,123,630.00	203,488.12	46,869.79	154,325.05	69,464.58	81,056.97	72,986.85	1,495,438.64

	2000	12 MONTH						UNALLOCATED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	ALLOCATED BUDGETED
							TOTAL	BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	11,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	5,650.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	8,500.00	715.33	739.33	1,283.33	1,083.33	419.33	0.00	1,863.37
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	116,000.00	8,249.52	8,493.73	8,173.33	13,330.19	8,940.81	0.00	6,483.20
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	23,000.00	0.00	10.36	4,407.36	10,041.53	794.08	0.00	7,307.07
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	431.77	2,269.88	0.00	0.00	1,674.49
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,697.37
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	7,000.00	490.28	595.07	487.88	367.00	361.27	0.00	755.21
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	13,000.00	0.00	140.50	5,188.65	1,211.41	167.88	0.00	4,452.41
5838 LEGAL SERVICES	125,000.00	3,100.00	7,162.00	4,251.08	9,439.04	5,197.30	0.00	61,199.12
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	500,000.00	66,385.15	28,199.16	35,713.62	50,374.27	67,841.75	0.00	62,052.80
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	807,630.00	68,801.26	7,117.68	917.58	74,133.64	781.00	0.00	390,099.39
5881 PROPERTY/STRUCTURE INS.	25,000.00	297.00	0.00	0.00	678.00	0.00	0.00	3,454.00
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	200,000.00	3,965.00	1,080.00	4,522.50	29,205.92	32,535.00	0.00	111,421.69
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.	248,000.00	6,590.00	6,100.00	15,252.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	219,508.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.	27,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,720.00	0.00	1,900.00	0.00	367.42
	2,123,630.00	158,593.54	59,637.83	86,349.10	193,934.21	118,938.42	0.00	877,985.54

CLAIMS PAYABLE FOR NOVEMBER 2000

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5811	LOUIS CASALE	283.33	RETAINER FEE BILLED FOR NOVEMBER 2000
5811	LOUIS CASALE	136.00	ADDITIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER 2000
5812	NIRPC	8,928.66	SERVICES PERFORMED OCTOBER 2000
5812	UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	12.15	OVERNIGHT MAIL SERVICE
5821	ARLENE COLVIN	10.00	REIMBURSEMENT FOR TAXI AT NAFSMA CONFERENCE 10/23-10/25 IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA
5821	THORNTON'S GAS STATION	17.91	COST OF FILL-UP FOR TOUR OF COMMISSION PROPERTIES
5821	NAFSMA	400.00	COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2001
5821	A G CORP	114.85	RENTAL VEHICLE FOR TOUR OF COMMISSION PROPERTIES
5821	JIM POKRAJAC	15.00	TOLLS & PARKING INCURRED 12/5/00 RE: CHICAGO MEETING
5821	SANDY MORDUS	16.24	MILEAGE 11/10/00-12/4/00
5821	DAN GARDNER	220.08	MILEAGE 11/1/00-11/22/00
5824	VERIZON	112.96	BILLING PERIOD 11/16/00-12/16/00 TOTAL BILL 234.03 KRBC 121.07
5824	MCI	242.36	BILLING PERIOD 10/15/00-11/14/00 TOTAL BILL 264.36 KRBC 22.00
5824	SAND RIDGE BANK	5.95	TELEPHONE CHARGES AT NAFSMA CONFERENCE IN SAN DIEGO
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	51.65	MEETING EXPENSES INCURRED 11/18 AS RESULT OF VAN TOUR OF COMMISSION PROPERTIES
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	55.78	MEETING EXPENSES RE: VAN TOUR OF COMMISSION PROPERTIES
5825	SAND RIDGE BANK	60.45	MEETING EXPENSES INCURRED W/DISCUSSIONS AT NAFSMA CONF 10/24/00 IN SAN DIEGO RE: BRINGING CONFERENCE TO CHICAGO
5838	LOUIS CASALE	5,197.30	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES 11/1/00-12/5/00
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	3,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-1199 & DC-1198
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	3,000.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-69-A
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-600
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	3,000.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-1112 & DC-1113
5841	ASSOCIATED PROPERTY COUNSELORS	3,000.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-1169
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	350.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-70-A
5841	MARTINEZ, SHARMAT & ASSOCIATES	2,500.00	APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR DC-575-A
5841	SNELL	7,500.00	1/2 COST OF APPRAISAL SERVICES ON DC-1198
5842	R. W. ARMSTRONG	3,949.05	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDING 11/10/00
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	75.00	REVISED TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-816
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	75.00	REVISED TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-796
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	75.00	REVISED TITLE WORK PREFOREMD FOR DC-615
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1165
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1166
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1120
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1119
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1122
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1121
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1123
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	360.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1124
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	360.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1125
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	360.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1126
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1138
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	275.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1118
5843	MERIDIAN TITLE CORPORATION	75.00	TITLE UPDATE BEFORE CLOSING FOR DC-707
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1131
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1160
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1168
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	345.00	TITLE WORK PREFORMED FOR DC-1139
5843	TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY	150.00	FINAL TITLE WORK FOR DC-508
5843	LAKE COUNTY RECORDERS OFFICE	52.00	RECORDING FEES FOR BURR ST IMPROVEMENT PROJECT & DC-377
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	4,242.00	LAND MANAGEMENT/ENG SERVICES 11/1/00-11/15/00
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	3,696.00	ENGINEERING/LAND MANAGEMENT 11/16/00-11/30/00
5844	JAMES POKRAJAC	188.44	NOVEMBER MILEAGE
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,970.00	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 11/1/00-11/15/00
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	2,070.00	LAND ACQUISITION/MANAGEMENT SERVICES 11/16/00-11/30/00
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	10.36	NOVEMBER MILEAGE
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	675.00	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 10/18/00-10/31/00
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	697.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 11/1/00-11/15/00
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	697.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 11/16/00-11/30/00

CLAIMS PAYABLE FOR OCTOBER 2000

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ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5844	SANDY MORDUS	330.75	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 11/1/00-11/15/00
5844	SANDY MORDUS	465.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 11/18/00-11/30/00
5845	SOUTH SHORE MARINA	1,250.00	REMOVAL OF HANDRAILS FROM BREAKWATER & STORAGE
5845	SUPERIOR SIGN COMPANY	900.00	PURCHASE OF SIGNS FOR PROJECT CONSTRUCTION
5847	DLZ	235.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	179.90	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	1,492.97	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	170.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	787.50	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	3,999.97	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SII-3B
5847	DLZ	2,628.27	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	1,015.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SVI-1
5847	DLZ	360.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	2,419.04	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5847	DLZ	1,625.00	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR SV-2
5861	STAR SHOPPING NEWS	81.00	SUMMONS & NOTICE FOR DC-526
5861	JAMES T. BUSH	700.00	EASEMENT ACQUISITION FOR DC-615
5882	TOWN OF MUNSTER	19,535.00	COST INCURRED FOR RELOCATION OF MUNSTER'S WATER METER VAULT.
5882	HISPANIC BROADCASTING CORP	13,000.00	ADDITIONAL COSTS INCURRED REGARDING WIND UTILITY RELOCATION
5884	ILLIAN FENCE INC	1,900.00	COST OF FENCING AT DC-449

TOTAL 118,938.42



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November 20, 2000

Dan Gardner
Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission
6100 Southport Rd.
Portage, IN 46368

Dear Dan,

Enclosed is your agency's invoice for NAFSMA annual dues for the membership year beginning January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001. We value your membership and your participation in the organization.

We urge you to process your dues payment in a timely manner and to provide your current e-mail address to the national office and to name as many as three extra members from your agency who you would like to have included in our mailing and e-mail databases. A separate form is provided for you to update your contact information and to provide information on your designated extra agency members. We have also included a NAFSMA membership brochure with this mailing and urge you to share the information with colleagues from other water resource agencies.

Please mail or fax this form to the national office at 202-842-0621 as soon as possible.

We look forward to working with in the upcoming year. Please feel free to call me in the national office at 202-218-4133 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Susan Gilson
Executive Director

Enclosures

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ATTENDANCE ROSTER

NAME OF MEETING: LCCBDC DATE: 12-13-00

LOCATION: _____ CHAIRMAN: Emerson Delaney

PLEASE SIGN IN

	NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	ORGANIZATION, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER
1	MARK LOPEZ	Pete Viscione 215 West 35th Ave / Gena 1/6408
2	Don Ewartz	LEL
3	Sandy O'Brien	Sigma Club
4	Juanita Crang	DNR
5	JIM FLORA	R.W. ARMSTRONG
6	Debi DeLaney	
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REPORT OF THE
COMMISSIONER OF THE
GENERAL LAND OFFICE

RECOMMENDATIONS OF FINANCE ITEMS

1. Finance – Approval of Financial Status Report and approval of November claims in the amount of \$118,938.42 *AC/CV*
2. Recommendations as a result of the Finance Committee meeting held December 7th
 - ✓ • NIRPC contract for services for 2001 *AC/GC*
 - Additional \$5 an hour for Attorney Lou Casale (Increase of \$80 to \$85) *AC/CV*
 - Additional \$4 an hour for Jim Pokrajac (Increase of \$42 to \$46/hour) (9.5%) *AC/GC*
 - Additional \$3 an hour for Judy Vamos (Increase of \$30 to \$33/hour) (10%) *AC/GC*
 - Additional \$1.50 an hour for Lorraine Kray (Increase of \$15 to \$16.50) (10%) ~~AC~~ *CV/CA*
3. Bonus recommendation as a measure of additional compensation for Dan Gardner and Sandy Mordus *AC/GC*
 - Dan Gardner – Bonus would be \$5,500 (same as last year) *AC/GC*
 - Sandy Mordus – Bonus would be \$4000 (same as last year)
4. Approval of 2001 Operating Budget (based on 6 months) *AC/CA*

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AND THE
NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
FOR THE PROVISION OF GENERAL SERVICES**

BY AGREEMENT MADE AND ENTERED INTO, on the date hereinafter written, by and between the NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, hereinafter referred to as "NIRPC", and the Little Calumet River Basin Development, hereinafter called the "LCRBDC", under the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, the following is hereby agreed:

- A. NIRPC shall provide the LCRBDC services and assistance as is required by the LCRBDC to carry out its purposes under its enabling statute, IC S14-6-29.5 - 1 through 10, inclusive.
- B. NIRPC shall assign Daniel Gardner to serve part time (approximately 50% of total hours) in the capacity of Executive Director of the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission and Sandra Mordus to serve full time in the capacity of Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission Operations Coordinator. NIRPC shall be compensated seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) per month for services provided by these two staff members. The amount is intended to cover both salary, fringe benefit, space and utility costs. Should the need arise to replace either of these staff members during the course of the Agreement, it will be done with the mutual consent of both parties to this Agreement. Should either staff member receive a salary increase during the course of this agreement, the amount charged will be increased on a basis equivalent to the percentage salary increase.
- C. In conjunction with the above designated staff, NIRPC shall provide adequate office space and furnishing for their use and make available use of all common facilities within the overall NIRPC offices such as conference and meeting rooms, hallways, restrooms, etc.; the provision of basic utilities such as gas, electric and water; and the provision of reception services including the answering of telephones and greeting of visitors.
- D. In addition to the above designated staff and space, NIRPC shall provide the LCRBDC with three additional 10' by 10' offices for use by its employees, contractors or agents. For these three staff offices, the LCRBDC shall compensate NIRPC at the rate of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) each per month. With respect to one of the rooms, the

Increase
from
\$7,162⁰⁰
(4.7%)

Increase
of 2 rooms
to 3 rooms
@ \$300 each.

LCRBDC will not be charged until it is occupied by a person. At the time of hiring that person, the room charge of \$300 per month will be instituted. In the event no person is hired, there will be no charge for the third room. If the LCRBDC occupies the room, the LCRBDC can cancel upon a 30-day notification with no further charges.

- E. NIRPC shall set the salaries for those employees working primarily for the LCRBDC at levels mutually agreed to by the LCRBDC and the NIRPC Executive Director.
- F. The Executive Director of the LCRBDC will continue to function as Chief Staff Officer for the LCRBDC and be responsible for the operational and administrative functioning thereof including, but not limited to, the following:
- Attendance at all regular and special meetings of the LCRBDC.
 - The conduct and coordination of negotiations for the Local Cooperation Agreement with the Army Corps of Engineers and all necessary State, County and local sub-Agreements to cause the construction and ensure funding of the flood control/recreation project and breakwater project.
 - The negation, coordination and/or preparation of all Federal, State and local legislative contracts, hearings and presentations relative to the LCRBDC business.
 - The presentation and negotiation with local municipalities, park boards, highway departments and sanitary boards relating to needed items of cooperation for the flood control, recreation and marina projects along the Little Calumet River.
- G. NIRPC shall provide the following financial management assistance to the LCRBDC and shall be compensated for such service by the LCRBDC at the rate of six hundred dollars (\$600) per month.
1. Aid the LCRBDC in preparation of its budget and provide accounting services for the receipt, investment and disbursement of its funds, all in accordance with applicable State Board of Accounts guidelines, statute, and guidelines set out by the Commission herein or otherwise.
 2. Deposit LCRBDC funds in the name of the LCRBDC and in

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depositories designated the LCRBDC.

3. Disburse LCRBDC funds only upon authorization to do so by the LCRBDC and presentation of a State Board of Accounts standard claim form signed by at least two Commission members and approved by the LCRBDC at a regular or special meeting. Checks shall be drawn from an account in the LCRBDC's name and shall be signed by the Treasurer and one other officer.
 4. Provide monthly financial reports and line item financial accounting of budgeted expenditures.
 5. An increased amount will be negotiated should the LCRBDC establish a payroll and request NIRPC to administrator it.
- H. The LCRBDC shall be responsible for the cost associated with the installation and use of its own telephone lines. Such lines installed will be compatible with telephone equipment owned by NIRPC.
- I. NIRPC shall make available use of its postage machine. Actual postage cost shall be billed to the LCRBDC.
- J. NIRPC shall make available to the LCRBDC the use of its copy machine. Use of this equipment will be billed at the rate of \$5.00 per month plus \$.06 per copy.
- K. NIRPC shall make available use of its facsimile machine. Use of this equipment shall be billed at the rate of \$5.00 per month plus actual long distance phone charges.
- L. LCRBDC agrees not to install within the NIRPC offices telephone, copier, or facsimile equipment. Any furniture or other equipment installed shall be located within the spaces designated for the exclusive use of the LCRBDC.
- M. NIRPC shall make available the use of its graphics and printing equipment and personnel. Graphics, printing, and clerical time charges will be billed at twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per hour. No per copy charge will be made. No charge will be made for bond paper or miscellaneous printing supplies. However, special order items will be billed as material costs. Such items include, but are not limited to, metal plates, envelopes, binders, labels and other specialty items for printing and graphic work.

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- N. NIRPC may make available additional space or other services to the LCRBDC on a direct request basis. NIRPC shall bill the LCRBDC for such services on a basis that is mutually agreed to by the parties.
- O. NIRPC shall provide itemized monthly billings for services performed. Payment shall be due within thirty (30) days after billing.
- P. This agreement shall be effective January 1, 2001 and shall terminate December 31, 2001. However, either party may terminate the agreement at an earlier date by providing written notice of intent at least 60 days prior to an effective termination date, which shall coincide with the last day of a calendar month.

NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL
PLANNING COMMISSION

By:

James E. Ranfranz
Executive Director

ATTEST:

Hugh Rhein
Director of Finance and
Administrative Services

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

By:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Dan Gardner,
Executive Director

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WORK STUDY SESSION
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE
December 13, 2000

Bob Huffman, Committee Chairman

1. A meeting was held with INDOT on November 29th, 2000, to review future design, scheduling and construction along the I-80/94 corridor and I-65.
2. A utility coordination meeting was held on November 16th, 2000, for Stage V-Phase 2 to discuss construction on both sides of the river, East of the N.S. RR and West of Kennedy Ave., for (17) pipelines on the NIPSCO R/W.
3. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for the North 5th Street pump station on December 20th, 2000.
4. A pre-construction meeting was held on November 27th, 2000, for the pump station 1A contract (Overstreet Construction) – scheduled starts:
 - Baring – July 2001
 - Hohman/Munster – August 2001
 - South Kennedy – September 2001
 - Walnut – September 2001Completion of contract anticipated October 2002
5. Two (2) letters were sent to James Meyer (Gary attorney representing GSD) from Lake Station and Hobart, regarding their concerns for existing combined sewers, the impact to these by our Flood Control Project, and their community responsibility to funding changes or additions to these systems.
6. Stage VII review on plans and specs. were completed on December 8th, 2000, including a letter from Dr. Reshkin concerning impacts to adjacent structures during sheet pile installation.
7. We anticipate an expenditure of \$557,342 for utility re-locations over the next six months through existing agreements.



WORK STUDY SESSION

13 December 2000

LAND ACQUISITION / MANAGEMENT REPORT

CHUCK AGNEW, CHAIRMAN

- 1.) There are no increased offers or condemnations.
- 2.) The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC) is proposing a plan to access Thorn Creek and Little Calumet River USGS gauges. In the event of a flood or operational shutdown, MWRDGC will use a phone system to access information used to control inlet structure gates.
- 3.) We currently receive \$58,750 in annual sign leases and anticipate four (4) additional signs in 2001 for an additional total that could be \$10,000 for a new total of \$68,750 annually.
- 4.) We received a check for \$6,250 on 29 November 2000 from the Bult Brothers for farming the land between Chase & Grant. The amount is based on our agreement to receive \$62.50 per acre of tillable land.
- 5.) The Flying J Travel Plaza (truck plaza) has requested and received an INDNR "administrative review" hearing which is set for 12 December 2000. INDNR had denied a floodway permit to the Flying J and they want to present a revision to their flood model.
- 6.) LCRBDC had a conference call with the COE on 21 November 2000 regarding turnover of O & M responsibility for levee segments. LCRBDC agreed to initially inspect and accept responsibility on an individual basis to relieve the contractor of his obligations. LCRBDC will, however, require a procedure to mutually sign off with the COE to accept O & M responsibility.
- 7.) (Mitigation) LCRBDC received the mitigation matrix on 12 December 2000. Copies will be distributed with discussion at commissioner's meeting on 13 December 2000.
- 8.) (Woodmar Country Club)
 - a. LCRBDC attorney sent a letter to the COE on 4 December requesting that COE send the promised information about alternative floodproofing for Woodmar. When received our attorney will forward the information to Woodmar attorney Ken Reed.
 - b. LCRBDC sent a letter on 21 November to appraiser Dale Klescynski to complete a feasibility report for a "value range" on the acquisition to better calculate funding needs. Appraiser will make the report presentation at January 2001 commissioner's meeting.



RECOMMENDATIONS OF FINANCE ITEMS

1. Finance – Approval of Financial Status Report and approval of November claims in the amount of \$118,938.42
2. Recommendations as a result of the Finance Committee meeting held December 7th
 - NIRPC contract for services for 2001
 - Additional \$5 an hour for Attorney Lou Casale (Increase of \$80 to \$85)
 - Additional \$4 an hour for Jim Pokrajac (Increase of \$42 to \$46/hour) (9.5%)
 - Additional \$3 an hour for Judy Vamos (Increase of \$30 to \$33/hour) (10%)
 - Additional \$1.50 an hour for Lorraine Kray (Increase of \$15 to \$16.50) (10%)
3. Bonus recommendation as a measure of additional compensation for Dan Gardner and Sandy Mordus
 - Dan Gardner – Bonus would be \$5,500 (same as last year)
 - Sandy Mordus – Bonus would be \$4000 (same as last year)
4. Approval of 2001 Operating Budget (based on 6 months)



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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

December 4, 2000

Real Estate Division

SUBJECT: Crediting Issues

Mr. Dan Gardner, Executive Director
Little Calumet River Basin
Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, Indiana 46368

Dear Mr. Gardner:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you and your staff for an exemplary effort in processing crediting files in the past six months. Sandy Mordus, Lorraine Kray, and Judy Vamos are to be commended for their efforts in processing over \$1.5 million in approved crediting files during this time period.

As you know, crediting for Lands, Easements, Rights-of-Way and Relocations may be used as an offset for your 25% contribution to the project. If crediting is not kept up to date, you may be liable for an additional cash contribution. For this reason, we request that you continue your efforts to process crediting files in a timely manner.

Further questions may be directed to me at 312-353-6400, X-5005.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emmett T. Clancy", is written over a horizontal line.

EMMETT T. CLANCY
Chief, Acquisition Branch

CF: PM-PM (SAMARA)