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DAN GARDNER
Executive Director

LOU CASALE
Attorney

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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, AUGUST 1, 2007
AT THE COMMISSION OFFICE
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, IN

ONE-HALF HOUR WORK STUDY SESSION - 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA

1. Call to order by Chairman Bill Biller
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Visitors and Guests
4. Approval of Minutes of July 11, 2007 1-4
5. Chairman's Report 5-6
 - July 27 State Budget Committee hearing in Fort Wayne
 - > Allocation of \$2 million from 2007/09 biennium
6. Action Required:
 - Finance:
 - Approval of budget line transfer 7
 - Approval of claims for July 2007 8-9
 - Approval of O&M claims for July 2007 10
 - Amendment of Commission 2007 budget to include \$2 million allocation
7. Executive Director's Report
 - Meeting w/Army Corps and Federal Office of Management & Budget at Griffith field office on July 19
 - > Presentation of Little Calumet River project features, status, and benefits
 - > Tour of project area - SVI and SV-2 ending at Cabelas' site
 - Meeting with Chicago Corps and FEMA on July 17 at Chicago office
 - Meeting on July 30 with town of Munster staff to enlist their help/financial contribution toward easement acquisition in Stage VII

no committee reports - only 3 wks between

Elizabeth Gmard
Todd Dist.
Bill Bellotti

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8. Standing Committees

A. Finance Committee – Report by Treasurer Kent Gurley

- Financial status report for end of July 2007
- Issues for discussion

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B. Land Acquisition/Land Management Committee – Committee Chair Bob Marszalek
Land Acquisition

- Appraisals, offers, acquisitions
- Status of activity for Stages V-2, VII, and VIII
 - > Corps to advertise SV-2 on July 31
 - > Meeting with Hammond city engineer on July 20 to acquire needed SV-2 Hammond easements
 - > SVIII real estate changes–received modifications to real estate on July 12
- Staff pursuing coordination with Corps for INDOT highway credits

Land Management

- RFP update for 32 acres east of Clay Street
- Issues for discussion

C. Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chair Bob Huffman

- Update on SV-2 pipeline corridor
 - > Corps received comments on July 6 from pipelines
 - > Third request on July 23 to pipelines for cost estimates/agreements
- Action to solicit cost estimates for Griffith levee certification; awaiting Corps letter
- Issues for discussion

D. Operation & Maintenance – Committee Chair Bob Huffman

- Status of O&M turnover
 - > July 21 email to Corps requesting schedule for upcoming inspections regarding pump stations (complete); levees (mowed); sluice/flap gates (to be completed by August 31)
 - > Review of other items needed to effect turnover in Gary O&M
- Starting O&M turnover to Highland
- Issues for discussion

E. Legislative Committee – Committee Chair

- Issues for discussion

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F. Environmental Committee – Committee Chair Mark Reshkin

- Issues for discussion

G. Recreational Development Committee – Committee Chair Bob Huffman

- Issues for discussion

H. Policy Committee – Committee Chair Bob Marszalek

- Issues for discussion

9. Other Issues / New Business

10. Statements to the Board from the Floor

11. Set date for next meeting; adjournment

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION HELD AT 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2007
6100 SOUTHPORT ROAD
PORTAGE, INDIANA

Chairman William Biller called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Eight (8) Commissioners were present. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The guests were recognized.

Development Commissioners:

Arlene Colvin
Robert Huffman
Steve Davis
Bill Biller
Mark Reshkin
Charlie Ray
John Mroczkowski
R. Kent Gurley

Visitors:

Bill Petrites – Highland resident
Imad Samara – Project Manager, Corps of
Engineers
Elizabeth Johnson – Congressman
Visclosky's Office
Paul Baran - WWPC
Rene Casale
Todd Dust – Highland resident
Joe Koselke – Highland resident

Staff:

Dan Gardner
Sandy Mordus
Lou Casale
Judy Vamos
Lorraine Kray

The minutes of the meeting held on June 6 were approved by a motion from Bob Huffman; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report – Chairman William Biller read a letter of resignation from George Carlson, appointment of the Mayor of Hammond. George has served on the Commission for over 24 years. Staff will order a plaque for him and invite him back to a meeting; staff will also follow up with some kind of tribute for him in the newspaper following a staff briefing and recommendation.

• Commissioner Bob Huffman made a motion authorizing the signature on the right-of-entry on Stage V-2 (Northcote to Kennedy, both sides of the river; segment includes the Cabela's development). Motion was seconded by Kent Gurley; motion passed unanimously. This is a very important construction segment; the Corps has to award this segment this fiscal year to not jeopardize their federal funding. Attorney Casale commented that he has reviewed it and is satisfied that the Commission has acquired the needed easements. There will be some options to the contract but staff is working hard to eliminate those options as quickly as possible.

Action Required – Treasurer Kent Gurley presented several items for approval. He proceeded to make a motion to approve the June claims in the amount of \$227,682.79; motion seconded by Arlene Colvin; motion passed unanimously. Although there is money in the budget to pay the invoices, there was a negative line item on the budget report. That item will be corrected on the next budget report. Mr. Gurley proceeded to make a motion to approve the O&M claims in the amount of \$1,656.01; motion seconded by Bob Huffman; motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Huffman inquired about the NIPSCO bill for

3120 Gerry Street. It was our understanding that the NIPSCO account had been transferred to the lessee. Lessee agreed to contact NIPSCO to change the name and also indicated it was his responsibility.

Executive Director's Report – Executive Director Dan Gardner emphasized that, although we only received \$2 million in this last biennium, we are committed to finding the additional funds totaling an estimated \$6 million to keep to the schedule.

- Mr. Gardner referred to the letter to the Colonel regarding Stage VIII (Columbia to the state line, both sides of the river). The letter states that due to insufficient project funds at this point in time, appraisals in this stage cannot be contracted for. The remaining funds from the IEDC that we are using are committed to completing Stage V-2 only. The title work and survey work in SVIII are complete; but appraisals have not begun. Some of the surveys will need to be modified to reflect changes due to upcoming engineering changes from the Corps. Mr. Gardner went on to say that he has just spoke to Tony Armstrong at the SBA who has informed him that the Commission is on the agenda for the next budget meeting July 27 for the entire \$2 million allocation. The meeting is in Fort Wayne and Mr. Biller and Mr. Gardner will attend. Judy Vamos was instructed to call the appraisers tomorrow and assign them to begin the Stage VIII appraisals. Mr. Gardner commended the State Budget Agency for recognizing the crisis and stepping up to help us. The second part of the letter to the Colonel outlines a “game plan” to obtain the remaining \$6 million. Mr. Gardner will document the economic development benefits of the project and also the benefits to individuals for not having to pay flood insurance (over \$7 million of estimated benefit in total saved in the next three years).

- In Stage VII, we are asking the town of Munster to help us out with funding for easement payments to property owners. (There are 54 easements) We expect that the city of Hammond will also participate in donating the easements. Mr. Gardner will write a letter to all communities asking for any additional funding to help out; all support/contributions are being documented. At the same time, we will ask for their support in our approach with Congressman Visclosky to aid in the RDA support for a gap financing mechanism. We expect a letter back from the Corps emphasizing that without local sponsor funding, they cannot spend the federal dollars. Chairman Biller thanked Mr. Gardner for the outstanding job he has done in putting together a plan for financing.

Finance Committee – Finance action was already taken. The financial statement for end of May can be found on page 13 of the agenda packet. Mr. Gurley added that the budget will be revised once we have received the allocation of the \$2 million from the State.

Land Acquisition/Land Management Committee – In Committee Chairman Bob Marszalek’s absence, Mr. Gardner stated that staff will work hard to eliminate the options to the V-2 contract. The Corps added four additional parcels within the last week and all will be options.

- Commissioner Kent Gurley thanked staff for an outstanding job, especially Judy Vamos in her diligence in the easement acquisition. Mr. Gardner added that Jim Pokrajac is not only coordinating all the survey work for all the properties, but is coordinating the huge job of the 18 pipeline relocations on the NSRR and NIPSCO rights of way; and working with

Austgen Electric to complete all remaining items for O&M in the East Reach so we can turn it over to the city of Gary. Inspections will be held shortly.

- Mr. Gardner stated that the Corps is meeting with FEMA next week and staff will attend that meeting.
- Regarding land management, Mr. Gardner indicated that with all of our efforts being focused on meeting the deadline date for Stage V-2, we have not developed the RFP for the 32 acres east of Clay Street in Lake Station. The 32 acres is not large enough to be included in the NRCS program. He has not heard back from the organization since their inspection of the lands, but we are still hopeful that they will accept us into the program. They would pay us for the use of the property if it is suitable for wetland enhancement; it would remain in our ownership.

Project Engineering Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman reported that we have received the 90% back check review set of V-2 and they have been distributed to appropriate parties. We have also received 3 of 11 cost estimates that are needed from the pipelines. Staff will continue to seek the other 8 estimates.

- The MOA with the Corps of Engineers to do the design needed for certification of the Griffith levee has not been developed yet. This will be a priority.
- Dyer Construction is working on the Burr Street East contract. Mr. Gardner has a meeting tomorrow at Gary City Hall with Superior Construction and the city to talk about Burr Street Gary completion and monies due Superior.
- Mr. Huffman referred to a letter that Mr. Gardner wrote in support of the proposed development at Cline & I-80/94 (Griffith golf course). Their plan will provide compensatory storage due to future development that meets the Army Corps hydrology requirements.

Operation & Maintenance Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman stated that staff is working with Austgen Electric for the repair work on sluice gates/flap gates, and pump stations. We are trying to complete everything to “as-built” condition by end of August so we can turn the O&M over to the city of Gary. We will be having inspections with the Corps and the city very soon. Jim Pokrajac is coordinating. This is critical to assure FEMA to proceed with floodplain re-mapping.

- Levees have been mowed.

Legislative Committee – Legislative issues have already been discussed.

Environmental Committee – Committee Chairman Mark Reshkin referred to the letter in the packet from Fish and Wildlife Service transmitting comments regarding property on the east side of Kennedy Avenue at the river.

- Also received was a letter from the Colonel transmitting the Environmental Assessment for the proposed Hobart Marsh mitigation project. Imad Samara added that the actual contract for restoration of the area by the Army Corps will be next year.

Recreation Committee – Committee Chairman Bob Huffman confirmed with Imad Samara that the trail tie-in for Stage VI-2 at Liable Road and the NIPSCO R/W has been officially removed from the segment. Imad stated that it was going to connect to Highland’s trail.

Highland and NIPSCO are still working on details of trail. The Corps cannot go beyond their work limits; it will be completed after Highland extends their trail.

Policy Committee - There was no report.

New Business – There was none.

Statements from the Floor – Highland resident Todd Dust, who lives in the VI-1 South construction segment, expressed his concern about the area of construction. He shared some photos he has taken. The area is incomplete; a mess; a safety concern; a trespass situation. Chairman Biller also expressed his concern after seeing the photos. Imad stated that he would look into it. Commissioner Reshkin asked Imad for an update at the next meeting.

- Resident Paul Baran, near Hawthorne Drive in the V-2 area, thanked Mr. Gardner for some updated information he gave him on the project.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled Board meeting is set for 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 1, 2007. Please note we are back on schedule and this is the first Wednesday of the month.



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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

THE BUDGET COMMITTEE WILL MEET

**ON FRIDAY, JULY 27, 2007
AT 9:00 A.M. (Eastern DST)**

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY-PURDUE UNIVERSITY
FORT WAYNE**

WALB UNION, ROOMS 222, 224 and 226

FT. WAYNE, INDIANA

20. Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission (885) \$2,000,000

The agency is requesting funds to meet non-federal project requirements for easement acquisition, utility relocations and a 7% cash match for non-federal construction contracts. Contingent upon non-federal funding, more than \$20 million of federal construction contracts are scheduled over the next few years. When the project is completed it will allow over 8,800 structures to be removed from the floodplain, provide significant areas for development outside the levee system, and protect state resources such as I-80/94, Indiana University Northwest and fringe areas of Purdue Calumet.

Funding Source: 2007 General Fund
Little Calumet River Basin Commission
Repair and Rehabilitation

II. University Projects

1. Purdue University – West Lafayette (760) \$1,120,000
Lynn Hall Research Laboratory Renovation
Rooms 2177 and 2183
Project No. B-1-07-2-12

The trustees of Purdue University request authorization to proceed with the financing and construction of the Lynn Hall research laboratory renovation of rooms 2177 and 2183. The project is needed to recruit a senior, tenure-track scientist to Purdue. The space is currently occupied by the Bone and Articulation Laboratory of the Department of Basic Medical Sciences. The project is part of the strategic plan of the Department, School, and University. The existing laboratory is nearly 50 years old and is not organized in a manner that facilitates education and research. There is no space for undergraduate and graduate student desks because the space was not constructed for this purpose. The architectural plan that has been developed for the project has been designed to facilitate undergraduate and graduate education under the close supervision of senior scientists (professors) by having desks and laboratory workbench space that is flexible. This project is not eligible for plant expansion.

Funding: Gift Funds
CHE Review: May 30, 2007

BUDGET LINE TRANSFER

Transfer \$250,000 from Line Item 5882 Utility Relocation Expense

into

Line Item 5860 Project Land Purchase Expense

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT,

	2007							ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED
	BUDGET	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL	BUDGETED
									BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	7,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,450.00	2,450.00	5,050.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	3,500.00	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	283.33	1,699.98	1,800.02
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	145,000.00	11,742.56	12,743.90	12,536.24	13,188.58	12,475.34	12,586.25	75,272.87	69,727.13
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	2,500.00	38.40	41.00	12.40	14.00	24.40	489.20	619.40	1,880.60
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36.82	36.82	1,963.18
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	8,000.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	6,406.25	0.00	0.00	6,556.25	1,443.75
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	6,500.00	469.54	472.65	527.86	553.80	506.48	584.25	3,114.58	3,385.42
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	5,000.00	79.50	188.50	106.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	374.95	4,625.05
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	700,000.00	35,139.96	72,326.12	77,003.90	163,308.17	56,647.33	101,469.82	505,895.30	194,104.70
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	326,000.00	1,783.00	49,686.00	15,109.00	15.00	0.00	109,517.86	176,110.86	149,889.14
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,229.90	1,196.16	265.26	4,691.32	995,308.68
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.								0.00	0.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.								0.00	0.00
5892 PROJECT COSTSHARE/ESC ACCT	1,442,583.00							0.00	1,442,583.00
	3,648,583.00	49,536.29	135,891.50	105,579.68	186,999.03	71,133.04	227,682.79	776,822.33	2,871,760.67

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	2007							ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED
	BUDGET	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL	BUDGETED
									BALANCE
5801 PER DIEM EXPENSES	7,500.00	0.00						2,450.00	5,050.00
5811 LEGAL EXPENSES	3,500.00	283.33						1,983.31	1,516.69
5812 NIRPC SERVICES	145,000.00	12,055.26						87,328.13	57,671.87
5821 TRAVEL/MILEAGE	2,500.00	30.80						650.20	1,849.80
5822 PRINTING/ADVERTISING	2,000.00	0.00						36.82	1,963.18
5823 BONDS/INSURANCE	8,000.00	0.00						6,556.25	1,443.75
5824 TELEPHONE EXPENSES	6,500.00	549.22						3,663.80	2,836.20
5825 MEETING EXPENSES	5,000.00	0.00						374.95	4,625.05
5840 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	700,000.00	26,077.53						531,972.83	168,027.17
5860 PROJECT LAND PURCHASE EXP.	326,000.00	116.00						176,226.86	149,773.14
5882 UTILITY RELOCATION EXP.	1,500,000.00							4,691.32	1,495,308.68
5883 PROJECT LAND CAP. IMPROV.								0.00	0.00
5884 STRUCTURES CAP. IMPROV.								0.00	0.00
5892 PROJECTCOSTSHARE/ESC ACCT	1,442,583.00							0.00	1,442,583.00
	4,148,583.00	39,112.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	815,934.47	3,332,648.53

CLAIMS PAYABLE FOR JULY 2007

ACCT	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT	EXPLANATION OF CLAIM
5811	CASALE ,WOODWARD & BULS LLP	283.33	MONTHLY RETAINER THROUGH JULY 20,2007
5812	NIRPC	12,055.26	SERVICES PERFORMED JUNE 2007
5821	SANDY MORDUS	30.80	MILEAGE FOR July 2007
5824	AT & T	420.49	BILLING PERIOD 7/14/07-8/13/07(TOTAL BILL 439.61 KRBC 19.12)
5824	VERIZON	128.73	BILLING PERIOD 7/16/07-8/16/07(TOTAL BILL 241.18KRBC 112.45)
5843	STEWART TITLE SERVICES	405.00	TITLE WORK RE: DC-1171A
5843	STEWART TITLE SERVICES	405.00	TITLE WORK RE: DC-1176
5843	STEWART TITLE SERVICES	490.00	TITLE WORK RE: DC-612 (1 OF 2)
5843	STEWART TITLE SERVICES	490.00	TITLE WORK RE: DC-612 (2 OF 2)
5844	JAMES E POKRAJAC	4,775.40	ENGINEERING/LAND AGENT 6/15/07-6/30/07
5844	JAMES E POKRAJAC	239.20	JUNE MILEAGE
5844	JAMES E POKRAJAC	2,103.45	ENGINEERING/LAND AGENT 7/1/07-7/15/07
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	3,245.98	LAND ACQUISITION AGENT SERVICES 6/16/07-6/30/07
5844	JUDITH VAMOS	3,059.90	LAND ACQUISITION AGENT SERVICES 7/1/07-7/15/07
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	907.30	CREDITING TECH & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 6/16/07-6/30/07
5844	G. LORRAINE KRAY	801.80	CREDITING TECH & LAND ACQUISITION ASST 7/1/07-7/15/07
5844	SANDY MORDUS	137.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 6/16/07-6/30/07
5844	SANDY MORDUS	112.50	CREDITING TECHNICIAN SERVICES 7/1/07-7/15/07
5849	CASALE.WOODWARD & BULS LLP	8,497.50	LAND ACQUISITION/LEGAL SERVICES FOR PERIOD ENDED 7/20/07
5849	CASALE WOODWARD & BULS LLP	407.00	LAND UTILITY RELOCATION/LEGAL SERVICE THROUGH 7/20/07
5861	LAKE COUNTY RECORDER	36.00	RECORDINGS FOR DC-1107
5861	LAKE COUNTY RECORDER	80.00	RECORDINGS FOR DC-1199

TOTAL

39,112.14

**APPROVAL TO PAY THE FOLLOWING INVOICES
FROM O&M FUND
August 1, 2007**

- **\$52.87 to T-Mobile for costs incurred for cell phone for engineer field work; monthly service 6/11/07 – 7/10/07**
- **\$5,500.00 to U.S.G.S. for gage monitoring at Hart Ditch**

TOTAL \$ 5,552.87

*\$ 4,877
NIPSCO
(Last payment)
\$557.74*

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JANUARY 1, 2007 - JUNE 30, 2007

CASH POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2007

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
LAND ACQUISITION	180,024.55
GENERAL FUND	52,129.93
TAX FUND	0.00
INVESTMENTS	
SAVINGS	760,563.12
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	4,411.06
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	997,128.66

RECEIPTS - JANUARY 1, 2007- JUNE 30, 2007

LEASE RENTS	128,366.48
LEL MONIES (SAVINGS)	
INTEREST INCOME(FROM CHECKING)	933.33
LAND ACQUISITION	2,012,147.84
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST	9.88
MISC. RECEIPTS	1,165.00
KRBC REI	858.24
TRANSFERRED FROM SAVINGS	490,400.07
PROCEEDS FROM VOIDED CHECKS	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<hr/>
	2,633,880.84

DISBURSEMENTS - JANUARY 1, 2007 - JUNE 30, 2007

ADMINISTRATIVE	
2004 EXPENSES PAID IN 2005	150,159.58
PER DIEM	2,650.00
LEGAL SERVICES	1,699.98
NIRPC	74,278.49
TRAVEL & MILEAGE	513.40
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	
BONDS & INSURANCE	6,481.25
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	3,619.65
MEETING EXPENSE	374.95
LAND ACQUISITION	
LEGAL SERVICES	57,446.16
APPRAISAL SERVICES	118,900.00
ENGINEERING SERVICES	31,066.25
LAND PURCHASE CONTRACTUAL	46,000.00
FACILITIES/PROJECT MAINTENANCE SERVICES	
OPERATIONS SERVICES	44,603.90
LAND MANGEMENT SERVICES	111,513.58
SURVEYING SERVICES	98,417.55
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	
ECONOMIC/MARKETING SOURCES	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURE COSTS	175,990.86
MOVING ALLOCATION	
TAXES	
PROPERTY & STRUCTURES INSURANCE	
UTILITY RELOCATION SERVICES	3,229.90
LAND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	
STRUCTURAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	
BANK CHARGES MERCANTILE	40.00
PASS THROUGH FOR SAVINGS	373,322.59
PAYBACK TO SAVINGS	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<hr/>
	1,150,148.51

CASH POSITION - JUNE 30, 2007

CHECKING ACCOUNT	
LAND ACQUISITION	262,697.08
GENERAL FUND	***127,261.66
TAX FUND	
TOTAL FUNDS IN CHECKING ACCOUNT	<hr/>
	389,958.74

CHASE SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE	166,947.67
(LAND ACQ IN HOUSE PROJECT FUNDS)	*104,360.55
(O & M MONIES)	**61,077.04

*Note: Original \$700,000 note

**Note: O & M Fund comprised of remaining LEL Money, \$185,000 Interest Money, and \$133,721.49 Marina Sand Money

SAVINGS INTEREST 1,510.08
***Note: Interest deposited from Savings 25,700; Escrow Interest 4,418; Burr St Interest 5,220

CHASE SAVINGS ACCOUNT	96,220.64
BURR ST PHASE II GARY	80,251.07
INTEREST	15,969.57
TOTAL SAVINGS	<hr/>
	263,168.31
ESCROW ACCOUNT INTEREST AVAILABLE	<hr/>
	2.94

TOTAL OF ALL ACCOUNTS

 653,129.99

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VISCLOSKY GETS \$45M FOR PROJECTS

Little Cal control project to receive \$15M; E.C. facility to get \$18M

Times Staff Report

WASHINGTON D.C. | Flood control, water management and environmental projects in Northwest Indiana will draw more than \$45 million from a bill that passed the U.S. House of Representatives on Tuesday.

The Little Calumet River flood

control project will take in \$15 million in the 2008 Energy and Water Appropriations bill, according to a news release from Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Ind.

Another \$18 million will aid a sediment disposal facility in East Chicago, Visclosky said.

The funding for these projects provides a foundation for attract-

ing new economic development and new good-paying jobs to Northwest Indiana," he said in the release.

The bill also includes:

- \$5.48 million for the Burns Waterway Harbor International Port.

- \$4.4 million for a project on Cedar Lake's water quality and

ecosystem.

- \$1 million for the Indiana Shoreline Erosion Project.

- \$910,000 for a study on the Grand Calumet River.

- \$760,000 for the Indiana Harbor.

The funds will be available if President Bush decides to sign the bill.



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Project Manager
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers
111 N. Canal Street
Chicago, Illinois 60606-7206

Dear Imad:

On July 17, 2007 the Development Commission received a request from the Army Corps to obtain a right-of-entry to do survey work in the Stage VII area (bounded on the west by Columbia Avenue and on the east by Northcote). Referring to the attached PDF's, it appears the bounds indicated extend beyond the work limits of the project. The Development Commission responded to this request on July 17th questioning why additional survey work would be needed at this point in time. To date, we have received no reply.

The Development Commission has already completed all of the survey work, completed all the real estate drawings and legal descriptions, and provided background mapping for all of the properties relative to the Stage VII area real estate requirements as directed by the Corps. This information could be made available to the Army Corps upon request and we would have our surveyor send you a PDF file, or any other format you would want. (DLZ is the surveyor for real estate south of the river and Garcia L.E. is the surveyor north of the river). These surveys were used in the appraisal process and have been reviewed and finalized. To keep to the jointly-committed schedule, we are making offers to the residents. We cannot modify the permanent or temporary easements in this area even if we keep the work limits the same. By changing the amount of permanent easement, it would affect the value of that easement. We would ask that no modifications be made to any of these easements because this real estate information has not only been shared in meetings with the residents but with the town of Munster as well, as called for in our schedule. If the Army Corps proposed to modify any of these easements, new survey work and appraisal work would have to be redone and would push the current Stage VII acquisition schedule back.

We have met with representatives from the town of Munster and presented them with hard copies of the appraisal reports indicating the fair market

Imad Samara
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value of the properties based upon the current legal descriptions. Munster staff is recommending approval of local contributed funding at their upcoming August 13 Board meeting based upon these fair market values. Additionally, the Development Commission has approached Stan Dostatni, Hammond's city engineer, for approval and donation of the needed easements on the north side of the river. This is also in process. The town of Munster's funding and the city of Hammond's donation of the needed easements in Stage VII will assist the Development Commission greatly in keeping to the schedule for the completion of this stage and, ultimately, the completion of the total flood control construction project.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to call me. The Development Commission is committed to the schedule and is making every effort to meet those deadlines contained therein. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Dan Gardner
Executive Director

/sjm

Cc: Roy Deda, *USACOE*
Vic Kotwicki, *USACOE*
Mark Lopez, *Congressman's Office*
Elizabeth Johnson, *Congressman's Office*
William Biller, *LCRBDC Chairman*
Lou Casale, *LCRBDC attorney*

LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ATTENDANCE ROSTER

NAME OF MEETING: LCRBDC DATE: August 1

LOCATION: 6100 Southport Rd CHAIRMAN: Bill Biller
Portage

PLEASE SIGN IN

	NAME (PLEASE PRINT)	ORGANIZATION, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER
1	Imad Samara	USACE
2	BILL PETRITES	HIGHLAND RESIDENT
3	Elizabeth Johnson	Congressman's Office
4	Todd Dyst	Highland resident
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WORK STUDY SESSION

1 August 2007

LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE

Robert Marszalek, Chairman

1.) There are no increased offers or condemnations tonight.

2.) Update on Stage V Right-of-Entry:

Right-of-Entry for Stage V was signed 11 July 2007 with eleven (11) options, which are easements not acquired as yet but in the final stages of the acquisition process.

a. Since our 11 July meeting four (4) of those acquisitions are CLOSED:

DC 1171 (private)

DC 1175 (private)

DC 1201 (Hammond Park Department)

DC 1211 (Hammond Redevelopment Commission)

b. Also, we have received a letter of intent from the Norfolk and Southern Railroad that it has accepted our easement offer and the easement agreements are in the closing process. This is one more option that will be eliminated (DC 1169). Letter attached.

c. We are working on completion of the remaining acquisitions by 30 August 2007:

DC 1112/1113 NIPSCo

DC 1130-A (private)

DC 1131 (private)

DC 11171-A (private)

DC 1176 (private)

DC 1180 (INDOT)

3.) Update on Stage VII:

a. Offers to Munster landowners will be mailed 14 August, the day after Munster Town Council approves \$302,000 for the funding. Munster will finance only the "just compensation" to landowners, not title work, survey, administration costs, etc. We anticipate donations from Munster and North Township. Actual number is \$301,280.45

4.) Update on Stage VIII:

A meeting with the seven appraisers and the national review firm who will be appraising and reviewing the Stage VIII acquisitions will be held 15 August 2007 at the Portage office. At that meeting appraisers will be given their assignments to appraise the 90± appraisals. We're working to have appraisals completed in 60± days (mid October) so offers can be made in November and early December. Due to recent Corps real estate modifications some surveys may not be available by the 15 August meeting; therefore, some offers may not go out until late December.



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July 27, 2007

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Subject: Hammond, Lake County, Indiana
Milepost LK-6.25 to 6.35 Kankakee Line (IHB-Schneider)

Activity No. 1100225 / AFE # 2007 0893

Proposed grant of easements (temporary & permanent) to the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission.

Dear Mr. Casale:

This is in reply to your letter dated August 8, 2006 regarding the proposed acquisition of easements across railroad right of way required for the Little Calumet River Flood Protection and Recreation Project.

We are pleased to inform you that in lieu of condemnation, our Railroad Management has accepted LCRBDC's Easement Acquisition Offer of \$16,350.00 (lump sum) for the subject easements. We have also received approval from our Engineering Department that they will accept your legal descriptions of the temporary and permanent easements in accordance with the revised easement exhibits submitted via LCRBDC e-mail dated May 29, 2007.

In order to complete this sale transaction, we are forwarding the real estate paperwork, plans and easement descriptions to our attorney:

Linda Hill, General Attorney
Norfolk Southern Corporation
1200 Peachtree Street N.E. - 12th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30309 Telephone: (404) 962-5807

Ms. Linda Hill will represent Norfolk Southern at closing. She will prepare the necessary deed and will forward the documents to you with instructions for completing this sale transaction. Your patience and cooperation throughout this process have been greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



Karl R. Autenrieth

CC: Judy Vamos ✓
Land Acquisition Agent
Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission
6100 Southport Road
Portage, IN 46368

Sarah N. Snoeberger
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P.O. Box 1010
Lafayette, IN 47902-1010

July 30, 2007

Local Project Contributions

1. Deep River Borrow Site – Lake County Parks Dept.
 - Provided approximately 1.3 million cubic yards of clay (value of clay approximately \$1.25 per cubic yard for a total of about \$1,625,000 savings)
 - After excavation, Big Maple Lake was created in Deep River Park
2. Carlson-OxBow Park
 - City of Hammond contributed \$300,000 to complete the recreation features as part of the flood control/recreation project.
3. City of Hammond
 - City constructed federally-approved levee and pump station west of Hohman Avenue to the State Line for a total cost savings of \$1,667,200.
4. Dedicated easements
 - A. City of Hammond
 - Donation of easements for five (5) pump stations in the west reach at a cost of approximately \$9,000 per station for a total cost savings of approximately \$45,000 on real estate)
 - B. Town of Highland
 - Donation of easements for two (2) pump stations at \$9,000 each for a total cost savings of approximately \$18,000
 - Donation of easement for Wicker Park Manor levee construction at a savings of approximately \$12,000
 - 25 local residents donated easements for Wicker Park Manor levee construction at a cost savings of approximately \$1,000 each for a total cost savings of approximately \$25,000
 - C. City of Gary
 - Donation of easements for Chase Street trail for a total estimated savings in real estate costs of approximately \$25,000.
 - Donation of easements for Gleason Park Recreation Phase 1 – saving the Commission approximately \$35,000.
 - D. North Township
 - Donation of about ¼ acre easement for Wicker Park Manor levee construction at a savings of approximately \$3,000
 - SV-2 easements at Wicker Park valued at \$321,405
5. Lake County Commissioners
 - Donation of lands for project use with total acreage approximately 168 acres at a total estimated amount of \$353,000

+ Munster
302,000
Contributions

6. Lake County Parks Department
 - Donation of lands for project use with total acreage approximately 85 acres at a total estimated amount of \$200,000.
 - Easement valued on Deep River borrow site at \$104,000
7. Lake County Parks Department & City of Gary
 - Lake County Parks Dept. contributed over \$100,000 and the City of Gary donated \$50,000 for Lake Etta recreation improvements. The Lake County Parks Department used their Land & Water grant eligibility on three separate Lake Etta grants (50/50). New group picnic building and lake use improvements have been funded through County Park bonding.
 - Donated and transferred ownership of various lots for \$200,000
8. City of Gary
 - 3 demolitions of structures on Commission property in the east reach. If we had to let a contract for demolitions, it would have not been creditable and would have cost the Commission approximately \$18,000 (\$6,000 each structure)
 - Mayor Scott King has recently committed \$1.4 million of City funds to fund the "betterment" portion of the final levee segment in the east reach – the Burr Street levee.
9. City of Hammond
 - City easements valued at \$46,000
 - Hammond Sanitary District easements valued at \$359,000
 - Hammond Parks & Recreation Dept. easements valued at \$32,500
 - SV-2 – city easements on DC11285 (Corrine Drive) valued at \$6,980
 - SV-2 – city easements on DC 1210 (easement on Northcote) valued at \$1,010
 - SV-2 – Hammond Redevelopment Comm. easements DC1211 valued at \$28
 - SV-2 – Hammond Parks & Recreation easements DC1201 valued at \$543
10. Town of Highland
 - Highland Parks & Rec easements valued at \$104,000 (Homestead Park)
 - SV-2 DC1115A, 1116, 1117 – easements valued at \$33,600
11. Lake County Convention & Visitors Bureau
 - easement donation valued at \$3,750
12. NIPSCO
 - Easement donation at I-65 & 80/94 valued at \$103,000
13. INDOT
 - Easement donation in Kennedy Industrial Park and along 80/94 valued at \$20,000
14. WHITECO
 - SV-2 easement donation valued at \$45,400
15. Private landowners
 - \$70,000 for sheet piling instead of levee construction (\$25,000)

16. Krosan Corporation

- \$400,000 appraisal value to change engineering on industrial site

17. Cabela's

- Donation of easements valued at \$3,319,000

Local O&M Contributions

City of Hammond

1. Southeast Hessville
 - Provided all necessary maintenance and materials for the year 2002 at \$35,000 per year for a total cost savings of \$35,000.
2. Currently, 4 pump stations in Hammond are anticipated to be completed by the end of 2003. Estimated annual O&M cost approximately \$35,000 per year for a total cost savings of \$140,000.
3. Carlson OxBow Park
 - City of Hammond has provided O&M since 1997 (7 years) at approximately \$10,000 each for a total cost savings of approximately \$70,000

Town of Highland

1. Wicker Park Manor
 - Have provided O&M on completed levee segment since 1995 (9 years) that includes mowing, landscaping, and general clean-up at approximately \$12,000 per year for a total cost savings of approximately \$108,000.
2. 81st Street Pump Station
 - Provided all necessary maintenance and materials for the year of 2002 at \$35,000 per year for a total cost savings of approximately \$35,000.
3. North 5th Street Pump Station and North Grace Street Pump Station (to be constructed)
 - Anticipated O&M for both stations at approximately \$70,000 per year

Little Calumet River Flood Control/Recreation Project

Economic Benefits Estimate

1. Federal Economic Benefits and Justification

A. Federal benefits/cost ratio – Federal project justification

- For the Federal project to be authorized by Congress to qualify for Federal funding, the project must prove a better than 1 to 1 benefit to cost ratio. This analysis is done by the U. S. Army Corps and must be approved by the Office of Management and Budget.
- Little Calumet River Flood Control Project currently has a 1.9 to 1 benefit to cost ratio (2007 figures).
- Federal flood control benefits of this project provide 200 year flood protection which provides over \$12 million per year in annual savings from flooding.
- 8,600 homes, businesses, and public buildings will be protected as the result of the Federal project construction. All are located along the heavily-urbanized I-80/94 Borman Expressway.
- I-80/94 Borman Expressway will be protected by the project to the 200 year level of flooding.
 - > Travel modeling in the project analysis indicated a 200 year level flood could totally shut down traffic for 3-4 days.
 - > Traffic interruption for any extended period of time has crippling impacts upon the local economy, public safety in northwest Indiana, and as well as broader work trips traveling north to the urbanized industries.
- Over 160,000 vehicles per day currently use the Borman with as many as 35-40% being heavy haul trucks, many on interstate commerce business.

*Commuter expenses -
significant \$'s involved
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2. Individual Economic Benefits/Personal Savings

A. A rough breakdown of the 8,600 structures in the floodplain follows:

8,000 homes
500 businesses
100 public buildings

- For the owners of the 8,000 homes, the project will:
 - (1) provide the structures with 200 year flood protection
 - (2) significantly increase the value of the structure
 - (3) increase the sale potential to the owner
 - (4) eliminate the need for costly flood insurance payments
- Estimate of savings for the flood insurance:
 - 8,000 homes -
 - > 60% mortgages paying flood insurance \$1,000-\$1,200 per year average payment
 - > Individual savings estimated between \$4 million per year to \$4.8 million per year.

500 businesses -

- > Estimated 80% paying flood insurance at \$2,500 - \$3,000 per year

100 public structures -

3. Economic Development Potential as the result of the Project

- Currently, 9,500 acres along the river are in the 200 year flood plain in Gary, Griffith, Hammond, Highland, and Munster.
 - > 5,000 acres containing the 8,600 homes, businesses and public structures, will be protected by the levee, pump stations, and flood retention system.
 - > 1,500 acres will provide the Army Corps public lands of the flood control system consisting of 22 miles of levees, 20 pump stations (seven new and fourteen existing stations upgraded, and numerous gravity protected site drainage structures.
 - > 550 acres of wetlands will be preserved/restored for flood water storage and environmental preservation.
 - > 200 acres of newly created wetlands are being proposed from existing farm land for additional environmental purposes with Soil Conservation Service funds.
 - > 17 miles of continuous recreation trails will be created tying into other regional trail systems.
 - > 6 major county and municipal parks are tied together by the river/trail system: 3 Rivers Park (Lake County); Gleason Park (city of Gary); Lake Etta (Lake County); Homestead Park (town of Highland); Carlson/OxBow Park (city of Hammond); Riverside Park (city of Hammond).
 - > 3,500 acres of urban land along the I-80/94 Borman corridor will be protected from flooding and available for development and re-development. Significant economic and land development opportunities exist at the interchanges along the Borman Expressway. Some of the opportunities include:
 - (1) I-65/Clay Street area (over 180 acres) of surplus land is dedicated to be donated to the city of Gary and will join with over 500 acres of city empowerment zone property to form an eastern light industrial park opportunity.
 - (2) Broadway interchange/corridor - Significant opportunities exist east of Broadway in the newly protected area for compatible development as part of the University Park development.
 - (3) Grant Street interchange/corridor - Over 200 acres of surplus Commission land are being donated to the city of Gary for urbanized development along the Grant Street and 35th Avenue corridors. Light industrial and warehousing opportunities, as well as business commercial developments, are potential. Also, the project will protect on the current flood plain fringe an area north of the Borman Expressway along 25th Avenue in Gary. This area is beginning significant

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development with an upscale grocery store complex, a medical clinic facility, and the new Truck City business development. Others will follow.

(4) *Burr Street interchange/corridor* – Significant acreage in the Black Oak area and the Burr Street corridor will be made available for future development and redevelopment. Currently, the Burr Street corridor is primarily residential but it has potential for economic development. With additional local infrastructure of water and sewer, the Black Oak section of Gary can now realize improved residential conditions and developments.

(5) *Cline Avenue interchange/corridor* – At the Cline Avenue/Borman interchange, a significant opportunity exists in the Griffith area with the proposal for the conversion of the Griffith golf course for urban development. This development is viable due to providing calculated amounts of drainage storage and project flood waters. The project will protect and allow build-out of the Kennedy Industrial Park.

(6) *Kennedy Avenue interchange/corridor* – At the Kennedy Avenue interchange and corridor running south of the Borman, an economic development plan is in the works with the collaboration of the Hammond Redevelopment Commission and the Highland Redevelopment Commission. With the clearing of the Kennedy Park Apartments, 26 acres on the Hammond side of the river and a potential 68 acres is being planned on the Highland side of the river in an unique river walk and upscale development. On the west side of Kennedy Avenue, the existing three hotels, Lake County Convention & Visitors Welcome Center, and several restaurants will benefit from these new developments. In the long term planning, the town of Highland Redevelopment commission is contemplating additional commercial opportunities on the west side of Kennedy south of the river.

(7) *Indianapolis Blvd. interchange/corridor* – The Indianapolis Blvd. interchange is being upgraded with \$3 million of committed funds from INDOT as part of the state of Indiana, city of Hammond, LCRBDC agreement with Cabela's Inc. for the purchase of and development of the 120 acres of the former Woodmar County Club property. In addition to the \$3 million INDOT dollars, up to \$6 million Indiana Economic Development Corporation dollars was made available to the LCRBDC to assure Cabelas' store and outlot developments are protected in a timely manner from potential flooding. In addition to the 180,000 sq.ft. Cabelas' store, the store will generate 150 full time jobs and 300 part time jobs, out lots will be available for development as early as the start of 2009 for hotels, restaurants, water parks, as part of a true destination

facility. This development will significantly enable the under-developed interstate plaza 67 acres to be redeveloped.

(8) Calumet Avenue interchange/corridor – Calumet Avenue interchange and corridor currently has viable businesses on the Munster side. The Hammond Clinic, Med Inn, and the Calumet shopping plaza will be protected by the project which has significant economic as well as social value. The Hammond area has some significant development potential west of Calumet once the area is out of the flood plain.

AMENDED
2007 OPERATING BUDGET

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

• Per Diem expenses	\$ 7,500
• Legal Services	\$ 3,500
• NIRPC Services	\$ 145,000
• Travel and Mileage	\$ 2,500
• Printing and Advertising	\$ 2,000
• Bonds and Insurance	\$ 8,000
• Telephone Costs	\$ 6,500
• Meeting Expenses	<u>\$ 5,000</u>

Sub-Total \$ 180,000

O&M BUDGET

Sub-Total \$ 100,000

LAND ACQUISITION/PROJECT DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

• Professional/Consultant Services & Land Acquisition/Easement Costs (only credit/critical path eligible)	\$ 2,776,000
• Utility Relocation/Railroad Crossings Costs (only credit/critical path eligible)	\$ 1,250,000
• Project Cost Share Payments/Escrow Account	<u>\$ 1,442,583</u>

\$ 5,468,583

Total Budget	\$ 5,748,583
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State panel approves Little Calumet funding

INDIANAPOLIS | State officials gave final approval Friday to \$2 million in levee improvement work along the Little Calumet River.

The State Budget Committee, of which state Sen. Frank Mrvan, D-Hammond, is a member, voted to allocate the funding at a meeting in Fort Wayne.

The state dollars will allow Little Calumet River Basin Development

Commission to move ahead with the next stage of the levee project, which includes appraisals for 90 properties within flood-plain areas.

More than \$20 million in federal construction contracts are scheduled over the next few years, according to Mrvan's office.

When the work is completed, more than 8,800 structures, including business and residential proper-

ties, will be removed from the flood plane. The project also will allow for considerable development in areas outside the levee system.

Several state resources such as Interstate 80/94, Indiana University Northwest and fringe areas of Purdue University Calumet will be protected. The state allocated \$3 million for Little Calumet levee work last year as part of the incen-

tives package granted to the Cabela's store in Hammond.

The Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission sought \$6 million from the state this year to match \$14 million in federal funds secured by U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Merrillville. But only \$2 million was included in the two-year state budget approved this spring. - THE TIMES

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LAND ACCESS ADVANCES LEVEE PROJECT

Work between Kennedy and Northcote could begin in October

BY STEVE ZABROSKI
Times Correspondent

HAMMOND | Completion of the next phase of flood control along the Little Calumet River is on a fast track now that the city has granted easements along two pieces of

property.

With the parcels — one adjacent to Northcote Avenue and the other near Corinne Drive — in hand, advertisements to bid on the construction work can go out within the week, said James Pokrajac, supervisor with the Little Calumet

River Basin Development Commission.

Work on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-sponsored levee segment between Kennedy Avenue and Northcote could begin by October, he said.

The Corps is drawing near to

completing the 22-mile, \$187 million levee project, which aims to remove thousands of residents from the threat of flooding — and costly flood insurance.

U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Ind.,

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Levee

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who has steered federal funds to the project since its 1990 inception on Gary's eastern border, has directed the Corps to complete the levee up to the Illinois state line by December 2009.

By early 2010, Pokrajac said it's possible the Feder-

al Emergency Management Agency will remap the river's flood plain and determine that many homes will no longer be required to carry flood insurance.

Once work is completed to Northcote Avenue, only two phases of the project remain — from Northcote to Columbia Avenue and from Columbia to the state line.

WORK STUDY SESSION

AUGUST 1, 2007

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS:

Finance

- ~~Approval of budget line transfer~~
- Approval of claims for August 2007
- Approval of O&M claims for August 2007
- ~~Amendment of Commission 2007 budget to include \$2 million allocation from State Budget Committee~~

ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE/POLICY:

- Update on Funding Strategy