

MINUTES OF THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1984
IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, 8149 KENNEDY AVENUE,
HIGHLAND, INDIANA

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman William Tanke. Nine Commissioners were present. Quorum was declared. Visitors were recognized. Tim Sanders (from Senators' Lugar & Quayles office) introduced Ron Breymier, State Director from Senator Quayle's office in Indianapolis).

Development Commissioners:

William Tanke
Philip Jaynes
Michael Doyne
Doyle Niemeyer
Charles Agnew
Clyde Baughard
Martin Behnke
George Carlson
Jerry Pagac

Guests:

Ernest Davis-LCRBC
Tim Sanders-Senators Lugar & Quayle
Ron Breymier-Senator Quayle's office
Nick Samargis-Times
John Canright-Portage Press

Staff:

Dan Gardner - Executive Director
Lou Casale - Attorney
Sandy Mordus - Secretary

After changes recommended by Charles Agnew, a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2 meeting was made by Charles Agnew; seconded by Clyde Baughard; motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve claims as presented was made by Clyde Baughard; seconded by Martin Behnke; motion passed unanimously.

Land Acquisition - Chuck Agnew gave report. All parcels have been assigned to an appraiser with exception of DC85, 86, 87 and Taft Street plat which has 38 lots.

Motion to obtain appraisals on those lots in the Tolleston Club area that are needed for project to proceed was made by Charles Agnew; seconded by Jerry Pagac; motion passed unanimously. Number of lots is now unknown but there will be one appraiser for all the lots.

The bid opening on Griffith property and Ensweiler fishing lake will be at 10 a.m. August 29. Staff will open bids, document findings and make recommendation to Commission as far as rental is concerned at the next meeting.

Lake Etta - Motion was made at Aug. 2nd meeting adopting their Phase II proposal. Motion by Charles Agnew that \$100,000 be made available as the match for Phase II development contingent upon approval of the Land & Water Conservation grant; seconded by Doyle Niemeyer; motion passed unanimously.

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Motion to accept Parcel DC98 at the price of \$202,000 and accept Resolution 84-3 was made by Charles Agnew; seconded by Jerry Pagac; motion passed unanimously. Resolution 84-3 is made part of minutes as Attachment 1.

Appraisals on Porter County Commissioners lots should be received by Sept. 7.

Legislative - Phil Jaynes reported that no action has been taken on the federal level. Meeting will be scheduled for members of the Development Commission to meet with State Budget Agency to discuss funds. Short meeting with Legislative Committee to take place after Commission meeting.

Dan Gardner explained appropriation sheet that was distributed to members. He announced that \$600,000 has been included in the Senate supplemental appropriations bill. Senator Lugar's office has issued press release.

Discussion was held on the authorization of the bill and what will happen when it is final and the money is available.

Breakwater/Marina - Groundbreaking ceremony was quite successful. Attendance was more than expected. Jerry Pagac announced that James Ridenour has now returned to his position as Director of Department of Div. of Natural Resources in Indianapolis.

Staff has been in contact with DNR on reservoir program. Meeting will be held next week with Bill Donceel, Director of Div. of Reservoirs and Glen Johnson, Landscape Architect with DNR in re. to marina status. Invitation will be extended to Mayor Goin.

River Maintenance - Dan Gardner announced that sediment samples were sent to State Board of Health by the County Health Dept. and found that complete testing was not done. Additional tests need to be done. It appears that dredging will not start this spring. Approximately \$1200 would be needed for retesting.

Corps of Engineers has to do some detailed hydrology on culvert sizes. September startup for modeling is expected. Grant Street as an individual case would be looked into for culvert replacement.

Discussion was held on situation in Black Oak in regards to non-existing sewer lines and non-licensed trailer parks. It was found that one drain tile goes across our property and dumps into the Little Calumet. Staff is looking into interim draining of ditches. Information is forthcoming on what it would take to improve the drainage. It was stated that there is nothing else that the Development Commission can do for Black Oak in regards to sewers, at this time.

Development Commission to go on record thanking the two representatives (Tim Sanders and Ron Breymier) from the Senators' offices for taking the time to visit the Commission meeting.

The next meeting date was set for Thursday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m. There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Clyde Baughard and seconded by George Carlson; motion passed unanimously.