

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tanke at 6:50 p.m. A quorum of eight members was declared.

Development Commissioners present:

William Tanke
Martin Behnke
Michael Doyne
Phillip Jaynes
Doyle Niemeyer
Clyde Baughard
George Carlson
Charles Agnew

Guests:

Dick Hanley - LCRBC
Lyle Lovell - LCRBC
Edward Lukowski - Hammond
Ed Langel - Salmon Unlimited
Jim Patton - Portage Port Authority/
Marquette Boat Club
Wayne Cuppett - LCRBC
Katherine Jaynes
Ernie Davis - LCRBC
Steve Collins - LCRBC
Ted Coopwood Jr. - Community Leader
Areltra Bishops - Community Leader

Staff:

Dan Gardner
Sandy Mordus

Guest were recognized. A motion to accept the minutes of the February 2nd meeting was made by Michael Doyne; seconded by Chuck Agnew. Motion passed.

Land Acquisition - Report given by Chuck Agnew. Motion to accept appraisal for DC 99 (Sikora property) was made by Chuck Agnew; seconded by Michael Doyne. Motion to advertise the Foltz property for rental was made by Chuck Agnew; seconded by Clyde Baughard. (Staff is to send letter to Mr. Foltz informing him that items must be removed from property - they were supposed to have been removed by March 1). Motion was made by Chuck Agnew; seconded by Clyde Baughard to advertise Ensweiler property for rental. Motion made by Chuck Agnew; seconded by Phillip Jaynes authorizing approval of appraisal for DC 100. Motion was made by Chuck Agnew; seconded by Phillip Jaynes to make changes in the agreement with Griffith on the Del Rose property to extend amount of time to clean up property (after burning building by Griffith Fire Dept.) from 48 hours to 3 - 5 days and authorizing permission to put debris in hole and cover with sand. Attorney Lou Casale was asked to send Mr. Del Rose a letter requesting him to remove those things which he was supposed to have already moved off the property when he vacated (over 1 year ago).

Burns Waterway Breakwater project - Local Cooperation Agreement is the agreement that we enter into with the Army Corps of Engineers for construction of Breakwater project whereby we agree to provide certain things to the Army Corps and they agree to provide certain things to us. Essence of their agreement is to provide and perform the construction and certain maintenance and also furnish (the U.S. of America) up to \$2 million in matching costs. Beyond that, the Development Commission is to match the \$2 million and anything over that. The Commission is to provide certain easements and right of ways and provide insurances that we will provide a marina and certain maintenance after project is completed. This Resolution (84-1) authorizes the president of the Commission to enter into the Local Cooperation Agreement. Lou Casale (attorney) read the Resolution. Motion to adopt the Resolution was made by Chuck Agnew; seconded by Phillip Jaynes.

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Legislative Committee - Phillip Jaynes reported that the Senate Bill passed both house. The House bill anticipates no problem and is expected to pass.

Doyle Niemeyer announced that he and Dan Gardner attended a meeting in Indianapolis. Purpose of meeting was to formulate state's response to the Corps plan. Conclusion was that all attending meeting supported Plan 3A. Dan Gardner requested authorization from the Commission to send letter stating we support the continuation of the project. Phillip Jaynes made motion to send letter; Clyde Baughard seconded.

Sediment Removal project - Project is within days of getting permit from Corps of Engineers. Problem is that state of Indiana Division of Water is now stating that some of the Corps data does not agree with some of their data. In process of reconciling problem.

Culvert Replacement project - Hydrologic data is needed from Corps so they and State can begin to move. State's concern is more water on Interstate if Penn Central culvert is replaced/enlarged.

Motion was made by George Carlson; seconded by Clyde Baughard to approve attorney's fees for month of January.

Lake Etta - City of Gary may be willing to participate in funding of the Lake Etta project. Consensus of Commission for staff to pursue talks with Gary.

Chairman Tanke asked Commission members to submit their committee selection reports.

Mr. Ted Coopwood from the audience asked if unemployed people living in the Little Calumet River area would be able to do manual labor that will be involved with this project. Phillip Jaynes made a motion; Martin Behnke seconded for the Commission to express their opinion to the Corps that they advertise for employment in the local area.

There being no further business, Chuck Agnew made a motion; Martin Behnke seconded to adjourn meeting. Adjournment at 7:35 p.m.

