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NOTICE TO ALL MCHENRY COUNTY MEDIA

MEETING NOTICE

(January 15, 2018) In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, this is to inform you that the regular monthly meeting of the McHenry County Conservation District Board of Trustees has been scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Brookdale Administrative Offices in Woodstock, Illinois.

The Brookdale Administrative Offices are located in Brookdale Conservation Area at 18410 US Highway 14, Woodstock, Illinois. Please contact the District office for more detailed directions at (815) 338-6223 X1234.
1.0 CALL TO ORDER - President Barrett

2.0 ROLL CALL
   2.1 Roll Call
   2.2 Remote Participation
      *In accordance with the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/07) and per Administrative Policy #200/03/02. Trustee Henning has requested in advance to participate remotely in the meeting through electronic participation. The basis for missing the meeting is due to a work-related commitment.

      Move to approve Trustee Henning’s request to participate remotely in the meeting through electronic participation due to a work-related commitment.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4.0 CONSERVATION ETHIC
   Goal #6: To foster a conservation ethic among McHenry County citizens helping all of us, regardless of the basis for our interest in nature, to develop a greater awareness of our role in, and responsibility for, the total community of life. A conservation ethic asks us to assume a moral duty to become educated about conservation issues and then to act on that information. A conservation ethic is an attitude that recognizes the importance of preserving the natural heritage of the county’s open space.
Goal #5: To assure sufficient integration of key District functions (i.e. educational services, site planning, land and facilities management, and natural resource management) to maximize the overall effectiveness of the District.

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT I

Public comments will be limited to 3 min. per person. Board members welcome all comments and will take them under advisement.

6.0 PRESENTATIONS

7.0 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS

7.1 Trustee Reports on Conferences & Meetings Attended
   7.1a Fox River Ecosystem Partnership - Trustee Campbell
   7.1b CMAP - Director of Land Preservation & Natural Resources Collins
   7.1c Chicago Wilderness - Executive Director Kessler
   7.1d Agricultural Conservation Easement and Farmland Protection - Trustee Henning
   7.1e McHenry County Farm Bureau - Trustee Henning
   7.1f IACFPD/IAPD/NRPA - Trustee Brandt & Executive Director Kessler
   7.1g McHenry County Conservation Foundation - Trustee Brandt/Trustee Kranz
   7.1h McHenry County Council of Governments - Secretary Scacci
   7.1i Green Drinks - Vice President Kranz
   7.1j Conservation Congress 2018 - President Barrett/Trustee Brandt

7.2 Finance & Administrative Committee

7.3 Outreach & Advocacy Committee

8.0 COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT

9.0 BOARD BUSINESS - CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are approved in one motion as presented on the agenda. The Trustees may remove items from the consent agenda for discussion purposes prior to the motion to approve.

9.1 Approval of Minutes
   9.1a December 21, 2017 - Committee of the Whole
   9.1b December 21, 2017

9.2 Executive Session Minutes to be Received and Placed on File
   9.2a December 21, 2017

9.3 Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report for December 31, 2017 as presented.

9.4 Motion to accept Quarterly Investment Report for Third Quarter of FY 2018 (October 2017 to December 2017) as presented.

9.5 Motion to authorize the destruction of listed verbatim recordings of Executive Session Meetings between January 2016 to June 2016 in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.
9.6 Motion to authorize the release of listed Executive Session Minutes to the public domain in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

9.7 Motion to adopt Resolution #18-01, amending Resolution #17-41 establishing the regular meeting dates of the Board of Trustees and Committees of the McHenry County Conservation District, specifically rescheduling the meetings of March 22, 2018 to March 15, 2018.

9.8 Motion to authorize the preparation of bid specifications and letting of bids for the construction of an Equestrian Trailer Only Parking Lot within the Brookdale Conservation Area, Woodstock as part of the Recreation Trails Program (RTP) Grant 16-23 (Bid #0118.09.01).

9.9 Motion to authorize the preparation of bid specifications and letting of bids for HMA improvements of the existing entrance drive to Lost Valley Visitor Center, Glacial Park Conservation Area, Richmond/Ringwood (Bid #0118.09.02).

9.10 Motion to authorize the Executive Director to execute a twelve (12) month Professional Services Agreement beginning April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019 with Concentric Integration, LLC of Crystal Lake, IL, for IT and computer support services at an estimated average monthly cost of $4,041.

9.11 Motion to appoint delegates and alternates representing the McHenry County Conservation District at the 2018 Conservation Congress for the following groups as proposed: Trustees and Trustees' Emeritus.

10.0 OTHER BOARD BUSINESS
10.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of December 2017
Motion to approve the payment of bills as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the month ending December 31, 2017.

10.2 Consideration of an Ordinance to Abate a Portion of Property Taxes for the year 2017 for Corporate and Special purposes to be Collected in 2018.
Move to pass Ordinance #18-942 and #18-943 abating a portion of property taxes for the year 2017 for corporate and special purposes to be collected in 2018 in the amount of $341,092.

10.3 Consideration of a Letter of Agreement with Modcamp, LLC
Move to adopt Resolution #18-02 authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Letter of Agreement with Modcamp, LLC of Barrington, IL regarding the due diligence phase of evaluating the feasibility of leasing a portion of the Fox Bluff Conservation Area for a luxury camping experience operation.

10.4 Consideration of Conservation Awards Program to Recognize of Extraordinary Contributions of Individuals
Move to adopt Resolution #18-03 authorizing the creation of a Conservation Awards Program to recognize the extraordinary contributions of individuals through the Conservation Champion Award and Conservation Legacy Award.

11.0 PRESIDENT’S REPORT

12.0 TRUSTEES’ REPORT
13.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
   13.1 Quarterly Dashboard - Third Quarter
   13.2 Strategic Plan FY 2016-2020 Year 3 - Third Quarter
   13.3 ADA Transition Plan: Year 6 - Third Quarter
   13.4 News Highlights - October-December 2017

14.0 PUBLIC COMMENT II

15.0 ADJOURN
   (Motion to adjourn or a motion to fix the time to which the Board shall adjourn to
   Thursday, February 1, 2018 6:00 p.m., Brookdale Administrative Office if needed).

Notice: In compliance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), this and all other
McHenry County Conservation District Board of Trustee Meetings are located in facilities
that are physically accessible to those who have disabilities. If additional reasonable
accommodations are needed please call the Executive Director’s Office at 815.338.6223
at least 72 hours prior to any meeting so that accommodations can be made.