FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 14, 2019

NOTICE TO ALL MCHENRY COUNTY MEDIA

MEETING NOTICE

(October 14, 2019) 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 Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 5:00 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 Vern Scacci

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 INTRODUCTORY ROLL CALL
3.1 Roll Call

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 CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE
We pledge to make a difference by standing up for our water, wildlife and way of life in McHenry County. Our quality of life in McHenry County depends on healthy and sustainable natural resources, thoughtfully developed cities and towns, a strong economy, and beautiful outdoor places to explore, discover and recreate.

No. 9 We will provide outdoor places to reflect, play and interact with family, friends and community.
6.0 ADOPT THE AGENDA

7.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITION PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS
7.1 Celebrating the Month of OAKtober

8.0 TRUSTEES REPORT

9.0 COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT

10.0 PRESIDENT’S REPORT

11.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS I

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12.0 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.

12.1 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
   12.1a September 5, 2019 - Special Call Strategic Planning Meeting
   12.1b September 16, 2019 - Finance & Administration Meeting
   12.1c September 19, 2019 - Committee of the Whole
   12.1d September 24, 2019 - Public Session
   12.1e August 15, 2019 - Executive Session

12.2 Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report for September 30, 2019 as presented.


12.4 Resolution #19-71 authorizing the Executive Director to execute the Mediation Agreement with the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council to begin negotiations for a successor/reopener collective bargaining agreement and to establish the District’s Negotiations Team which includes the appointment of Attorney Jill O’Brien of Laner Muchin of Chicago, IL.

12.5 Resolution #19-72 accepting the Building Assessment Report for the Prairiewood Education Center prepared by Studio 222 Architects of Chicago IL., and incorporating the recommended projects for the maintenance of Prairiewood Education Center into the FY 2021 Budget.

12.6 Resolution #19-73 authorizing a First Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Liberty Prairie Foundation for reimbursement under a Food: Land: Opportunity (FLO) Grant through the Kinship Foundation and Chicago Community Trust for the District’s Farmland Monitoring and Management System.

12.7 Resolution #19-74 adopting a position paper entitled “Strategies and Solutions to Protect our Parks, Open Space and Community: Effective Visitor and Resource Protection Services at the McHenry County Conservation District.”
12.8 Resolution #19-75 designating President Scacci, Vice President Brandt, Secretary Campbell and Executive Director Kessler to serve as delegates to the Annual Business Meeting of the Illinois Association of Park Districts to be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Chicago, Illinois on Saturday, January 25, 2020.

12.9 Resolution #19-76 authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding and Grievance Settlement between the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150 and McHenry County Conservation District regarding Section 5.7: On-Call/Call-Out Procedure.

12.10 Resolution #19-77 authorizing the disposal of listed of excess equipment with Obenauf Auction Services, Inc. of Round Lake, IL.

12.11 Resolution #19-78 approving Change Order #1 from Chadwick Contracting Company, of Lake in the Hills, IL, to increase the contract amount by $359 to pay for the Pannier Display Case Doors, for the Trailhead Improvements at Rush Creek Conservation Area (BID #0419.09.01).

12.12 Authorization to prepare specifications and solicit Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for an Attitude and Interest Survey of McHenry County Residents for the McHenry County Conservation District (RFQ #1019.10.01).

12.13 Authorization to prepare of specifications and let bids to secure the leasing of the Geever (121.00 +/- acres), Konapasek (79.9.00 +/- acres) parcels for three years and the Martini parcel (74.00 +/- acres) for one year (BID# 1019.08.01).

13.0 NEW & UNFINISHED BOARD BUSINESS

13.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of September 2019
13.1a Treasurer’s Internal Audit
13.1b Consideration to Approve the payment to Conserve FS as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the period ending September 30, 2019.
13.1c Consideration to Approve the payment of the balance of bills as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the month ending September 30, 2019.

13.2 Consideration of Resolution #19-79: Authorization to Execute Negotiated Agricultural Leases for Leases Expiring February 28, 2020

Resolution #19-79 authorizing the Executive Director to execute the listed agricultural leases: Abrams Parcel (28.75 +/- acres) with Michele Aavang & Grant DeYoung at 41.50%; Berry Parcel (23.2 +/- acres) with Travis Holian at 12%; Berry Parcel (165.5 +/- acres) with Craig Spiniolas at 53%; Bianchini Parcel (210 +/- acres) with Tim Nichols at 36%; Cavanaugh Parcel (60.9 +/- acres) with Tyke Nichols at 10.5%; Ellison (11.8 +/- acres) with Michele Aavang & Grant DeYoung at 45.90%; Kayser Parcel (41.3 +/- acres) with Nick Armbrust at 43.10%; Lind Parcel (30 +/- acres) with Michele Aavang & Grant DeYoung at 41.50%; Nichols 3 Parcel (74 +/- acres) with Tim Nichols at 36%; Nichols Partnership Parcel (50 +/- acres) with Jim Nichols at 45.50%; Penny Parcel (13 +/- acres) with George & Vicki Friese at 0.25%; Pichen Parcel (66.2 +/- acres) with Randy Gieske at 34.79%; Poblocki Parcel (52.5 +/- acres) with Tyke Nichols at 10.50%; Roth Parcel (16 +/- acres) with Rick Schoenbeck at 47.20%; Sass Parcel (19.32 +/- acres) with Nick Armbrust at 43.10%; G. Stade 2 Parcel (44.5 +/- acres) with Tim Watkins at
32.80%; Struve Parcel (9 +/- acres) with Travis Holian at 45%; Voss/TMK Parcel (141.25 +/- acres) with Ryan & Josh Sass at 44.50%; and Williams O'Leary (13.5 +/- acres) with Joe Henning at 32% per the District’s Farm Management Policy 7.02.04.

13.3 Discussion on Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Legal, Engineering, and Hospitality Services.

13.4 Discussion on 360 Degree Assessment.

14.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
14.1 Legislative Update
14.2 Project Update: ADA Improvements
14.3 Quarterly Dashboard - FY 2020 - QTR 2
14.4 Strategic Plan Update - Year 5 - QTR 2
14.5 In the News - FY 2020 - QTR 2
14.6 Project Status Report
14.7 McHenry County Conservation Foundation Update FY 2020 - QTR 2

15.0 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS
15.1 Trustee Reports on Conferences & Meetings Attended
   15.1a Fox River Ecosystem Partnership (FREP) - Trustee Campbell
   15.1b WRAP - Director of Land Preservation & Natural Resources Collins
   15.1c Chicago Wilderness - Executive Director Kessler
   15.1d McHenry County Farm Bureau - Trustee Fritz
   15.1e IACFPD/IAPD/NRPA - Executive Director Kessler
   15.1f McHenry County Conservation Foundation - Trustee Thomas
   15.1g McHenry County Council of Governments - President Scacci
   15.1h Green Drinks Crystal Lake - Trustee Campbell
   15.1i Conservation Congress 2020 - President Scacci & Vice President Brandt
   15.1j MCCG Shared Investment Study & Algonquin/Cary Subarea Plan Steering Committee - Executive Director Kessler
   15.1k MAPP - Director of Operations & Public Safety Kremer
   15.1l Other Outreach Contacts

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17.0 ADJOURNMENT
(Motion to adjourn or a motion to fix the time to which the Board shall adjourn to Thursday, November 7, 2019, 5:00 p.m., Brookdale Administrative Office if needed).
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