1.0 CALL TO ORDER
The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the McHenry County Conservation District was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Vice President Scacci on the evening of Thursday, July 18, 2019 at the Brookdale Administrative Offices, 18410 US Highway 14, Woodstock, Illinois 60098.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Vice President Scacci led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 INTRODUCTORY ROLL CALL
2.1 Roll Call
Trustees Present: Vern Scacci, Vice President
Dave Brandt, Secretary
Carolyn Campbell, Trustee
John Henning, Trustee
Benjamin Washow, Trustee
Patrick Fritz, Trustee Appointee

Trustees Absent: One Successor Trustee Vacancy (2019-2024) pending appointment by County Board

Counsel & Staff Present: Robert Nowak, County Board Liaison
James D. Rock, Legal Counsel
Elizabeth S. Kessler, Executive Director
Andy Dylak, Director Administration & Finance
Ed Collins, Director Land Preservation & Natural Resources
Wendy Kummerer, Director Marketing & Communications
Anne Basten, Executive Assistant
Deb Chapman, Education Services Manager
Shawna Flavell, Director of Development/Executive Director
McHenry County Conservation Foundation
Laura King, Police Chief

Amy Peters, Planning Manager
Perry Weborg, Sites & Fleet Manager
Val Siler, Land Preservation Manager
Chris Zientko, Facilities Manager
Gabe Powers, Natural Resources Projects Coordinator
Jackie Bero, Volunteer Coordinator (Land Preservation & Natural Resources)

Others Present: William Howenstine, Conservation Champion, McHenry
Dave Miller, Conservation Champion, McHenry
Alice and Chuck Howenstine, McHenry
Patrick Miller, spouse and son, McHenry
Pat Lawlor, Marengo
4.0 **CONSERVATION ETHIC**
Trustee Campbell read Goal #6 and Vice President Scacci read Goal #2 aloud.

5.0 **CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE**
Secretary Brandt read the Conservation Stewardship Pledge introduction paragraph and Pledge No. 6 aloud.

6.0 **READING OF OATH & ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

6.1 **Oath of Office - Trustee Fritz**
Attorney Rock led Trustee Fritz through his oath of office before officially swearing him in.

6.2 **Nomination for President, Gift Ban Act Officer & Ethics Officer**
Vice President Scacci asked for nominations for President, Gift Ban Act Officer & Ethics Officer.
A motion was made by Trustee Henning, seconded by Trustee Fritz, to nominate Vern Scacci for the office of President, Gift Ban Act Officer & Ethics Officer. After two additional calls for nominations with no response, a roll call vote on the motion gave the following results: Henning-yes, Brandt-yes, Scacci-yes, Campbell-yes, Fritz-yes, Washow-yes.
Motion passed unanimously.
President Scacci was congratulated.

6.3 **Nomination for Vice President**
President Scacci asked for nominations for Vice President.
A motion was made by President Scacci, seconded by Trustee Brandt, to nominate Dave Brandt for the office of Vice President. After two additional calls for nominations with no response, a roll call vote on the motion gave the following results: Cambell-yes, Washow-yes, Henning-yes, Fritz-yes, Brandt-yes, Scacci-yes.
Motion passed unanimously.
Vice President Brandt was congratulated.

6.4 **Nomination for Treasurer**
President Scacci asked for nominations for Treasurer.
A motion was made by President Scacci, seconded by Trustee Campbell, to nominate John Henning for the office of Treasurer. After two additional calls for nominations with no response, a roll call vote gave the following results: Brandt-yes, Fritz-yes, Henning-yes, Campbell-yes, Washow-yes, Scacci-yes.
Motion passed unanimously.
Treasurer Henning was congratulated.

6.5 **Nomination for Secretary**
President Scacci asked for nominations for Secretary.
A motion was made by President Scacci, seconded by Treasurer Henning, to nominated Carolyn Campbell for the office of Secretary. After two additional calls for nominations with no response, a roll call vote gave the following results: Washow-yes, Henning-yes, Fritz-yes, Brandt-yes, Campbell-yes, Scacci-yes.
Motion passed unanimously.
Secretary Campbell was congratulated.

6.5 Trustee Outreach Assignments
President Scacci stated he would postpone appointments until all Trustee positions are filled.

6.7 Re-establishment of Finance & Administration Committee and Committee Appointments
President Scacci stated that he thought re-establishing the Finance & Administrative Committee would parallel the budget process and ensure this board is in sync with the County. Treasurer Henning stated he would like to start with at least one meeting a month and can cut back later if necessary. President Scacci asked Secretary Campbell and Trustee Fritz to serve on the Committee. Vice President Brandt asked to also sit on the committee and there was discussion about reviewing the financial items through the Committee of the Whole structure.

President Scacci stated that he would like the focus of the Committee of the Whole meetings to be on discussion of board consent agenda items to allow for thoughtful review before the issues are voted on. It was stated that anyone can attend a Finance & Administrative Committee meeting.

There was additional discussion about the need for a minimum of three meetings per month and about allowing for input from all Trustees by combining with the Committee of the Whole.

President Scacci would like to try this format for now.

A motion was made by Treasurer Henning, seconded by Trustee Fritz, to re-establish a Finance and Administration Committee. A roll call vote gave the following results: Campbell-yes, Washow-yes, Brandt-yes, Fritz-yes, Henning-yes, Scacci-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

7.0 PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS
7.1 Introduction of New Team Members
Director of Marketing and Communications Kummerer introduced Jackie Bero, the Volunteer Coordinator (Land Preservation & Natural Resources) who recently was upgraded to full time to accomplish additional services to the District. Executive Director Kessler highlighted the training certification program Ms. Bero is working on with the Morton Arboretum and which was recently presented to the Chicago Wilderness group for regional support.

7.2 Recognition of 2019 Conservation Champions
7.2a Dave Miller
President Scacci read the text of the article written about Mr. Miller and his volunteer efforts, the scientific value of his bird survey work and presented him with a plaque.

Conservation Champion Miller spoke about the tourism revenues derived from bird related activities and the honor of receiving this award.

7.2b William Howenstine
President Scacci read the text of the article written about Mr. Howenstine and his long history with the District governance, and presented him with a plaque.

Conservation Champion Howenstine thanked the Board of Trustees for the award and spoke about the history of the formation of the District and the original board members he served with: Art Baker, Dr. Buehler who brought him an American Chestnut seed, businessman Frank Fabbri, and Bob Fritz whom he considered a man of the earth. He then spoke about Kenneth Fiske, the first Executive Director.

The group took a short break to congratulate the first Conservation Champions.

8.0 TRUSTEE REPORT
President Scacci shared that he had seen Glacial Park Conservation Area highlighted on WTTW by a gentleman representing Openlands.

9.0 COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT
County Board Liaison Nowak reported that things have been fairly quiet. He congratulated the new officers of this board and welcomed Trustee Fritz. He noted that 40% of the landowners have applied for the Valley Hi rebate and encouraged any who haven’t filed yet, to do so before the July 30th deadline.

10.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT
President Scacci read a prepared statement on his proposal for changes for the Board meetings including: Reinstating the Finance Committee and planning out for at least the next two financial years; Reviewing ongoing projects and with the possibility of redirecting funding; adding a Committee of the Whole discussion in advance of a new regular meeting for approval of items; decreased staff required participation in Board meetings; and conduct a strategic review of vendors to make it more competitive. He also would like to have special strategic discussions, at least four per year, to explore ideas more deeply including: Private ventures on public land; Pichen property payments; establish a new committee to review current farming program (to include State and Federal agencies); and to increase revenues through non-traditional and traditional sources. The Board is currently working on a new appraisal process for evaluating the Executive Director position. He stated that the District has good people and great managers.

11.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS
Pat Lawlor of Marengo and Paddle the Kish, spoke about the piece of the Kishwaukee River east of Millstream and noted that the first canoe launch is in Boone County at the Boone County line. Their group is planning to apply for an IDNR 2020 Boat Access Area Development (BAAD) grant for the installation of a parking lot and a launch at Route 23 and the City of Marengo is willing to front the funds in order to bring paddlers in from other counties. They would like to add an additional floating launch upstream within the Deerpass subdivision which would be moved as necessary due to flooding issues. She asked for a letter of support from the District for the grant application.
12.0 BOARD BUSINESS - CONSENT AGENDA

12.1 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
12.1a June 6, 2019
12.1b June 20, 2019
12.1c June 6, 2019 - Executive Session
12.1d May 16, 2019 - Executive Session

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

12.3 Acceptance of the Investment Report for First Quarter FY 2020 as presented.


12.5 Resolution #19-40 authorizing the destruction of listed verbatim recordings of Executive Session meetings between July 2017 and December 2017, in compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

12.6 Authorize the Release of the listed Executive Session meeting minutes to the public domain in compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

12.7 Resolution #19-41 accepting the Natural Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2021 to FY 2025.

12.8 Resolution #19-42 amending Resolution #19-28 rescinding the award of the Joint Grassland Venture Lease at Stickney Run 1 (STR1 7.5 acres @ $25/acre) and Stickney Run 2 (STR2 29.9 acres @ $25.50) with Promise Equestrian Center, Elburn, IL and awarding and authorizing the Executive Director to execute the Joint Grassland Venture Lease Agreements to the second highest bidder Tom Berning of McHenry, IL from July 19, 2019 to December 1, 2021 (STR1 @ $21) and STR2 @ $21) as presented (BID #0419.08.01).

12.9 Affirming Change Order #4 extending the contracted deadline to October 1, 2019 with Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. of Huntley, IL for the asphalt resurfacing of the Prairie Trail Link and Region One Facilities Maintenance Shop Parking Lot (BID #0218.09.02 - CO4).


President Scacci asked that item 12.7 be pulled from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Executive Director Kessler made a clarification under Appendix E of the Personnel Policy & Procedure Manual regarding removal of the USERRA specific language and replacing it with a reference to the USERRA legislation. She also explained that in Chapter 7 - Employment conditions 7.15 that there are two levels of exempt employees defined and that a Level II exempt employee is eligible for overtime or can substitute compensatory time in lieu of overtime and that this is specific to the Police Sergeant job position.

A motion was made by Secretary Campbell, seconded by Vice President Brandt, to approve Board Business - Consent Agenda items 12.1 through 12.6 and 12.8 through 12.10 as stated above after being read aloud. A roll call vote gave the following results: Campbell-yes, Brandt-yes, Washow-yes, Henning-yes, Fritz-yes, Scacci-yes.

Motion passed unanimously.

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President Scacci stated that he is in support of the Natural Capital Improvement Plan but would like to see a discussion about the sources for the funding before adopting it. Secretary Campbell stated that if accepted, the Board of Trustee will have opportunities to review and reject or approve each item as it comes up for bidding, etc.

A motion was made by Treasurer Henning, seconded by Trustee Washow, to Table Resolution #19-41 accepting the Natural Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2021 to FY 2025 indefinitely. A roll call vote gave the following results: Henning-yes, Brandt-no, Fritz-yes, Campbell-no, Washow-yes, Scacci-yes.

Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 2.

13.0 OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

13.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of June 2019

13.1a Treasurer’s Internal Audit

It was noted that this item will move to the Finance & Administrative Committee in the future.

Director of Administration and Finance Dylak had provided the requested information from the previous meeting in writing which was shared with the Board of Trustees in advance. All items were in compliance with the purchasing policy and procedures.

It was requested that the following documents be pulled for review: M3566 Menards Crystal Lake - #2,620.04 and H6087 Home Depot Credit Services - $3,014.87.

13.1b Consideration to Approve the payment of Conserve FS as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the period ending June 30, 2019

A motion was made by Trustee Washow, seconded by Vice President Brandt, to authorize the payment of $1,312.15 to Conserve FS. A roll call vote gave the following results: Fritz-yes, Washow-yes, Campbell-yes, Henning-abstain, Brandt-yes, Scacci-yes.

Motion passed 5 to 0 with 1 abstention by Treasurer Henning.

13.1c Consideration to Approve the payment of the balance of bills as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending reports for the month ending June 30, 2019.

A motion was made by Trustee Washow, seconded by Trustee Fritz, to approve the payment of the balance of the bills as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending reports for the month ending June 30, 2019. A roll call vote gave the following results: Brandt-yes, Fritz-yes, Henning-yes, Campbell-yes, Washow-yes, Scacci-yes.

Motion passed unanimously.

13.2 2019 Property Tax Levy & Development of FY 2021 Budget

Executive Director Kessler stated that the Board of Trustees has already made a commitment to reduce the 2019 levy by the amount of the 2018 increase, less the small amount of revenue generated from new growth. She stated that the purpose of the discussion this evening is to provide direction on the general assumptions we will be using to prepare the FY 2021 Budget, as planning worksheets are scheduled to go out no later than August 1, 2019 to meet the accelerated budget timeline.
Director of Administration and Finance Dylak gave a presentation in order to provide a numeric understanding and the financial impacts of the 2019 levy reduction and the related FY 2022 budget challenges. He explained that the permanent revenue reduction creates an imbalance that does not self-correct and shared the expected operating deficits if there were no significant expense reductions or shifts in resources between operational areas.

Director of Administration and Finance Dylak explained the Forecast Assumptions for Revenues including estimated increases to EAV and an estimated decrease in New Development figures. He summarized that since 2008 the average annual increase in the District’s levy has been equal to .008%.

Reserves will be reduced through: transfer of funds to the CIP Fund; $297,000 for Pichen refinance loan service (if refinanced) in FY 2023; and operating deficits will be pulled from reserves. Director of Administration and Finance Dylak expects the farm lease revenue to continue to increase and used that in his revenue assumptions, as well as: wages will continue to increase by 2% annually; employee insurance costs will increase by at least 5%; IMRF rate is expected to increase; and there will be no additional new FT personnel. Based on all of these assumptions, personnel expenses will increase approximately 3.9%. All other expenses are expected to increase approximately 2% due to inflation and assuming no other operational reductions, the only place to consider cuts is to capital outlays. As such, he projected a FY2021 operating deficit of approximately ($238,254).

Director of Administration and Finance Dylak then covered several scenarios for the FY 2022 numbers in which he showed the impact of permanent 2019 levy reduction, recapturing the 2019 levy in 2020 using the base from the 2018 levy, new Development only, and maximum PTELL levy increases beginning with the 2019 levy with a permanent reduction taking maximum PTELL using the reduced 2019 levy as the base and which over time would result in an operating deficit of approximately ($441,938) with all other factors remaining the same. If the 2019 levy reduction is not made permanent and the maximum PTELL limits were levied in 2020-2022 using the 2018 levy as a base, the operating deficit could be reduced to only ($294,758) over the same time period. The last scenario presented showed the 2019 levy as permanent and limited levy increases over 2020-2022 to new development of an average of $39,000 and would result in an operation deficit of ($759,689) illustrating the urgent need to understand levy expectations.

For the FY 2022 budget planning purposes, there is a need to address the General Fund operational revenue shortfall of approximately: $320,000; $180,000 or $700,000 depending on the scenario. The Board will also need to address CAMP & NCIP funding strategies as well as the Pichen loan retirement/refinancing which is due December 31, 2021.

Staff is seeking input from the Board of Trustees as to how much they are willing to go into reserves to balance the budget. It was noted that this is the first year we are fully staffed and are not expecting any “surpluses” which were previously created by purposefully not filling or delaying the filling of vacant positions. We are also not expecting much to be reappropriated for projects as we are hopeful that outstanding projects will be completed in this fiscal year.

President Scacci would like the Finance and Administrative Committee to discuss this sooner rather than later.
A motion was made by Secretary Campbell, seconded by Trustee Washow, to move item 13.6 up to this part of the agenda. A voice vote resulted in all ayes. Motion passed unanimously.

13.6 Resolution #19-46 - Amending Resolution #18-35 Establishing the Regular Meeting dates of the Board of Trustees and Committees of the McHenry County Conservation District from August 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 and Discussion on Participation
Additional discussion centered on the timing of the meetings and whether the Finance and Administrative Committee would have set meeting dates. Consensus was reached that the Committee meetings could be called as Special Call meetings and that there may be more early on in the process. They also agreed that the consensus was that the Board of Trustees would be okay with the Committee giving staff direction.

A motion was made by Secretary Campbell, seconded by Treasurer Henning, to adopt Resolution #19-46 amending Resolution #18-35 establishing the regular meeting dates of the Board of Trustees and Committees of the McHenry County Conservation District from August 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. A roll call vote gave the following results: Fritz-yes, Washow-yes, Brandt-yes, Campbell-yes, Henning-yes, Scacci-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

13.3 Resolution #19-43 - City of Marengo & Paddle the Kish - Letter of Support for Illinois Department of Natural Resources Boating Access Area Development Grant Submittal
A motion was made by Vice President Brandt, seconded by Treasurer Henning, to adopt Resolution #19-43 authorizing the submittal of a Letter of Support for an Illinois Department of Natural Resources Boating Access Area Development Grant for the development of a parking area and paddle launch in Marengo on the Kishwaukee River. A roll call vote gave the following results: Henning-yes, Brandt-yes, Fritz-yes, Campbell-yes, Washow-yes. Scacci-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

13.4 Resolution #19-44 Authorization of travel expenditures for the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) 2019 Conference in Baltimore, Maryland for the Executive Director at a cost not to exceed $1,500
A motion was made by Vice President Brandt, seconded by Secretary Campbell, to adopt Resolution #19-44 authorizing travel expenditures for the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) 2019 Conference in Baltimore, Maryland for the Executive Director at a cost not to exceed $1,500. A roll call vote gave the following results: Fritz-yes, Washow-yes, Campbell-yes, Henning-yes, Brandt-yes, Scacci-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

13.5 Executive Director Performance Appraisal Form
President Scacci explained that a new form is being sought so that the criteria can be determined. Several different forms were submitted for consideration. President Scacci asked that Trustees submit their recommendations to him no later than August 5, 2019.
14.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

14.1 FY 2016-2020 Strategic Plan - First Quarter Status Report - Year 5
14.2 Project Update: ADA Improvements
14.3 Dashboard - First Quarter FY 2020
14.4 In the News - First Quarter FY 2020
14.5 McHenry County Conservation Foundation Quarterly Report & Strategic Plan
14.6 Legislative Update - Verbal Report
14.7 New - Project Tracking Timeline - First Quarter FY 2020

Executive Director Kessler reviewed the new Project Tracking Timeline format. She noted where the information related to grant funding could be found and that some grant related projects can be on multiple years of the project list due to the long delays involved with grant project funding and payout. She used the example of the LVVC entrance road being funded by DECA and that different costs may show up on different years as the projects near completion.

Treasurer Henning requested that the axis be changed to allow for scrolling down rather than from side to side.

Secretary Campbell requested that vehicle replacements be removed and that changes be highlighted in yellow so when reviewed in the future, they can go directly to updates first and then can still review the full list at their leisure.

14.8 Building Demolition Priorities

Treasurer Henning asked about the status of the silo on Route 20 and his concerns about liability and to verify that staff has addressed the concerns. Facilities Maintenance Manager Zientko stated that his inspection showed that the structure was stable but leaning and will take a deeper look and will regularly monitor it. There was additional discussion about the process followed by the patrol officers in monitoring the buildings on the demolition list.

14.9 ComEd Rebate Program

Executive Director Kessler again thanked Trustee Washow for sharing information on this program allowing the District to save money on upgrades and make the upgrades on an accelerated schedule.

Executive Director Kessler reported that the following items had been set aside at the Direction of President Scacci and Treasurer Henning for discussion at the first Finance & Administrative Committee meeting:
- Request from Fox Waterway Agency for financial support.
- Request for tax abatement through the City of McHenry for Jessup Manufacturing.
- Shared services request through the McHenry County Sheriff’s office and Marine Patrol.
- Cost savings to be obtained by abandoning/vacating unsafe and underutilized trails at two locations as recommended by Operations and Public Safety Division staff: Highlands Floating Boardwalks and West Lake Trail at the Hollows Conservation Area. The plan is to sign the area informing the public that these amenities will be abandoned/vacated at the end of the season.

Executive Director Kessler thanked the Board for their support of her travel to the NRPA conference in September. She also noted that IT Specialist/Administrative Assistant Michael had applied for a scholarship to the national GMIS conference in
Florida for the end of August and that the remaining cost of $475 did not require board approval but wanted to bring it to the board’s attention.

The dedication of the Brookdale Conservation Area horse trailer parking lot was scheduled for the coming Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 10 am but they were expecting it to be too hot for a trail ride and encouraged Trustees to attend.

McHenry County Fair 2019 was at the end of the month. Due to several factors, including budget constraints, staff is recommending to not participate this year. The consensus of the Board of Trustees agreed with the staff recommendation.

McHenry County Bike Share updated the District that there are 44 registered members on the app so far and that there have been four (4) trips out of Richmond where the District’s sponsored Zagster bike station is located.

Executive Director Kessler also reported that as of August 17, 2019 there had been over 400 tickets sold for the Great Outdoors Beer Trail event with 115 of those sold through Facebook.

The National Night Out is August 6, 2019 and our Officers will be located at the event in Peterson Park in McHenry.

County Board Liaison Nowak reported that the County Board voted to waive 50% of the County’s share of the increased taxes related to the Jessup Manufacturing request but did not waive the full amount.

15.0 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORT
15.1 Trustee Reports on Conferences & Meetings Attended
15.1a Fox River Ecosystem Partnership (FREP)
Trustee Campbell reported that she was not able to attend the picnic due to the conflict with the WRAP meeting.

15.1b Water Resource Action Plan (WRAP)
Director of Land Preservation and Natural Resources Collins reported that there had been three (3) presentations covering: Water Pollution and Prevention (Rick Cobb, IEPA); Waste Water Treatment Systems (Jeff Freeman, Engineering Enterprises, Inc.) and Contaminants and Water Quality Treatment (Kristin Lodygowski, Water Quality Association).

15.1c Chicago Wilderness
Executive Director Kessler reported that the last meeting was held at the Indiana Dunes National Park where their rebranding was highlighted as well as the erosion in the area. The Chicago Wilderness group is focusing on adding agricultural communities to the table, as well as working on economic development through trails. She noted that Volunteer Coordinator-LPNR Bero had given a presentation on standardizing volunteer stewardship training across the region.

15.1d McHenry County Farm Bureau
Treasurer Henning and Trustee Fritz did not attend.

15.1e IACFPD/IAPD/NRPA
Executive Director Kessler would send out information on the August meeting once it becomes available for the IACFPD.
15.1f **McHenry County Conservation Foundation**  
Vice President Brandt reported that the Foundation Board was focused on membership and supporting members. The next meeting is August 13, 2019.

15.1g **McHenry County Council of Governments**  
President Scacci and Secretary Campbell had attended where the presentation was by Congresswoman Lauren Underwood’s District Director and President Scacci was seated at the dinner table with the speaker who had only been working with the Congresswoman for a short time.

15.1h **Green Drinks Crystal Lake**  
Trustee Campbell reported that there had been no meeting due to the Independence Day Holiday.

15.1i **Conservation Congress 2020**  
President Scacci reported that he will meet with Executive Director Kessler to establish the committee members. Marketing and Communications Manager Kummerer was negotiating the speaker contract and the budget for the 2020 Conservation Congress will be forwarded to the Trustees.

15.1j **MCCG Shared Investment Study & Algonquin/Cary Subarea Plan Steering Committee**  
Executive Director Kessler reported that there was nothing new to report.

15.1k **MAPP**  
Executive Director Kessler reported that no staff had attended the meeting earlier this same date.

15.1l **Other Outreach Contacts**  
Treasurer Henning and President Scacci reported that they had met with County Board Chairman Franks to reconfirm that the previous verbal agreement related to the 2019 Property Tax Levy and Appropriations Ordinance was still the desired direction. They reported that there was one other issue that they were following up on and would report at a later date.

16.0 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
At 8:23 p.m., a motion was made by Vice President Brandt, seconded by Secretary Campbell, to go into Executive Session pursuant to Exception 2C1 (Personnel), 2C2 (Collective Bargaining), 2C11 (Pending Litigation), and 2C21 (Review of Closed Session Minutes) of the Open Meetings Act. A roll call vote gave the following results: Brandt-yes, Fritz-yes, Henning-yes, Campbell-yes, Washow-yes, Scacci-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

17.0 **RECONVENE**  
The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the McHenry County Conservation District was reconvened to order at 9:30 p.m. by Vice President Scacci on the evening of Thursday, July 18, 2019 at the Brookdale Administrative Offices, 18410 US Highway 14, Woodstock, Illinois 60098.
17.1 Roll Call
Trustees Present: Vern Scacci, Vice President
dave brandt, Secretary
carolyn campbell, Trustee
john henning, Trustee
Benjamin Waschow, Trustee
Patrick Fritz, Trustee appointee

Trustees Absent: One successor trustee vacancy (2019-2024) pending appointment by county board

Counsel & Staff Present: James D. Rock, Legal Counsel
Elizabeth S. Kessler, Executive Director
Anne Basten, Executive Assistant

18.0 Action on Items Out of Executive Session & Related Issues
18.1 Collective Bargaining Agreement - Local 150
A motion was made by Vice President Brandt, seconded by Treasurer Henning, to adopt Resolution #19-45 authorizing the execution of a 3-Year Collective Bargaining Agreement (April 1, 2019 to March 30, 2021) with the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150 as presented. A roll call vote gave the following results: Henning-yes, Brandt-yes, Campbell-yes, Fritz-yes, Waschow-yes, Sacci-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

19.0 Public Comments II
There were no public comments.

20.0 Adjourn
A motion was made by Trustee Waschow, seconded by Trustee Fritz, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote resulted in all ayes.
Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m. July 18, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Campbell, Secretary

Date 8-22-19