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NOTICE TO ALL MCHENRY COUNTY MEDIA

MEETING NOTICE

(December 17, 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 Thursday, December 19, 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.



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MCHENRY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DECEMBER 19, 2019
5:00 P.M.
BROOKDALE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

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 #2: To acquire and maintain other wildland, scenic areas, and open spaces for conservation purposes, and for educational and recreational use.

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. 11: We will manage public lands through science and in a manner that is responsive and resilient to a changing climate.

- 6.0 ADOPT THE AGENDA
- 7.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITION PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS
 - 7.1 Resolution #19-87 Recognizing the Retirement of Education Outreach Coordinator Mary Kozub
 - 7.2 Critical Incident - Special Recognition
 - 7.2a Resolution #19-88 Recognizing McHenry County Conservation District Police Personnel with a Proclamation of Commendation for Excellence in Service
 - 7.2c Resolution #19-89 Recognizing McHenry County Law Enforcement Agencies: McHenry County Sheriff's Office, McHenry County SWAT, Crystal Lake Police Department, Crystal Lake Park District Police Department, Woodstock Police Department and McHenry County College Police Department for Mutual Aid Assistance
 - 7.3 Illinois Nature Preserves Commission Proposal - Steven Byers

8.0 TRUSTEES REPORT

9.0 COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT

10.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

11.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS I

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

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 November 18, 2019 - Trustee Orientation Morning
 - 12.1b November 18, 2019 - Trustee Orientation Afternoon
 - 12.1c November 21, 2019 - Committee of the Whole
 - 12.1d November 26, 2019 - Regular Session Minutes
 - 12.1e October 17, 2019 - Executive Session
- 12.2 Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report for November 30, 2019 as presented.
- 12.3 Second Reading. Ordinance #19-967 amending the Personal Policy and Procedural Manual.
- 12.4 Second Reading. Ordinance #19-968 amending the Rules and Regulations Governing the Use of the Conservation Sites of the District and Ordinance #19-969 governing the enforcement of the General Use Ordinance (#19-968) and establishing fines and penalties for violations of said rules and regulations.
- 12.5 Resolution #19-90 authorizing the execution and submittal of Final Dedication Documents to the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission to

dedicate a portion of Lake in the Hills Fen Conservation Area as an Illinois Nature Preserve buffer.

- 12.6 Resolution #19-91 appointing Dennis Dreher (2020-2023) and Martie Gorman (2020-2023) as Directors to the McHenry County Conservation Foundation.
 - 12.7 Resolution #19-92 authorizing the Executive Director to execute and submit a grant application to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Park and Recreational Facility Construction Grant Program (PARC) to assist in funding the construction of the replacement retaining wall at Lost Valley Visitor Center in Glacial Park Conservation Area.
 - 12.8 Resolution #19-93 authorizing the Executive Director execute a one-year contract extension renewal with Hagg Press of Elgin, IL for the printing and mailing of the District's Landscape Magazine at the proposed unit costs of \$7,563 issue (24 pages/20,000 copies), \$378.14 additional 1,000 copies, \$400 additional 4 pages and \$2,283 for 6-page gate fold.
 - 12.9 Resolution #19-94 authorizing the Executive Director to execute the agriculture lease agreements on the Geever Parcel (120.15 +/- Acres) and the Konopasek Parcel (83.31 +/- Acres) located at Brookdale Conservation Area with the highest responsive bidder for the term of three (3) Years and the Martini Parcel (74 +/- Acres) Martini Parcel located at Goose Lake Conservation Area with the highest responsive bidder for the term of one (1) year (BID #1019.08.01).
 - 12.10 Authorization to prepare specifications and securing of bids to secure a Land Preservation and Natural Resource Division Joint Grassland Venture grassland management lease on the North Branch 3 Parcel (80 +/- Acres) located at the North Branch Conservation Area.
 - 12.11 Authorization to negotiate terms on the Joint Grassland Venture leases that begin with the 2020 crop year with current lease holders: Alden Sedge Meadow (10 +/- Acres) - Spiniolas, Brad; Alden Sedge Meadow West (3.1 +/- Acres) - Nichols, Tyke; Fox Bluff (7.8 +/- Acres) - Berning, Tom; Hickory Grove (12.2 +/- Acres) - Berning, Tom; Rush Creek (16.2 +/- Acres) - Nichols, Tyke; Rush Creek (26 +/- Acres) - Nichols, Tyke.
- 13.0 NEW & UNFINISHED BOARD BUSINESS
- 13.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of October 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 November 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 November 30, 2019
 - 13.2 Consideration of Resolution #19-95 in compliance with PA 101-0221 incorporating language in the District's Personnel Policy & Procedural Manual under Appendix H regarding the handling of complaints by a Trustee against another Trustee.
 - 13.3 Discussion of the District's options related to the method of selection of trustees, legislative changes that might be necessary to change how the trustees are selected and how the District's budget is approved, and other legislative changes that may be beneficial to the District.

14.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS II

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15.0 ADJOURNMENT

(Motion to adjourn or a motion to fix the time to which the Board shall adjourn to Thursday, January 2, 2020, 5:00 p.m., Brookdale Administrative Office if needed).

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