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NOTICE TO ALL MCHENRY COUNTY MEDIA  
MEETING NOTICE

(October 18, 2022) 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 25, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be available to the public in-person and via live online conferencing. The information for remotely accessing the meeting is on the agenda at [www.MCCDistrict.org](http://www.MCCDistrict.org) in the Transparency Portal.

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MCHENRY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OCTOBER 25, 2022  
5:00 P.M.

BROOKDALE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES and ZOOM COMMUNICATIONS PLATFORM

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA WILL BE POSTED TO THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE AT MCCDistrict.org

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VIDEO CONFERENCE

<https://zoom.us>; Meeting ID is 873 5639 7426; Password: 357158

1.0 CALL TO ORDER - President Cook

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 #4: To interpret and to promote the overall significance of natural and cultural resources and to promote public understanding and support of District land management practices.

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. 5: We will work vigilantly to influence the health and well-being of our county.

6.0 ADOPT THE AGENDA

7.0 INTRODUCTIONS/PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

7.1 Introduction of New Team Members

7.1a Arturo Diaz, Police Administrative Coordinator

7.1b Jennifer Oliver, PLA, Landscape Architect

7.1c Fernando Hernandez, Restoration Ecologist

7.1d Brendan Smith, Habitat Technician

7.2 Recognition of Stephanie Michael, IT Systems Administrator on becoming a Certified Park and Recreation Professional

7.3 Illinois Association of Park District's Best of the Best - Intergovernmental Collaboration Award: St. Charles Park District, Illinois Nature Preserves Commission, Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Forest Preserve District of Cook County, and McHenry County Conservation District -

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 July 15, 2021 - Committee of the Whole - Executive Session - Amended

12.1b August 18, 2022 - Committee of the Whole - Executive Session

12.1c September 12, 2022 - Committee of the Whole

12.1d September 15, 2022 - Regular Meeting

12.1e September 27, 2022 - Special Call Meeting

12.2 Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report

12.2a Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report for September 30, 2022, as presented.

12.2b Acceptance of the Investment Report - FY 2023 - QTR 2

12.3 Resolution #22-79, a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Site Use Agreement with the McHenry County Snowmobile Association, Huntley Penguins, and Marengo Snowgoers for the 2022-2023 Winter Season (December 10, 2022 to March 15, 2023).

- 12.4 Resolution #22-80, a Resolution authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Marengo Township Road District for the procurement of road salt for the 2022-2023 Winter Season.
- 12.5 Resolution #21-81, a Resolution authorizing the grant agreement for five (5) additional FLOCK cameras with the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Northern and Middle States Rural Law Enforcement Training and Technical Assistance Grant Program for a total of \$25,000.
- 12.6 Resolution #22-82, a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Conservation Grazing Lease Agreement for rotational goat grazing operation at Queen Anne Prairie Conservation Area (QAP1 - 4.5 +/- acres) to Katherine Sims and David Sims, Jr., for a period of three years from November 1, 2022 to December 1, 2025 (RFP #0922.00.01).
- 12.7 Resolution #22-83, a Resolution awarding a contract to the lowest qualified bidders of Prairie Moon Nursery of Winona, MN (\$38,429.27), Shooting Star Native Seeds of Spring Grove, MN (\$27,727.09), Spence Restoration Nursery of Muncie, IN (\$22,254.83), Agrecol LLC of Evansville, WI (\$9,249.90), Genesis Nursery, Inc. of Tampico, IL (\$2,921.25), and Cardno, Inc. of Walkerton, IN (\$924.00) for a total cost not to exceed \$101,506.34 for the completion of seeding projects on approximately 146 acres of various habitats for standard mixes and Natural Resource Special Revenue account projects within conservation areas (BID #0822.08.01)
- 12.8 Resolution #22-84, a Resolution authorizing the disposal of listed excess equipment and office items through a public on-line auction with Obenauf Auction Services, Inc. of Round Lake, IL.
- 12.9 Resolution #22-85, a Resolution ratifying the Executive Director's execution of a contract with Constellation New Energy of Houston TX, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for the Electric Service at fifteen (15) District Sites for an amount not to exceed \$.0.09897 per kilowatt hour for one year beginning November 2022 (BID #0222.07.01-RA).
- 12.10 Resolution #22-86, a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute the agreement documents with Illinois Fire Service Institute (IFSI) to provide both the S-130 Field Day and S-219 Ignition Operations Trainings.
- 12.11 Resolution #22-87, a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute the listed agricultural leases with terms beginning March 1, 2023 on fourteen (14) parcels containing approximately 898 +/- acres: Alden Sedge Meadow (ASM-11613 - 210 +/- acres) to Tim Nichols at 0.33%; Alden Sedge Meadow (ASM-10845 - 74 +/- acres) to Tim Nichols at 0.33%; Alden Sedge Meadow (ASM-11138 - 50 +/- acres) to Jim Nichols at 0.35%; Alden Sedge Meadow (ASM-11613 - 165.5 +/- acres) to Craig Spiniolas at 0.50%; Barber Fen (BAR-2240 - 28.75 +/- acres) to Grant DeYoung at 0.34%; Barber Fen (BAR-2437 - 11.81 +/- acres) to Grant DeYoung at 0.34%; Winding Creek/Bailey Woods (BAW-11045 - 16 +/- acres) to Rick Schoenbeck at 0.30%; Brookdale (BRD-10244 - 117.39 +/- acres) to Robert Haraden at 0.30%; Brookdale (BRD-1096 - 83.31 +/- acres) to Robert Haraden at 0.31%; Brookdale (BRD-11475 - 38.40 +/- acres) to Robert Haraden at 0.26%; Glacial Park (GLP-1641 - 9 +/- acres) to Travis Holian at 0.45%; Kloempken Prairie (KLP-9273 - 52.6 +/- acres) to Jim and Rita Hennig at 0.25%; Lind Woods (LIW-887 - 30 +/- acres) to Grant DeYoung at 0.34%; Marengo Ridge (MAR-10126 - 12 +/- acres) to George and Vickie Freise at 0.25%.
- 12.12 Resolution #22-88, a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to execute the listed Joint Grassland Venture Leases with terms beginning March 1, 2023 on ten (10) parcels containing approximately 502 +/- acres: Glacial Park (GLP-8841 - 52.5 +/- acres) to Tyke Nichols at \$50/acre; Glacial

Park (GLP-H-01 - 14.5+/- acres) to Travis Holian at \$50/acre; Hickory Grove (HIC-01 - 12.2+/- acres) to Tom Berning at \$20/acre; Lind Woods (LIW-12572 - 60.9+/- acres) to Tyke Nichols at \$55/acre; Lind Woods (LIW-9643 - 44.5+/- acres) to Casey Watkins at \$50/acre; North Branch (NOB-03 - 85.3+/- acres) to Tyke Nichols at \$77/acre; Pleasant Valley (PLV-05 - 187.92+/- acres) to Joe and Beth Clarke at \$35/acre; Rush Creek (RUC-01 - 16.2+/- acres) to David Laufer at \$23/acre; Rush Creek (RUC-1036 - 20.3+/- acres) to Chris McKee at \$50/acre; and Stickney Run (STR-02 - 8+/- acres) to Tom Berning at \$21/acre.

- 12.13 Authorization to prepare specifications and let bids to secure Joint Grassland Venture leasing of 10.6 +/- acres on the AGP-03 parcel at Alden Gap Conservation Area (BID #1022.08.01).
- 12.14 Authorization to prepare specifications and let bids to secure Joint Grassland Venture leasing of 7.8 +/- acres on the FXB-01 parcel at Fox Bluff Conservation Area (BID #1022.08.02).
- 12.15 Authorization to prepare specifications and let bids to secure Joint Grassland Venture leasing of 27.5 +/- acres on the PLV-01 parcel at Pleasant Valley Conservation Area (BID #1022.08.03).
- 12.16 Resolution #22-89, a Resolution approving a First Amendment to Employment Agreement between McHenry County Conservation District and Executive Director Elizabeth Kessler.
- 12.17 Resolution #22-90, a Resolution authorizing the purchase of six (6) replacement vehicles directly from the Illinois State Bid Purchasing Contract for a total cost not to exceed \$291,000 (BID #21-416CMS-P-29479).

### 13.0 OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

- 13.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of September 2022
  - 13.1a Treasurer's Internal Audit
  - 13.1b Consideration to approve the payment of bills as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the month ending September 30, 2022.

### 14.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 14.1 Legislative Update - Verbal Report
- 14.2 Strategic Plan Update - Year 3 - QTR 2
- 14.3 Project Status Report
- 14.4 Quarterly Dashboard - FY 2023 - QTR 2
- 14.5 In the News - FY 2023 - QTR 2
- 14.6 McHenry County Conservation Foundation Update FY 2023 - QTR 2
- 14.7 Letters of Support
  - 14.7a Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Letter of Support - Village of Cary, Village of Port Barrington, Algonquin Township Road District, Nunda Township Road District - Rawson Bridge Bikeway Project.
  - 14.7b McHenry County Division of Transportation - Owner with Jurisdiction Concurrence Letter - Determination of de minimus impact for Section 4(f) Resource - Glacial Park Conservation Area West Solon Road Bridge (FAU 165) Reconstruction Project over North Branch Nippersink Creek Section No. 19-00510-00-BR, McHenry County.

### 15.0 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS

- 15.1 Trustee Reports on Conferences & Meetings Attended

16.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS II

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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 3, 2022, 5:00 p.m., Brookdale Administrative Office if needed).

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