

# KANE-DUPAGE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## Board Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2022

**Call to order** –Chairman Fabrizius called the meeting to order at 7:06 a.m. at 2315 Dean Street, Suite 100, St Charles, IL. Board members present were: Pauling, Konen and Quinn. Soliz was absent. Staff members present were: Hagen-Moeller, McPartlan, Monreal, and Shroder. Rankin was absent. We had one guest as well: Eric Carlson was present.

**Approval of Agenda – Motion** made by Pauling to approve the agenda and seconded by Konen; and **motion carried.**

**Approval of Minutes – Motion** made by Pauling to accept the meeting minutes with one amendment (the time sheets were not tabled,) from May 12, 2022 and seconded by Konen; and **motion carried.**

**Public Comment:** none.

**Time Sheets: Motion** to approve made Konen by and seconded by Pauling; and **motion carried.**

**LUO Review: Motion** made by Konen to approve LUOs **22-037 to 22-055, but excluding 22-046 and 22-052** seconded by Quinn; and **motion carried.** Board members would like to include a disclaimer on predeveloped soils in the soil survey in all LUOs going forward.

**Correspondence:** none

### **Staff Reports:**

**Administrative Coordinator** – (see attached.)

**Resource Conservationist** – (see attached.) McPartlan gave an update on the O’Hare invoicing situation. He discussed some of the farmers he has potential cost-share projects with. He mentioned a meeting with Janice Hill where they talked about the conservation projects she is partnering with us. He also discussed the situation at the site on the northeast corner of Rt 64 and Rt 47.

**Resource Analyst** – (see attached.)

**Resource Assistant** – (see attached.)

**Office Assistant** – (see attached.)

**District Conservationist** –Felicia Speranske talked about her learning and training. She talked about CRP status reviews, new enrollments, CREP program changes, and that she will be on leave at the end of June. Rebecca Briggs mentioned that she just got back from leave, and talked about two conservation plans in Kane County. Briggs talked about a hi-tech system available through Precision Conservation Management (Alexa Rutherford) that helps farmers manage how much nitrogen they use. CSP could help pay for this system. The last item she talked about was the situation of the broken refrigerator in the office. FSA purchased the original refrigerator, but since they are no longer located in this office, does the burden fall on NRCS? Briggs asked the board if they would like to buy a new one or if they wanted her to ask her boss at NRCS. The board asked if she would talk to NRCS about it.

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**Board Action Items:**

**Motion** to approve the FY23 Annual Plan of Work and the FY23 Budget was made by Quinn, and seconded by Konen and **motion carried**. During a discussion of the Annual Plan of Work, board members discussed the associate directors rolls and asked Eric Carlson if he would be interested in participating as an associate director. Mr. Carlson agreed.

**Motion** to approve the expense of sending board members and staff to the Summer Conference was made by Konen and seconded by Quinn and **motion carried**.

**Financial report and current bills** – Hagen-Moeller mentioned we got the IDOA money and how it impacted the financials. **Motion** made by Konen to accept financial report and pay current bills seconded by Quinn; and **motion carried**.

**Personnel Committee:** none.

**Agriculture Committee:** none.

**Legislative Committee:** none.

**Urban Manual:** McPartlan mentioned that he is speaking at the Summer Conference on the topic of the Illinois Urban Manual.

**Outreach/Marketing Committee:** none.

**Grants:** none.

**New Business:** Discussion followed of the AISWCD meeting action – without a quorum – which resulted in the AISWCD increasing the association dues from 3% to 5%. McHenry-Lake SWCD has proposed a resolution regarding new procedure for how that kind of increase will be voted on in future. **Motion** to support the resolution was made by Quinn, and seconded by Pauling, and **motion carried**.

**Old Business:** none.

**Motion** made at 9:04 a.m. by Konen and seconded by Pauling to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues; and **motion carried**.

**Motion** made by Konen and seconded by Pauling to leave executive session and return to the regular meeting; and **motion carried**.

**Motion** made by Pauling and seconded by Quinn to approve what was decided in executive session; and **motion carried**.

**Motion** made by Pauling and seconded by Quinn to adjourn at 9:20 a.m.; and **motion carried**.

Respectfully submitted,

William Pauling  
Secretary/Treasurer

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