

KANE-DUPAGE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board Meeting – June 9, 2016

Call to order –Chairman Fabrizious called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room at 2315 Dean St., Suite 100, St. Charles, IL. Board members present were: Fabrizious, Pauling, Soliz, Konen and Womack. Staff members present were: Hagen-Moeller, Curran, Morgan, Rospopo, intern Landon Baumgartner and Shroder. Rankin was absent.

Approval of Agenda - Motion made by Soliz to approve the agenda and seconded by Pauling, and **motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes – Motion made by Konen to approve the May 12, 2016 board meeting minutes and seconded by Womack, and **motion carried.**

Time Sheets - Motion made by Konen to approve the time sheets, and seconded by Soliz, and **motion carried.**

LUO review – Motion made by Soliz to approve LUO 16-002, and 16-038 thru 16-043, seconded by Womack, and **motion carried.**

Staff Reports

Administrative Coordinator report – (see attached) Hagen-Moeller discussed the predicament of Becky Morgan’s insurance situation. Since we are switching over to a new insurance it seems impractical to sign Becky up for one month on the old system. It was agreed that we will give Morgan a stipend worth one month of paying on the old insurance so her mother can carry her on that insurance until we can put Morgan into the new system in July.

Resource Conservationist report – (see attached). Curran talked about progress in training Morgan.

Resource Analyst report (see attached). Fabrizious submitted Morgan’s name for an NRCS national training in Nebraska for 2 ½ weeks, all expenses paid for a Conservation Boot Camp. There are not a lot of candidates for this so we are hoping she will get the training. The first session is from July 12-28th which coincides with Summer Conference. There are two further opportunities if that one doesn’t work, on Aug 16- Sept 1 and from Sept 13-29th.

1st Office Assistant report – (see attached).

2nd Office Assistant – (see attached).

District Conservationist – (see attached)

Board Action Items

- Motion made by Soliz to allow Fabrizious, Hagen-Moeller, Curran and Morgan to work out details to send Morgan to the NRCS Boot Camp, was seconded by Womack and **motion carried.**
- Motion made by Womack to approve the LUO policy change, was seconded by Soliz, and **motion carried.**
- Motion made by Pauling to approve the FY17 Annual Plan of Work, was seconded by Konen, and **motion carried.**
- Motion made by Womack to approve the FY17 Budget was seconded by Pauling and **motion carried.**
- Motion on the Prevailing Wage ordinance asked by Soliz to be tabled, was seconded by Pauling, and **motion carried.**
- Motion by Pauling to drop CMS insurance and approve new health, dental and vision package for employees was seconded by Konen and **motion carried.**

- Motion by Soliz to approve one board member and up to two staff members to attend summer conference, not to exceed \$400 was seconded by Konen and **motion carried**.

Financial report and current bills – Motion made by Soliz to accept financial report and pay current bills, was seconded by Konen, and **motion carried**.

Discussion followed on moving the CD that matures June 9th, to a different bank with more interest. Pauling was provided with the report created by Shroder on which banks had what interest rates and other pertinent policies.

Then discussion followed on which car would be good to look for to replace the Escape which is not rated highly for safety by Consumer Reports. Hagen-Moeller showed the board a copy of Consumer Reports that Rankin had provided. Options included: Subaru Forester, Toyota Rav4, Toyota Highlander, Ford Edge. Also discussed were the Hyundai Tuscon, Nissan Rogue and Mazda CX5. Gas mileage is important as well as safety.

Fabrizius also asked that a depreciation schedule be provided in the next month's financial report. Hagen-Moeller suggested providing this in conjunction with the fiscal review.

Committee Reports

Personnel none.

Urban Fabrizio discussed the Urban Manual work and the dissatisfaction of AISWCD board with the work so far produced.

Agriculture Discussion of how rains have washed into the sewer system even though there are filters in place to prevent this. The filters are not being cleaned and maintained after rains. There really isn't any interest on construction sites to maintain them so significant amounts of top soil are being lost with each event.

Legislative Fabrizio discussed the probability that there will not be any funding at all of FY16 for any District in the state. The likelihood of funding for FY17 is only \$4 mil. to be divided between the 96 Districts. All the resolutions put forward so far to the AISWCD will go forward to the Summer Conference. Discussion followed on the state of the complaints to the AG office on the OMA violations.

Old Business Curran wants to re-negotiate our hourly wage at O'Hare. The rate has been the same for many years.

New Business none.

Motion made by Soliz and seconded by Womack to adjourn the board meeting at 9:12 p.m., and **motion carried**.

Respectfully submitted,

William Pauling
Secretary/Treasurer

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