Call to order - Vice Chairman Konen called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room at 2315 Dean St., Suite 100, St. Charles, IL. Board members present were: Quinn, Soliz, Pauling, and Konen. Fabrizius arrived at 5:00 p.m. Staff members present were: Hagen-Moeller, McPartlan, West, Bramstedt, and Rankin. Rospopo was absent. Guests included Fletcher of A5, and Janice Hill Kane County.

Approval of Agenda - Motion made by Soliz to approve the agenda and seconded by Konen; and motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 board meeting was made by Pauling and seconded by Konen; and motion carried.

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

LUO Review - Motion made by Soliz to approve LUO's 19-099 and 19-102 through 19-109, and seconded by Konen; and motion carried.

Public Comment - Fletcher from A5 presented our logo and how it would appear on letterhead, business cards, and envelopes. The board approved Option C, with a few modifications. Next step is to prepare a news release and a vehicle to launch the new logo.

Bramstedt presented new and old versions of our LUO report to show the difference in rating structure. Bramstedt will present the criteria and policy at our February board meeting and we will begin to use the new report template.

Janice Hill, Kane County, was present to give an update on the grant programs. Kane County was not awarded the Conservation Innovation Grant. Hill discussed the Five Star Grant Program application and invited Kane-DuPage to partner with them. Hill asked for a contribution of $10,000.00 which can be a combination of cash and in-kind services. The grant deadline is January 30th, 2020.

Correspondence: Hemp Workshop February 27, 2020 at Farm Bureau.

Staff Reports:

Administrative Coordinator – (see attached.) Crop Cover Seminar, January 23rd, 2020.

Resource Conservationist – (see attached).

Resource Analyst – (see attached.)

Resource Assistant – (see attached.)

Office Assistant – (see attached).
Board Action Items:

Motion made by Soliz and seconded by Konen for a contribution of $8,000.00 in cash and $2,000.00 in-kind services to the Five Star Grant Program submitted by Kane County, and motion carried.

Motion made by Konen and seconded by Quinn to approve the sponsorship of the Fox Valley Sustainability Network in the amount of $250.00, and motion carried.

Motion made by Konen and seconded by Pauling to approve the $100.00 sponsorship for One Earth Film Festival, and motion carried.

Financial report and current bills – Motion made by Pauling to accept financial report and pay current bills seconded by Quinn, and motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Personnel – None

Urban – None

Agriculture – None

Legislative – None

Grants – None

Land Use Opinions - None

Old Business – Looking for keynote speaker for the seminar that Soliz and Hagen-Moeller are working on. Joe Bybee, Spring Duffey, Elizabeth Hagen-Moeller and Maggie Soliz had a conference call on Jan. 9, 2020 and are meeting the week of the 13th of January to prioritize how to get other LUC’s involved. Audience will be farming community and general public to educate them on regenerative practices.

Rebecca Osland will be invited to the February board meeting.

New Business:

Motion made by Quinn and seconded by Soliz to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

William Pauling
Secretary/Treasurer