

KANE\_DUPAGE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Board Meeting Notes – June 12, 2025

Call to order - Chairman Konen called meeting to order at 6:00 pm, at 2315 Dean Street, Suite 100, St. Charles, IL. Directors present: Konen, Bossenga, Pauling, Soliz. Absent: Piper. Associate Directors present: Carlson. Staff present: Borzeka, Gerdts, Hunter, McPartlan (zoom), Purdom. NRCS present: none

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by Soliz to accept the meeting agenda and seconded by Bossenga, and **motion carried**.

**Approval of Minutes:** **Motion** made by Soliz to accept the minutes from the May 8, 2025 regular meeting, seconded by Bossenga, and **motion carried**

**Public Comment:** none

**Correspondence:**

- Kifcure invitation to IH RISE collective. Board agreed to have Gerdts participate
- Kane County Farm Bureau Foundation sponsorship drive. Motion made by Soliz to sponsor 2026 for \$500, and seconded by Bossenga; and **motion carried**.
- Conservation Woman of the Year nomination Pam Otto selected winner. Bossenga to notify and invite to summer conference award luncheon

**Time Sheets:** Motion made by Soliz to accept the timesheets PPE 5/9, 5/23 and 6/6, and seconded by Pauling; and **motion carried**.

**Staff Reports:**

**Administrative Coordinator** – (see attached)

**Resource Conservationist** – (see attached)

**Resource Analysts** – (see attached)

**Resource Specialist** - (see attached)

**District Conservationist** – (see attached)

**Conservation Planner** (none)

**Natural Resource Inventory (NRI) Review:** Motion made by Pauling to approve NRIs 25-037 thru 25-048, seconded by Bossenga, and **motion carried**.

**Board Action Items:**

- Strategic Plan proposal from Chris Foster. Motion made by Soliz to accept proposal as submitted \$7,500, seconded by Bossenga, and **motion carried**.
- Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Plan of Work. Motion made by Soliz to accept the APW as presented, seconded by Bossenga, and **motion carried**.
- Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Motion made by Soliz to accept the budget as presented, seconded by Pauling, and **motion carried**.
- District Cost Share Program. Board approved generating a Program Outline to include cost benefit analysis, watershed plan impacts and repercussions for grantee not fulfilling terms. for proposed projects. Gerdts to research potential liability and if program conveys with land sale.
- SWCD Highway Signs. Board agrees to identify potential sign locations in Kane & DuPage Counties and report at July Board Meeting.

**Financial report and current bills:** Motion made by Soliz to accept the financial report and pay current bills, seconded by Pauling, and **motion carried.**

**Committees:**

**Personnel:** *Bossenga* – none

**Urban:** *Piper* – none

**Agriculture:** *Pauling* – Current moisture is good. Noted past Director Maureen McAlister referenced a certification. Gerdts to follow up with her.

**Legislative:** *Konen* – SB2387 was pulled from the budget prior to vote in Springfield. No additional SWCD funding approved – operations funds remain at \$4.5M, level with FY24 reduction.

**Grants:** *Gerdts* – IUM grant work proceeding, IEPA payments are current. Awaiting next grant cycle to open to apply for IEPA 604B for Kane County Water Modeling. No update on Jelkes Watershed plan update grant application. IDOA FY25 Operations funds received 6/5/2025 = \$39,990. KDSWCD will join NCCSWCD in assisting AISWCD with NRCS Watershed Project Grant administration.

**New Business:**

- None

**Old Business:**

- Banking migration continues.

**Motion** to adjourn made by Soliz and seconded by Pauling at 8:24 pm, and **motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

William Pauling  
Secretary/Treasurer

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