

# KANE-DUPAGE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## Board Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2020

**Call to order** –President Fabrizius called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. a Zoom meeting. Board members present were: Soliz and Konen, with Quinn joining the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Staff members present were: Hagen-Moeller, McPartlan, West, Shroder and Rankin. Rospopo and Board member Pauling were absent. Lizzy Kreindler from A5 was the only guest present.

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

**Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approve was made Konen by and seconded by Soliz; and **motion carried.**

**Time Sheets:** Time sheets were tabled until Hagen-Moeller can send them out to all board members for review.

**LUO Review:** Motion made by Soliz to approve LUOs **20-012 to 20-026** seconded by Konen; and **motion carried.**

**Public Comment:** Kreindler discussed the A5 presentation that had been sent to board members in their board packet, with an eye to figuring out which ideas board members and staff had strongest feelings for. It was felt that we could get two banners, one Ag oriented, and the other Urban oriented. We have until Tuesday morning to decide. The same was decided for the card, so that whatever audience we were looking to influence, we would have a card that appealed to that.

**Correspondence:** None.

### Staff Reports:

**Administrative Coordinator** – (see attached.) The Regenerative Ag Seminar is being moved to February due to the Covid-19 situation. Hagen-Moeller mentioned that her big focus has been on the budget and the Annual Plan of Work. The budget has been problematic since it is felt that the state will likely only fund SWCDs at 75 percent of the usual funding, optimistically.

**Resource Conservationist** – (see attached). McPartlan talked about an SESC project starting up soon. Mooseheart is also discussing a project that we might be able to help with. There have been no O'Hare inspections, which is a source of income that won't be coming in. He also mentioned that NRCS has released proficiency exams for required trainings in the Certified Conservation Planner curriculum.

**Resource Analyst** – (see attached.) West added that she is helping out with the newsletter.

**Resource Assistant** – (see attached.) Shroder mentioned a fun project to help McPartlan with his MOU presentations for municipalities.

**Office Assistant** – (see attached). Rankin mentioned the upcoming Tree and Plant Pickup on May 29<sup>th</sup> which will be a drive-thru, to help with social distancing.

**District Conservationist**– Rospopo mentioned to Hagen-Moeller that no board members were allowed in the office, only staff.

**Board Action Items:** none.

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**Financial report and current bills** – Discussion followed, and Hagen-Moeller mentioned that one of the CDs had come due. Pauling has a check for \$100,000+ that he will be taking to Sterling Bank because they have the best interest rates. Income is down, due to not as many SESCOs and LUOs and we haven't received our allocation from the state yet. Hagen-Moeller is glad to report that Mike Wurtz is back at work on our taxes. Motion made by Soliz to accept financial report and pay current bills seconded by Konen; and **motion carried**.

**Committee Reports:**

*Grant* – Soliz reported that we submitted our grant proposal and are in negotiations with each participant that will be doing the work. Janice Hill has already called on us for our expertise.

**Old Business:** We are tabling our discussion of the website overhaul until McPartlan can send out a quote from another company to do the same work.

**New Business:** none.

**Motion** made at 8:38 p.m. by Soliz and seconded by Quinn to adjourn; **motion carried**.

Respectfully submitted,

William Pauling  
Secretary/Treasurer

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