

MINUTES

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF LAKE COUNTY BOARD MEETING
11 March 2010, 3:05 p.m. 100 N. Atkinson Rd., Ste. 102-A Grayslake, IL, 847-223-1056

With a quorum of the Board present, Chairman Don Lloyd called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m., with the following in attendance:

Directors of LCSWCD Board: Don Lloyd
Cheryl Doros
Cheena Wade
Sandy Hartogh

Absent: Tom Simpson

SWCD Staff: Mea Blauer, Resource Conservationist
Nick Spittlemeister, Resource Analyst
Joanne True, District Manager

Agencies: Jim Rospopo, District Conservationist, USDA-NRCS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: motion by Wade to retain the current slate of officers for 2010, i.e. Chairman Lloyd, Vice-Chairman Simpson, Secretary Wade, Treasurer Hartogh, second by Doros; carried.

BOARD MINUTES: motion to approve January 14, 2010 board minutes as amended to include guest Kathryn Murray in attendance, by Wade, second by Doros; carried.

RESOURCE ANALYST'S REPORT – Nick Spittlemeister

Old Mill Creek Contract: motion to approve contract with J.J. Henderson to provide DECI services for the Lake County Public Works sewer treatment plant, by Wade, second by Hartogh; carried. This 18 month project will necessitate the purchase of additional insurance premium in the annual amount of \$225, which was also approved on motion by Wade, second by Hartogh; carried.

GIS Services for Area Fire Depts.: Spittlemeister is providing GIS reports for the Village of Long Grove Fire Dept., Countryside Fire Dept., and the Village of Wauconda Fire Dept. He is utilizing GIS data to determine dry hydrant capacity of their dry hydrant water supplies throughout their jurisdiction, as required by their insurance carriers. Spittlemeister presented a Power Point presentation on this subject for the Board. Board directed Spittlemeister to send a fact sheet to all County Fire Departments alerting them to our services.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT – Joanne True

Timesheets: motion to approve staff timesheets for January and February 2010, by Doros, second by Wade; carried.

AISWCD Expense Reimbursement: motion by Wade to reimburse Lloyd expenses for December quarterly Board expenses totaling \$180.00, second by Hartogh; carried.

NRCS Technical Support: Jon Hubbert, NRCS Area Conservationist is requesting the Board's input on where they would like to receive their technical support from following the closure of the North Cook/Elgin NRCS/SWCD office on May 31, 2010. Motion by Hartogh to request NRCS technical support from the McHenry County NRCS office, second by Wade; carried.

Election Counting Record & Annual Report: motion to sign and approve election counting record from the February 2010 election by Hartogh, second by Wade; carried. Motion to approve annual report for 2009 as presented by Doros, second by Wade; carried.

Vacation Requests: motion to approve vacation requests for Blauer from 3/29/10 to 4/2/10 and for True from 3/31/10 to 4/6/10, by Doros, second by Hartogh; carried.

Oki Printer: motion to dispose of old Okidata printer for recycling, due to lack of hardware support, by Wade, second by Doros; carried.

Quickbooks 2010: motion to purchase updated QB 2010 software @ \$159.95, by Doros, second by Wade; carried. Tax tables and technical support will expire for our office version on May 31, 2010.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST'S REPORT – Jim Rospopo

Rospopo attended an NRCS meeting in Morris yesterday. Discussion focused on Great Lakes Restoration Leadership Grants. NRCS is applying for \$100,000 of \$475 million being made available. NRCS will be working with units of government, park districts and other agencies, to provide 50% of average costs for projects in the Lake Michigan Watershed, including the Chicago and Des Plaines River basins. Rospopo will keep the board informed as to the status of this grant. Lloyd asked if nutrient runoff could also qualify for these grants. Rospopo will look into whether or not that would qualify.

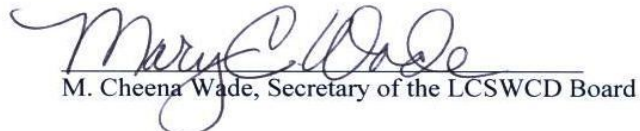
North Cook/Elgin Office Closure: Per Board inquiry, Rospopo has not yet been advised of where he will be detailed when the North Cook NRCS office closes on May 31, 2010.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Financial Statement: motion to approve January and February 2010 financial statements as presented by Wade, second by Doros; carried.

Chairman's Report: Lloyd met with Rich Nichols of the AISWCD, and John Bonenkamp of IDNR to discuss the possibility of rural landowners opening up their properties to recreationists, birders, hunters, etc. Discussion is at the preliminary stage, and Districts will continue working with the Conservation Congress. Lloyd delivered copies of our Sponsorship Brochures from the AISWCD, which allows for monetary sponsorship of the Lake County SWCD as an individual for \$25, or as an organization for \$100. Fifty percent of the annual fee will be returned to help support the local SWCD, with the remainder to be utilized by the Association of IL SWCD's to provide a strong, stable resource for District programs.

Adjournment: motion to adjourn at 4:40 p.m. by Hartogh, second by Doros; carried.


M. Cheena Wade, Secretary of the LCSWCD Board

NOTE: Next regularly scheduled Board meeting is **April 8, 2010, at 3 p.m.**