FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
January 14, 2020

NOTICE TO ALL MCHENRY COUNTY MEDIA

MEETING NOTICE

(January 14, 2020) In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, this is to inform you that the regular monthly meeting of the McHenry County Conservation District Board of Trustees has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 21 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Brookdale Administrative Offices in Woodstock, Illinois.

The Brookdale Administrative Offices are located in Brookdale Conservation Area at 18410 US Highway 14, Woodstock, Illinois. Please contact the District office for more detailed directions at (815) 338-6223 X1234.
1.0 CALL TO ORDER - President Vern Scacci

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3.0 INTRODUCTORY ROLL CALL
3.1 Roll Call

4.0 CONSERVATION ETHIC
Goal #6: To foster a conservation ethic among McHenry County citizens helping all of us, regardless of the basis for our interest in nature, to develop a greater awareness of our role in, and responsibility for, the total community of life. A conservation ethic asks us to assume a moral duty to become educated about conservation issues and then to act on that information. A conservation ethic is an attitude that recognizes the importance of preserving the natural heritage of the county’s open space.

Goal #3: To manage its areas in such manner that archaeological and historical resources are integrated with natural resources for optimal preservation, education, and recreation benefits.

5.0 CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE
We pledge to make a difference by standing up for our water, wildlife and way of life in McHenry County. Our quality of life in McHenry County depends on healthy and sustainable natural resources, thoughtfully developed cities and towns, a strong economy, and beautiful outdoor places to explore, discover and recreate.

No. 12: We will empower you to conserve our water, wildlife and way of life here in McHenry County by actively seeking your input and support.
6.0 ADOPT THE AGENDA

7.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITION PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS
7.1 Resolution #20-01 Recognizing the Retirement of Education Services Manager Deb Chapman
7.2 Resolution #20-02 Recognizing a McHenry County Citizen for Heroism

8.0 TRUSTEES REPORT

9.0 COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT

10.0 PRESIDENT’S REPORT

11.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS I

Public comments on Conservation District matters will be limited to 3 min. per person. Board members welcome all comments and will take them under advisement.

12.0 BOARD BUSINESS - CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are approved in one motion as presented on the agenda. The Trustees may remove items from the consent agenda for discussion purposes prior to the motion to approve.

12.1 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
12.1a December 19, 2019 - Public Session
12.1e November 21, 2019 - Executive Session
12.2 Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report for December 31, 2019 as presented.
12.3 Acceptance of Investment Report for 3rd Quarter ending December 31, 2019 as presented.
12.4 Resolution #20-03 authorizing the Executive Director to execute and submit an Illinois Bicycle Grant Program Application to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for Prairie Trail renovations and stormwater management improvements in Ringwood, IL.
12.5 Resolution #20-04 authorizing the Executive Director to execute and submit an Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP) application for linking the east and west segments of the Hebron Trail near Lange Road in rural Hebron Township.
12.6 Ordinance #20-970 authorizing the Transfer of Funds between Budget Line Items GL 01-15-730 to GL 01-15-746 in the General Fund in the amount of $8,100.
12.7 Authorization to prepare specifications and letting of bids for the roadway resurfacing and replacement of Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) at Marengo Ridge Conservation Area, Marengo, IL (Bid #0120.09.01).
12.8 Authorization to prepare and solicit Request for Proposals to develop a long-term Conservation Grazing lease that will incorporate ongoing research on the ability of rotational grazing to provide high-quality habitat for grassland bird species at the Pleasant Valley Conservation Area (RFP #0120.08.01).

12.9 Authorization to prepare specifications and letting of bids to secure the leasing of the Kayser Parcel (36.1 +/- acres) located at the Brookdale Conservation Areas, Sass Parcel (19.3 +/- acres) located at the Glacial Park Conservation Area and the Taylor Parcel (20.3 +/- acres) located at the Rush Creek Conservation Area (BID #0120.08.03).

12.10 Authorization to prepare specifications and letting of bids for a Joint Grassland Venture Lease on two separate parcels - RCU-1 (16.2 +/- Acres) and RCU-3 (26 +/- acres) and at the Rush Creek Conservation Area (BID #0120.08.02).

13.0 NEW & UNFINISHED BOARD BUSINESS

13.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of December 2019
   13.1a Treasurer’s Internal Audit
   13.1b Consideration to Approve the payment to Conserve FS as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the period ending December 31, 2019 (if needed)
   13.1c Consideration to Approve the payment of the balance of bills as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the month ending December 31, 2019

13.2 FY 2021 Tentative Combined Annual Budget Approval of Ordinance #20-971

13.3 Consideration of Resolution #20-05 - Bid Authorization and Award: Electrical Services at 15 District Sites for one-year effective June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021 (BID #0120.15.01)

13.4 Culture Assessment of McHenry County Conservation District - McGrath Consulting Group, Inc.

14.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

14.1 Legislative Update - Verbal Update
14.2 Project Update: ADA Improvements
14.3 Quarterly Dashboard - FY 2020 - QTR 3
14.4 Strategic Plan Update - Year 5 - QTR 3
14.5 In the News - FY 2020 - QTR 3
14.6 Project Status Report - FY 2020 - QTR 3
14.7 McHenry County Conservation Foundation Update FY 2020 - QTR 3

15.0 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS

15.1 Trustee Reports on Conferences & Meetings Attended
   15.1a Fox River Ecosystem Partnership (FREP) - Trustee Campbell
   15.1b WRAP -Director of Land Preservation & Natural Resources Collins
   15.1c Chicago Wilderness - Executive Director Kessler
   15.1d McHenry County Farm Bureau - Trustee Fritz

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15.1e IACFPD/IAPD/NRPA - Executive Director Kessler
15.1f McHenry County Conservation Foundation - Trustee Thomas
15.1g McHenry County Council of Governments - President Scacci
15.1h Green Drinks Crystal Lake - Trustee Campbell
15.1i Conservation Congress 2020 - President Scacci & Vice President Brandt
15.1j MCCG Shared Investment Study & Algonquin/Cary Subarea Plan Steering Committee - Executive Director Kessler
15.1k MAPP - Director of Operations & Public Safety Kremer
15.1l Other Outreach Contacts

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17.0 ADJOURNMENT
(Motion to adjourn or a motion to fix the time to which the Board shall adjourn to Thursday, February 6, 2020, 5:00 p.m., Brookdale Administrative Office if needed).

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