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**PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING**

(September 15, 2009) In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, this is to inform you that the Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting of the McHenry County Conservation District Board of Trustees and a Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing comments on the Ordinance #08-835 for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes in the year 2009 to be collected in the year 2010.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the McHenry County Conservation District will be Thursday September 17, 2009 at the Brookdale Administrative Offices, 18410 US Highway 14, Woodstock, IL commencing at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will go into Executive Session immediately after the Roll Call with the regular monthly **public portion of the meeting convening at 7:00 p.m.** The Public Hearing portion of the meeting will begin after the meeting is reconvened at **7:00 p.m. or soon after** at the same location.

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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.

MCHENRY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AGENDA  
September 17, 2009  
6:00 P.M.  
Brookdale Administrative Offices

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER
- 2.0 ROLL CALL
- 3.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION I  
Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Exception 2C5 (Real Estate), 2C6 (Sale/Lease Real Estate), 2C11 (Probable or Imminent Litigation and Pending Litigation), and 2C21 (Review of Closed Session Minutes) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1 et. seq.).
- 4.0 RECONVENE - IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION I - 7:00 P.M.
- 5.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 6.0 PUBLIC HEARING
  - 6.1 Motion to recess the Regular Meeting for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on Ordinance #09-835, "An Ordinance establishing the levy and assessment of property taxes in the Year 2009; to be collected in the Year 2010."
  - 6.2 2009 Levy and Assessment of Taxes Presentation
  - 6.3 Public Comments on Ordinance #09-835
  - 6.4 Reconvene to the Regular Meeting

## 7.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

## 8.0 PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

### 9.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### 9.1 Trustee Reports on Conferences & Meetings Attended

- 9.1a Fox River Ecosystem Partnership & Kishwaukee River Ecosystem Partnership - Vice-President Williamson
- 9.1b Imagine McHenry County -Secretary Ivers
- 9.1c Agricultural Conservation Easement and Farmland Protection - President LaGue
- 9.1d Chicago Wilderness - Secretary Ivers
- 9.1e IACD/IACFPD/IAPD - Trustee Carver
- 9.1f McHenry County Conservation Foundation - Vice-President Williamson
- 9.1g Other

#### 9.2 Finance Committee

- 9.2a Verbal Report of Meeting held on September 14, 2009

## 10.0 COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT

## 11.0 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.

#### 11.1 Approval of Minutes

- 11.1a August 12, 2009 - Special Call Meeting
- 11.1b August 20, 2009

#### 11.2 Receive & Place in Confidential File Closed Session Minutes - Already Distributed

- 11.2a August 20, 2009

#### 11.3 Board Committee Minutes to be Received and Placed on File

- 11.3a Finance Committee Minutes of August 17, 2009
- 11.3b Outreach & Advisory Committee Minutes of August 20, 2009

#### 11.4 Treasurer's Report

#### 11.5 Staff Monthly Report for September

#### 11.6 Motion to approve the lowest qualified bidders of Prairie Moon Nursery of Winona, MN (\$153,468.50), Allendan Seed Company of Winterset, IA (\$83,232.59), Shooting Star Native Seeds of Spring Grove, MN (\$64,642.37), Ion Exchange of Harpers Ferry, IA (\$56,452.83), Prairie Nursery of Westfield, WI (\$14,585.00), Taylor Creek Restoration Nurseries of Brodhead, WI (\$10,083.06), J.F.New & Associates, Inc. of Walkerton, IN (\$5,607.00), Spence Restoration Nursery of Munice, IN (\$1,102.44), and Carver's Native Plants of

Hebron, IL (\$407.00) for a total cost not to exceed \$389,580.79 for the completion of seeding projects on approximately 656 acres of various habitats for standard mixes and bond projects within conservation areas.

- 11.7 Motion to award the contract for the construction of the asphalt entrance drive, parking lot, rain gardens, shelter and restroom, ADA path and native landscape restoration at Lake in the Hills Fen Conservation Area, from Team REIL of Marengo, IL, the lowest qualified bidder, for a cost not to exceed \$481,352.10.
  - 11.8 Motion to award a contract to the lowest qualified bidder, Maneval Construction Company, Inc. of Grayslake, IL, for the construction of an asphalt entrance drive, parking lot, minus line item #E1 Toilet Building (\$59,160.00) for the High Point Conservation Area, for cost not to exceed \$124,069.37.
  - 11.09 Motion to reject all bids received for snowplowing bid #0609.07.01.
  - 11.10 Motion to adopt Resolution #09-30 authorizing an agreement between the District and NRB Land Development Group, LLC for wetland mitigation and enhancement to the Harrison Benwell Conservation Area and Off-site Mitigation Areas 1 & 2.
  - 11.11. Motion to adopt Resolution #09-31 authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Crystal Lake permitting the removal of snow along a section of the Prairie Trail between Route 14 and Crystal Lake Avenue.
  - 11.12 Motion to accept the Audited Financial Report prepared by Sikich, LLP for the 2009 Fiscal Year ended March 31, 2009.
  - 11.13 Item moved to Other Board Business (12.3).
  - 11.14 Second Reading. Motion to pass Ordinance #09-782 amending General Use Ordinance governing the use of Conservation Sites of the District.
  - 11.15 Motion to adopt resolution 09-33 authorizing approval of the grant agreement for project # 2009-2, Small Waters Wetland Restoration, with The Conservation Fund in the amount of \$42,000.
  - 11.16 Motion to adopt resolution 09-34 authorizing approval of the grant agreement for project # 2009-2, Monteloma Springs Wetland Restoration, with The Conservation Fund in the amount of \$52,000.
  - 11.17 Motion to rescind bid acceptance, Contract # 17 for the Lost Valley Visitor Center Project approved at the August 20, 2009 Board Meeting which was awarded to Sentinel Fire Suppression due to inadvertent mathematical error.
  - 11.18 Motion to accept the bid from Century Automatic Sprinkler Company of Gurnee, IL, the lowest qualified bidder, for the fire suppression system for the Lost Valley Visitor Center Project Contact #17 for a cost not to exceed \$275,700.
- 12.0 OTHER BOARD BUSINESS
- 12.1 Approval of Bills Payable for the Month of August 2009  
*Motion to approve the payment of bills, as indicated on the Submission of Bills Pending Report for the month ending 8/31/2009.*
  - 12.2 2009 Property Tax Levy Ordinance #09-835, "An Ordinance establishing the levy and assessment of property taxes in the Year 2009; to be collected in the Year 2010."

- 12.3 Professional Services Agreement for engineering services for Phase 2 of the Crystal Lake to Woodstock Trail
- 12.4 Change Orders
- 13.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- 14.0 TRUSTEE'S REPORT
- 15.0 DIRECTOR'S REPORT
  - 15.1 Grand Opening - Crystal Lake to Woodstock Trail - 9/24/2009, 5:30 p.m.
- 16.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION II (If needed)  
Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Exception 2C5 (Real Estate), 2C6 (Sale/Lease Real Estate), 2C11 (Probable or Imminent Litigation and Pending Litigation), and 2C21 (Review of Closed Session Minutes) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1 et. seq.).
- 16.0 RECONVENE II
- 17.0 ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION I & II
- 18.0 ADJOURN  
(Motion to adjourn or a motion to fix the time to which the Board shall adjourn to Thursday, October 1, 2009, 6:00 p.m., Brookdale Administrative Office)

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