

WEST SKOKIE DRAINAGE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
March 14, 2023

- I. A meeting of the West Skokie Drainage District was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Camilla Dadey at the Deerfield Village Hall, 850 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, IL 60015. Those in attendance, included Chairperson Camilla Dadey, Commissioner Morris Ban, Commissioner Christopher Call, Coordinating Engineer(s) James Anderson, Scott Anderson and David Johannesen from James Anderson Company and Attorney Bryan R. Winter. Notice of the meeting was accomplished by posting all requisite notices, all in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act.
- II. Public comment – no public comments were presented.
- III. On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the minutes of the meeting held on January 10, 2023, were approved by roll call vote with all Commissioners voting in favor of the motion.
- IV. The Commissioners reviewed the status of accounts which indicated a balance on hand as of January 12, 2023, in the amount of \$510,674.11.
- V. On motion duly made, seconded and carried by roll call vote with all Commissioners voting in favor of the motion, the Commissioners approved the payment of the following bills for services rendered to the District:
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| JAMES ANDERSON COMPANY | \$2,277.13 |
| DUNLAP TREE EXPERTS | \$1,200.00 |
| COMED | \$1,307.62 |
| MODERN MEDIA TECH, LLC | \$500.00 |
| FOREST BUILDERS, INC. | \$12,225.67 |
| NORTH BRANCH WATERSHED WORKGROUP | \$1,460.00 |
| FUQUA WINTER LTD. | \$2,170.00 |
- VI. The Commissioners received a report from the Engineers for the District that channel maintenance is ongoing, between Old Mill Road south to Route 22. Also, the east camera and modem, which provide monitoring capabilities at the Atkinson Road Basin have been replaced. Other channel and basin work is being scheduled for the summer.

- VII. The Commissioners received a report from the Attorney for the District, who reported the East Skokie Drainage District (ESDD) has authorized exploratory efforts to consolidate. The process requires the Commissioners from both Districts to approve and sign a petition to consolidate, which would be filed with the Circuit Court. Once filed, a judge would set a hearing date for the petition and require a written notice advising of the hearing date to be sent out to the property owners within each district. ESDD has authorized Patricia Werner of PSW Environmental Services and Fuqua Winter Ltd. to begin work on preparing the petition and supporting documents. ESDD proposes that consolidation costs be divided on a 50/50 basis between the two districts. If consolidation were to take place, approximately \$30,000 in administrative costs will be saved on an annual basis. After discussion, the Commissioners indicated work should proceed and that the division of costs on a 50/50 basis is acceptable.
- VIII. The Commissioners received a further report from the Attorney for the District that the North Branch Chicago River Watershed Plan update is available for review and that public comments can be made until April 6, 2023. The watershed plan is considered when evaluating grant funding opportunities.
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- X. New Business – There was no new business.
- XI. Motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and carried at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Morris Ban

Secretary