

SKOKIE CONSOLIDATED DRAINAGE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
September 19, 2023

- I. A meeting of Skokie Consolidated Drainage District was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson Joseph L. Bridges at the Deerfield Village Hall, 850 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, IL 60015. Those in attendance included Chairperson Joseph L. Bridges, Commissioner Michele Mrachek, Commissioner Todd Needlman participated remotely by telephone, Project Coordinator Patricia Werner, Coordinating Engineers Michael Warner and Carissa Smith, James Anderson, James Anderson Engineering, 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. On motion duly made, seconded and by roll call vote all Commissioners voted in favor of electing Joseph L. Bridges as Chairperson and Todd Needlman as Secretary of Skokie Consolidated Drainage District.
- III. Public comment – no public comments were presented.
- IV. On motion duly made, seconded, the minutes of the monthly meeting held on August 9, 2023 for Subdistrict No. 1-East Skokie, and the minutes of the monthly meeting held on August 11, 2023 by Subdistrict No. 2-West Skokie were approved by roll call vote, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.
- V. On motion duly made, seconded, Patricia Werner was approved to serve as the Project Coordinator for Skokie Consolidated Drainage District, by roll call vote, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.
- VI. On motion duly made, seconded, the Meeting Schedule for Skokie Consolidated Drainage District for the remainder of 2023 was approved by roll call vote, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.
- VII. The Commissioners reviewed the status of accounts for Subdistrict No. 1-East Skokie which indicated a balance on hand as of August 15, 2023 in the amount of \$368,177.79, and for

Subdistrict No. 2-West Skokie a balance on hand as of August 2, 2023 in the amount of \$526,754.11.

VIII. On motion duly made, seconded and by roll call vote, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to approve the payment of the following bills for services rendered to the District:

SUBDISTRICT NO. 1-EAST SKOKIE

FOREST BUILDERS, INC.	\$15,800.00
PSW ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$ 3,618.13
V3 COMPANIES	\$44,565.00
GEWALT HAMILTON ASSOCIATES	\$ 6,441.08
FUQUA WINTER LTD.	\$ 5,896.00

SUBDISTRICT NO. 2-WEST SKOKIE

FOREST BUILDERS, INC.	\$15,387.39
PSW ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$ 109.38
JAMES ANDERSON COMPANY	\$ 5,784.65
DANA L. BEYER	\$ 170.00
SHEILA PLATT	\$ 40.00
NORTH SHORE PRINTERS, INC.	\$ 1,646.58
FUQUA WINTER LTD.	\$ 7,185.00
GEWALT HAMILTON ASSOCIATES	\$ 6,441.08
COMED	\$ 725.31
DITOMASSO EXCAVATING	\$ 2,580.00
FLOW-TECHNICS INC.	\$ 2,810.00

IX. The Commissioners received a report from Patricia Werner, Project Coordinator, who reported as follows regarding the following projects:

A. Lake Forest Skokie River Improvements Phase 2 Project: Final restoration of the Waveland Park area and landscaping for the project is on-going. This final work should be completed in the next 60 days. V3 Companies is working on the as-built plans to deliver to SCDD and Lake County Stormwater Management (SMC). On September 7, 2023 a virtual meeting took place to confirm the close-out procedures to receive the final DCEO grant reimbursement for this project. A final report will be submitted to SMC once all the work is completed.

B. Highland Park Project: SCDD has submitted a preliminary IL EPA Section 319 grant proposal requesting a grant of \$500,000 for this project through SMC. SMC will combine all county-wide grant proposals into one application for funding from IL EPA. The cost for the entire project is estimated to be \$3,698,000. Based on this projected cost, it is proposed that the project will be undertaken in phases based on the availability of funding. Without additional grant funding, the project most likely require three phases to take place over a period of five to six years.

- C. Atkinson Basin: Recent maintenance work included the replacement of a 36 inch diameter culvert. Also, when changing the oil for the pumps it was discovered that the cable system for the pumps is not working properly. The Engineers are investigating this issue. Due to the age of the pumps, further review will be undertaken to assess the future operations and eventual replacement of the pumps.
- X. The District's attorney provided a report concerning the court hearing related to the District's Verified Petition to Consolidate, Annex, and the creation of Subdistricts. It was reported that no objections were filed in opposition to the Petition. Approximately a dozen property owners attended the court hearing. The court conducted the hearing and allowed attendees to have their questions answered after which the court entered an Order granting all of the requests set forth in the Petition.
- XI. On motion duly made, seconded, the proposal from James Anderson Company to prepare a complete legal description for the newly created consolidated drainage district and subdistricts was approved by roll call vote, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. This legal description is required as part of the consolidation process.
- XII. The Commissioners discussed and provided directions to seek a proposal for a new website for the Skokie Consolidated Drainage District.
- XIII. New Business. The Commissioners confirmed that Larry Bridges as the current representative to the North Branch Chicago River Watershed Workgroup (NBWW) is authorized to continue to serve as the SCDD delegate to the NBWW.
- XIV. On motion to adjourn, duly made, seconded, and carried by roll call vote, all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Todd Needlman

Secretary