

**MINUTES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
September 3, 2024**

Meeting CALLED TO ORDER by Critchell Judd, at 6:04 pm, 1648 S. Eastwood Dr., Woodstock, IL.

**MLCSWCD DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Critchell Judd  
Ken Book  
Dean Farr

**SWCD STAFF PRESENT**

Spring Duffey

**NRCS STAFF PRESENT**

None

**MLCSWCD DIRECTORS ABSENT**

Bob Haraden  
Andrea Pracht

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Ed Collins, McHenry County Conservation  
District

**ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Alan Plane

**CHANGES (ADDITIONS) TO AGENDA:** None

**MINUTES OF THE August 6, 2024, BOARD MEETING**

The Minutes of the August 6, 2024, Board Meeting were reviewed. Dean Farr moved to approve the minutes. Critchell Judd seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**BUDGET ANALYSIS**

We are two months into our FY2025 fiscal year, the totals are as follows: 7.4% of budgeted income and 24.3% of budgeted expenses.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Ken Book moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Dean Farr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**STAFF REPORTS/TIME SHEET APPROVAL**

Staff Reports were reviewed. Ken Book moved that the Staff Reports and Time Sheets be accepted. Dean Farr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**FOIA REQUESTS:** None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Alan Plane indicated that our Dean Street property was most likely impacted by the hailstorm on August 27, 2024, and we should have the roof evaluated. Spring Duffey will contact our insurance company and schedule an inspection.

**NATURAL RESOURCE INFORMATION REPORTS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Presentation by McHenry County Conservation District on Proposition 2024:**

Ed Collins, McHenry County Conservation District (MCCD) gave a PowerPoint presentation on MCCD's proposed Tax Levy ballot measure. The purpose of the measure is to protect water quality, preserve wildlife habitat, and improve outdoor recreation access.

**B. Dean Street Management Plan**

Comments from the planning meeting were reviewed and a couple of additional items were added including relandscaping the entrance and adding solar lights to the entrance signage. Spring Duffey will coordinate with the McHenry County Conservation District to create a site plant inventory. Ken Book mentioned that he would like to create a budget for site improvements, beginning with adding a line item to our FY2026 Budget.

**C. FY2024 Financial Review**

Spring Duffey pursued quotes from 4 companies and only received one response from Foster's Tax & Accounting, LLC. Ken Book moved to accept the quote from Foster's Tax & Accounting, LLC, for \$3,600.00. Dean Farr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**D. Ryan Bieber's Computer**

Spring Duffey informed the board of the problems Ryan Bieber is having with his laptop. Ryan Bieber has been in contact with Josh Townes, and they are trying to determine if increasing the memory is possible or if a new laptop is required. Ken Book moved to purchase a new laptop, if it is determined by Josh Townes that it is necessary. The purchase will be reviewed by Critchell Judd for final approval. Dean Farr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**E. AISWCD**

The dismissal of Michael Woods and the subsequent interim hiring of Grant Hammer was discussed. Dean Farr is concerned that our funding situation will be affected by the change in leadership and asked if the board would allow him to be part of the legislative committee. The board agreed and will pay his mileage to attend the AISWCD meetings. Additionally, the funding petitions are due to the AISWCD by September 16, 2024. If you have petitions, please send them ASAP to Critchell Judd and he will assemble them and send forward them to the AISWCD.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ken Book moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. Dean Farr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Book, Secretary