

EAST SKOKIE DRAINAGE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
February 21, 2008

I. The meeting of the East Skokie Drainage District was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Chairman Joseph L. Bridges at Highland Park City Hall, 1707 St. John's Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035. Those in attendance included Commissioner Joseph L. Bridges, Chairman, Commissioner William Green, Commissioner Anthony Bilotti, Sean Wiedel, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (SMC), Engineer Ted Anderson and Attorney Bernard R. Winter. Notice of the meeting was accomplished including publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and by posted notices, all in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act.

II. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the minutes of the January 17, 2008 meeting were approved as amended.

III. The Commissioners reviewed the status of accounts which indicated a balance on hand as of February 19, 2008 in the amount of \$1,065,537.48.

IV. On motions duly made, seconded and carried, the Commissioners approved the payment of the following bills for services rendered to the District:

James Anderson Company	\$	8,357.59
Christopher B. Burke Engineering	\$	8,378.00
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Forest Builders, Inc.	\$	8,033.57
Soil and Material Consultants	\$	2,346.00
Steven W. Stanger & Associates	\$	2,240.62
Priority Systems Inc.	\$	3,713.46

IV. The Commissioners reviewed the Report of Finding from Soil and Material Consultants, Inc. dated February 8, 2008 on the geotechnical investigation completed for the East Skokie Drainage District ditch running through Foss Park Golf Course, North Chicago, IL. The Commissioners deemed said report satisfactory.

The Commissioners recommended that the engineers contact the grounds keeper at Foss Park Golf Course so that a determination can be made whether the Board governing the golf course would be amenable to contributing to the cost of work to be accomplished at or near the ditch including seeding and leveling of fill.

The Commissioners also took note of the fact, via the assistance of the engineers; the application of a C-2000 Grant had been applied for in connection with restoration matters applicable to Foss Park Golf Course.

V. The Commissioners were provided with pertinent portions of a hydrologic and hydraulic analysis of drain tile replacement alternatives within the Skokie River Headwaters provided by Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. The analysis primarily pertains to drain tile replacement alternatives north of Buckley Road.

The District Engineer reported that a 5th alternative scenario to complete the study will be coordinated with the input of SMC.

It was further noted that the Burke report made some reference to future flood storage at the Lake Bluff site. Ted Anderson, District Engineer, and Sean Wiedel, SMC, noted additional communication with officials at Lake Bluff is planned since the Village of Lake Bluff owns approximately 30 acres immediately adjacent to the 84 acres already under the direction of IDNR and the Forest Preserve District, and that cooperation of all parties involved would be advantageous.

Commissioner Bilotti also informed the Commissioners that contact with the Navy had been made and it was anticipated a response from the Navy would be forthcoming.

VI. The Attorney for the District submitted a summary of insurance coverages of the District, the same including

Underlying Liability, Umbrella, Directors & Officers, and Non-Owned Auto Coverage. It was noted the present policies are not scheduled to renew until June 5, 2008, but that review of the present coverage could possibly be considered by the Commissioners during the next few months prior to said renewal date.

VII. The Commissioners received an engineering report from Ted Anderson that with respect to the Greenbelt Forest Preserve Project, the permit application was submitted on September 27, 2007, but taking into account the workload of the Corps of Engineers, it can be anticipated a response might not be received back from the Corps of Engineers for some time.

VIII. The Commissioners indicated that included on the District's website other than the 2008 Meeting Schedule, might include agendas and approved minutes of meetings.

IX. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary