EAST SKOKIE DRAINAGE DISTRICT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 25, 2020

- I. A meeting of the East Skokie Drainage District was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chairman Joseph L. Bridges at the 9 N. County Street, Ste. 200, Waukegan, IL. In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order, in person attendance requirements under the Open Meeting Act allowed Commissioners Todd Needlman and William Schrimpf, Coordinating Engineer Bud Reed, and Michael Warner and Ashley Strelcheck of SMC to join the meeting remotely. Those attending in person included Commissioner and Chairman, Joseph L. Bridges 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 carried, the minutes of the monthly meeting held on February 12, 2020 were approved.
- III. The Commissioners reviewed the status of accounts which indicated a balance on hand as of March 4, 2020, in the amount of \$1,460,736.67.
- IV. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, by all Commissioners present, the Commissioners approved the payment of the following bills for services rendered to the District:

REED ENGINEERING, LLC \$5,075.00 FUQUA WINTER LTD. \$6,877.50

- V. The Commissioners received the Coordinating Engineer's report concerning ongoing projects which included the following:
- A. The District represented by Bryan Winter and Chris Hanchett met with City of Lake Forest representatives on March 4, 2020 to discuss the Lake Forest Streambank Stabilization Project. The District was able to answer questions concerning landscaping approaches. The City's Arborist has approved all plant selections proposed.
- B. <u>319 Maintenance & Monitoring</u>. Integrated Lakes Management (ILM) has been retained to burn the three project locations still under 319 maintenance. James Anderson Engineering

agreed to the use of ILM for this work, as this work was originally part of the James Anderson Engineering Contract.

- C. The District has received an invitation to attend a second Regional Flood Meeting to be held in Highland Park on April 15, 2020. The District will plan to have a representative attend this meeting.
- D. Watershed Plan Update. The District will be working with Ashley Strelcheck at SMC to provide input for the new watershed plan. The District will be requesting the inclusion of approximately 8 additional miles of open channel to be included in the plan for stabilization.
- VI. Attorney, Bryan R. Winter provided an update on the Lake Forest Streambank Stabilization Project. He reported the public notice to bidders will be published shortly. The bid process includes a two-step process requiring bidders to prequalify before submitting sealed bids for the project. Attorney Winter answered several questions from Michael Warner from SMC concerning the landscape plans for the project. Mr. Winter reported the District's meeting with the City of Lake Forest held on March 4, 2020 went very well and confirmed that the City Arborist has approved all the plant selections for the project. Mr. Winter reported that the District has received an objection to the project from a resident who lives north of phase I of the project. Efforts to secure easements for phase I have been progressing and it is hoped all necessary easements will be obtained before the end of May 2020.
- VII. Motion to adjourn meeting was passed at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,	
/S/ William Schrimpf	
Secretary	