

EAST SKOKIE DRAINAGE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
June 14, 2023

- I. A meeting of the East Skokie Drainage District was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson Joseph L. Bridges at the Office of Attorney Bryan Winter, Fuqua Winter Ltd., 9 N. County Street, Waukegan, IL 60085. Those in attendance included Chairperson Joseph L. Bridges, Commissioner Michele Mrachek, Commissioner Todd Needlman attended by telephone but did not vote on any matters presented, Michael Warner from Gewalt 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. Public comment – no public comments were presented.
- III. On motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the minutes of the monthly meetings held on May 10, 2023 were approved by roll call vote.
- IV. The Commissioners reviewed the status of accounts which indicated a balance on hand as of May 25, 2023, in the amount of \$103,834.97.
- V. On motion duly made, seconded and by roll call vote, the payment of the following bills for services rendered to the District were approved:
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| V3 COMPANIES, LTD. | \$363,943.10 |
| V3 COMPANIES, LTD. | \$ 3,750.00 |
| FUQUA WINTER LTD. | \$ 5,022.50 |
- VI. The Commissioners received a report from Patricia Werner, Project Coordinator, who reported as follows:
- a. Skokie River Channel Improvements Project Phase 2 – Stage 1; all trees and shrubs have been installed, including the planting of 57 trees and 62 shrubs throughout the Stage 1 area. The walking path has been patched where asphalt was cut for new storm sewers and the site received final cleanup with seed and blanket rolls installed. The temporary chain link construction fencing has been removed at the southern end of the project area.
 - b. Skokie River Channel Improvements Project Phase 2 – Stage 2; as of June 9, 2023, approximately 950 linear feet of the Stage 2 Channel has been completed on both sides of the channel. Approximately 350 to 400 linear feet upstream of the Waveland Park pedestrian bridge remains and should be completed by the end of June 2023.

- c. Drainage District Consolidation – all municipal districts except for Gurnee have been contacted by telephone with a follow up email message with the consolidated brochure information attached.

VII. The Commissioners received a report from Attorney Bryan Winter regarding the DCEO grant reimbursement process and advised the District's third reimbursement invoice in the amount of \$850,199.16 has been approved. This reimbursement amount will allow the District to pay the currently outstanding V3 Companies payment request of \$363,943.10. The Commissioners also received a report regarding consolidation with the West Skokie Drainage District. The Commissioners were advised that Gewalt Engineering is preparing documents in support of the consolidation. Also, the engineers have discovered that there are certain parcels, which are not currently within either District, but benefit from the District's drainage system. It is expected that a Verified Petition for Consolidation and Annexation will be presented at the District's next meeting.

VIII. 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 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Todd Needlman

Secretary