



Annual Membership Meeting January 27, 2022 Minutes

- Zoom Meeting – Recoding of meeting can be found at <https://ldpwatersheds.org/about-us/lower-des-plaines-watershed-group/meetings-minutes/>
- **Approve November 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes** *Motion to approve meeting minutes as presented was made by Scott Killinger, seconded by Ed Dolezal, motion carried.*
- **Executive Board and Officers Elections**
 - President - Allison Swisher, City of Joliet
 - Vice President - Mark Siefert, City of Crest Hill
 - Secretary/Treasurer - Keith McKeen, Village of New Lenox
 - Member at Large - Ed Dolezal, Village of Channahon
 - Member at Large - Pete Grossi, Village of Lockport
 - Member at Large – Dustin Gallagher, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District

Motion to approve Executive Board Slate as presented was made by Scott Killinger and seconded by Zach Brown, motion carried.
- **Review & Approve Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Budget** – See attached. Highlights: Changes to the Agency Member Dues have been made in two ways. First the multiplier for the \$/MGD rate was lowered due to the addition of new members in 2021, so this resulted in a decrease for members that operate wastewater treatment plants. The second was an additional fee associate with the Chloride TLWQS as there are costs specifically related to requirements of the IPCB Order that was issued in November 2021. So, this resulted in an increase for members that are also petitioners. In some cases, these two changes offset each other. A new tab was created in the budget to track costs related to the Chloride TLWQS. A small increase in staffing associated with tasks to meet Chloride TLWQS requirements was made, increasing from 1.425 to 1.475 FTE – the total FTE is spread across five staff. *Jennifer Hammer reviewed the proposed budget and changes to dues and the addition of the Chloride TLWQS line in the budget. There were no questions, other than when invoices would be sent out. Motion to approve the FY2022-23 Annual Budget as presented was made by Scott Killinger, seconded by Ed Dolezal. Motion Carried.*
- **Approve TCF Staffing Contract** – See attached, updated to reflect current dates and total staffing amount of \$123,280 as presented in the budget. This amount covers 1.475 FTE spread across five staff. *There were no questions about the updates to the staffing contract. Motion to approve the staffing contract was made by Jennifer Wasik, seconded by Zach Brown. Motion carried.*
- **Chloride TLWQS Update** – Hanna Miller from Chicago Area Waterways Chloride Workgroup will provide an update and overview of the IPCB order that was issued and an overview of our joint

activities to meet the outlined requirements *Hanna Miller discussed the recent Order that was issued by the Illinois Pollution Control Board and the associated clarification order, a summary of the Order and links to the Order itself can be found on our website at*

<https://ldpwatersheds.org/about-us/lower-des-plaines-watershed-group/our-work/chloride-variance/> *Hanna provided details about the templates for the Chloride Pollutant Minimization Plans and Documentation that are being jointly developed by CAWCW & LDWG, both documents have been sent to the Chloride Committee for review and comment ahead of the next committee meeting on February 15th. An outline of responsibilities of the workgroups include coordinating reporting activities, outreach materials, training opportunities, monitoring and re-evaluation. If you are interested in participating on the Chloride Committee, please contact Jennifer Hammer.*

- **Review & Overview of Workgroup Activities** *Jennifer Hammer summarized 2021 activities and outlined tasks for 2022*
 - *NARP – Jennifer provided a review of NARP requirements and tasks planned for this year which include working with dischargers and DRSCW/LDRWC to narrow in on a Phosphorus target, assemble Watershed information and data section, additional analysis of expanded DO data, finish non-point source analysis and identify steps for developing a Work Plan for the mainstem Des Plaines*
 - *Other 2022 tasks include working with MBI to complete Bioassessment Reports, continue DO and fecal coliform monitoring, working with CAWCW and Chloride Committee on TLWQS requirements, developing a Chloride Reduction Plan for non-TLWQS area, meet with communities to evaluate outreach materials and hosting winter deicing workshops.*
- **Winter & Spring Outreach Materials** – *Lea Rodbarry provided an overview of materials developed in 2021 and new materials for winter and spring. All materials can be found at* <https://ldpwatersheds.org/outreach/>
- **2022 Membership Meetings:**
 - March 24
 - May 26
 - July 28
 - September 22
 - December 1 – moved one week later due to Thanksgiving Holiday