



WOOD RIVER DRAINAGE AND LEVEE DISTRICT
OF
MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
543 W. MADISON AVENUE
WOOD RIVER, ILLINOIS 62095

MINUTES OF MEETING – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1. Meeting Information

Date: Thursday January 8, 2026
Time: 3:30 PM
Location: 543 W. Madison Avenue, Wood River, IL 62095
Teams Meeting Call in Number: +1 708-329-8926; Passcode: 165 212 591#

Written By: Brianne England

2. Attendees

Name	Title	Organization
Steve Palen	President – Board of Commissioners	Wood River Drainage & Levee District
Nathan Kincade	V.P. – Board of Commissioners	Wood River Drainage & Levee District
Steve Kochan	Board of Commissioners	Wood River Drainage & Levee District
Kevin Williams	Executive Director	Wood River Drainage & Levee District
Mike Allen	Superintendent	Wood River Drainage & Levee District
Brianne England	Secretary/Treasurer	Wood River Drainage & Levee District
Lucy Dehner**	Agent	The Luken Agency
Ethan Thompson**	Civil Engineer	WSP USA, Inc.
James Craney	Partner	Craney Winters Law Group, LLC

**** Attended by Audio Conference**

3. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm by the Executive Director, Kevin Williams.

4. Public Comments

N/A

5. WSP USA, Inc. Report:

- 5.1. Ethan Thompson provided his project update based on notes received prior to the meeting.
See attached.

6. Superintendent Report

- 6.1. Mike Allen was present at the meeting and available for questions.
6.2. Maintenance has been cutting trees along the Berm Hwy.
6.3. On rainy days they worked on equipment maintenance. Some duct work in the garage has been removed and capped off. Making the garage more energy efficient.



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7. Executive Director Comments

- 7.1. Kevin Williams provided his project update based on notes received prior to the meeting. See attachment.
- 7.2. USACE Projects, Young Contracting, had resumed work at Hawthorne PS but has paused again, for unknown reasons.

8. Luken Insurance Agency Comments

- 8.1. Lucy Dehner was present at the meeting and available for questions.

9. Attorney James Craney Comments

- 9.1. James Craney was present at the meeting and available for questions.
- 9.2. James was contacted by the Counsel for Sny Island Levee Drainage District. He is attempting to put together a network for the attorneys for the levee and drainage districts in the region. Opportunity to share information and ask questions.

10. Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting:

A motion was made by Kochan to approve the open session meeting minutes for 12/04/25; seconded by Kincade.

Palen: aye; Kincade: aye; Kochan: aye. Motion passed

11. Approval of the Bills

A motion was made by Kincade to approve the list of bills presented in the amount of \$32,620.30; second by Kochan. See attachments.

Palen: aye; Kincade: aye; Kochan: aye. Motion passed

12. Treasurer/Financial Report

The prepared financial/balance sheet and Revenue & Expense have been presented to be read and will answer any questions. Motion made by Kochan to pass; seconded by Palen.

Palen: aye; Kincade: aye; Kochan: aye. Motion passed

13. Communications

N/A

14. Old Business

N/A

15. New Business

- 15.1. Discussion and potential action regarding creating a new RAPS CD at the Bank of Madison County. \$150k for 20 Weeks at 3.70% APY

Motion was made by Kincade to pass; seconded by Palen



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Palen: aye; Kincade: aye; Kochan: aye. Motion passed

- 15.2. Discussion and potential action regarding rolling approximately half of Maint. CD 15 (*0298) into a new CD when it matures on 01/19/26. The new CD will be \$250k for 20 weeks at 3.70% APY. The remaining principal and interest income will be deposited into the Maint. MMDA Account (*0784)

Motion was made by Kochan to pass; seconded by Kincade

Palen: aye; Kincade: aye; Kochan: aye. Motion passed

- 15.3. Discussion and potential action regarding executing an agreement with Overhead Door Company to replace damaged residential style doors with commercial doors at the EA2 garage

Motion was made by Palen to pass; seconded by Kincade

Palen: aye; Kincade: aye; Kochan: aye. Motion passed

16. Executive Session

N/A

17. Return to open session/roll call:

N/A

18. Commissioners/Employee Comments:

N/A

19. Adjournment

Motion was made by Kochan to adjourn; second by Palen

Kochan: aye; Kincade: aye; Palen: aye. Motion passed

Adjournment at 3:50 p.m.



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