



# Membership Meeting

## May 9, 2019

### Minutes

- Welcome and Introductions
- **Approve:** Staff to finalize contract negotiations with Midwest Biodiversity Institute for 2019 Bioassessment not to exceed \$195,000 *Motion made by Jen Wasik, seconded by Keith McKeen, motion carried.*
- **Approve:** Staff to finalize contract negotiations with Microbac Laboratory for 2019 sample analysis *Motion made by Keith McKeen, seconded by Jen Wasik, motion carried.*
- **Presentation** – Effects of Improved Water Quality on Fish Assemblages and Sport Fishery of the Des Plaines River and Implications of Proposed Invasive Fish Barrier at Brandon Lock – By Steve Pescitelli, Region 2 Stream Specialist
  
- Chloride Time-Limited Water Quality Standard update *Jennifer Hammer provided a short update on chloride variance – IEPA submitted recommendations to the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Public comment period ended on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Public hearing dates have not been set, maybe by end of year. Still needs to be sent to USEPA Region 5 for comments and approval.*
- Overview of 2019 Spring Outreach Campaign materials *Monica Rockstroh provided an overview of spring outreach materials. Efforts have been made to move away from the static “Seasonal Toolkits” and post all seasonal outreach campaigns to the website. Blog and social media post on the following topics have posted on the LDWG website: Native Trees for Your Environment, Native Plant 101 and Adding Natives to the Landscape. These topics are tied to reducing the need for excess fertilizer and to infiltrate rain water.*
- Will County Groundwater Study Update *The LDWG will be acting as a fiscal agent on behalf of the Southwest Water Planning Group for a ground water modeling project with Illinois State Water Survey. Separate invoices for this project will be sent to participants (many of which are members of the LDWG) over the next three years to complete the project.*
- Membership Update:
  - Invoices for FY2019-2020 have been sent out.
- 2019 Membership Meetings:
  - July 11
  - September 12
  - November 14
- Upcoming 2019 Workshops
  - October 15 – Winter Deicing Workshop - Parking Lots & Sidewalks
  - October 16 – Winter Deicing Workshop - Public Roads
  - November 6 – Good Housekeeping Workshop