

**Bird Conservation Network**  
Excom Meeting - Teleconference  
May 23, 2005

Attendees:

Donald Dann  
Randi Doeker  
Bob Fisher  
Glenn Gabanski  
Lee Ramsey

1. Monitoring – Lee Ramsey

Nothing new; the program is moving forward.

2. Birding Trail Guide Event – Donnie Dann

Mayor Daley is doing a rollout on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Notice has been sent out to IBET readers and we will make an effort to contact the clubs again to hype attendance.

1. 130<sup>th</sup> Street sewage pond access – Donnie Dann

Donnie sent to Suzanne Malec at Chicago DOE the IBET postings about the loss of birding spots in the City and the destruction of existing spots by dogs. Suzanne and her group are discussing ways to help birds and birders in Chicago. Previously Sadhu Johnston in the Mayor's office has said he would check on the sewage pond access but we have not heard any response.

2. Northerly Island – Randi Doeker

The venue is under construction. No announcements have been made regarding the next step in the planning process.

3. July BCN meeting – Donnie Dann

We need to promote the meeting to ensure that the attendance is good. We have two special guests: John Rogner, USFWS, and John Oldenburg, DuPage FP. The board members will contact the individual clubs to make sure they know that individual members can attend.

4. FCDCC – Randi Doeker

Randi explained the ISG land swap proposal. Per Donnie, Benjamin Cox of the Friends of the FP, has asked BCN to support their efforts to oppose the swap. It was agreed we would send a letter when the issue is discussed by the commissioners (which has not been scheduled).

5. Partners for Parks and Wildlife – Donnie Dann

BCN is a member of PPW. They are asking for funds from their members. We agreed to send them \$250 to support their ongoing efforts to fight the budget attack by the Governor.

6. Bylaws Revisions – Glenn Gabanski

It will be an agenda item at the July meeting. The revisions will be presented at the meeting with a follow-up vote at the fall meeting. It was agreed that the revised bylaws would be sent out as part of the announcement for the meeting.

The next regular BCN meeting will be July 9<sup>th</sup> at the DuPage Forest Preserve headquarters in Wheaton at 12:30pm.

Submitted,  
Randi Doeker  
Secretary