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## Monroe Conservation District Annual Meeting and Election

Monroe Conservation District will hold its 60th Annual Meeting on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Community Center, 1920 Lewis Avenue, Ida. Dinner will begin at 6:00, meeting/presentations will begin at 7:00 pm. This event is open to the public. Dinner tickets are available for \$10 at the Monroe Conservation District office. The meeting is free, and open to the public.

During the meeting, the election of directors will take place. Mark Chapman, Dennis Meyer, Zach Cooley and Andrew Karpenko will be running to maintain their seats on the board. The Friend of Conservation Award will be presented to a local resident, producer, or community partner who has exhibited a dedication toward the conservation of natural resources within Monroe County. Staff will give updates on the results of our 5-year Conservation Needs Assessment and program highlights from 2022.

We encourage residents, local officials, and community organizations to attend and learn about what the conservation district does. Residents of Monroe County who are of voting age are eligible and always encouraged to vote in our election of directors. Absentee ballots can be requested with proof of residence in-person or by mail and must be returned to the Monroe Conservation District office no later than close of business on March 6, 2023. Individuals who have an interest in advancing habitat restoration efforts, agricultural conservation practices, water quality improvement, and related educational programming within the community and would like to be more involved should also consider joining the board as an associate director or running for a seat in future elections.

Donations to the Monroe Conservation District are tax-deductible and always appreciated. Please consider sponsoring our annual meeting and dinner to help us continue to provide services to support the preservation of natural resources in Monroe County.

Please contact Brittany Santure, District Manager, at the Monroe Conservation District Office (1137 S. Telegraph Rd. Monroe, MI 48161) or by phone 734-241-8540 ext 5 with any questions.