



## FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF KANE COUNTY

### LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE MINUTES

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#### I. Call to Order

The Forest Preserve District Land Acquisition Committee meeting was held Thursday, October 27, 2022 at 8:30 AM at the Administration Offices located at 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, IL 60134. Chair Jarett Sanchez opened the meeting at 8:35 AM. Remote=\*

#### Members Present:

<u>Attendee Name:</u>	<u>Status:</u>
President Chris Kious	Present
Chair Jarett Sanchez	Present
Commissioner Deborah Allan	Present*
Commissioner Mark Davoust	Absent
Commissioner Ron Ford	Present
Commissioner Drew Frasz	Absent
Commissioner Anita Lewis	Present*
Commissioner John Martin	Present
Commissioner Kenneth Shepro	Absent

#### Others Present:

Commissioners: Bates\*; Kenyon, Wojnicki; Exec. Dir. Meyers; CFO Stanish & staff Petschke; Chief of Planning Rooks-Lopez & staff Rafferty; Dir. of NR Haberthur; Dir. of Community Affairs Metanchuk; Chief of Police Burger; Attorney Hodge and Exec. Assist. Figliozi.

#### II. Approval of Minutes from September 29, 2022

*Commissioner Ford called for unanimous consent to approve the minutes.*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ron Ford, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Jarett Sanchez,
<b>Absent:</b>	Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Kenneth C. Shepro

#### III. Public Comment (Each Speaker is limited to three minutes)

*None.*

#### IV. Closed Session to Discuss Land Acquisition, License Agreements, Potential Litigation and Personnel

The Committee moved into Executive Closed Session at 8:36 AM to discuss land acquisition.

**RESULT:** APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Deborah Allan, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** John Martin, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Jarett Sanchez  
**ABSENT:** Drew Frasz, Mark Davoust, Kenneth C. Shepro

The committee returned to Open Session at 8:50 AM on a motion by Martin and second by Ford. Roll call vote was taken, unanimous vote.

#### V. New or Unfinished Business

*Chair Sanchez presented a resolution to approve a Purchase for Approximately 23.8 Acres Adjacent to Dick Young Forest Preserve in Blackberry Township.*

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**RESULT:** MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS] Next: 11/3/2022 8:30 AM  
**TO:** Executive Committee  
**MOVER:** Ron Ford, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** John Martin, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Drew Frasz, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Jarett Sanchez  
**ABSENT:** Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Kenneth C. Shepro

#### VI. Communications

*Exe. Dir. Meyers reported, the two properties, owned by the Doetsch family and the Colby family has been scheduled to close at the end of the month. This will increase the total acreage for the District.*

#### VII. Chairman's Comments

*None.*

#### VIII. Adjournment

*The meeting adjourned at 8:53 AM*

**RESULT:** ADJOURNED BY VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Ron Ford, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** John Martin, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Jarett Sanchez  
**ABSENT:** Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Kenneth C. Shepro

Jarett Sanchez, Chairman  
Forest Preserve District Land Acquisition Committee  
Forest Preserve District of Kane County

Respectfully Submitted,

*Gabriella Figliozi*

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Recording Secretary



**FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF KANE COUNTY**  
**LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**  
**OCTOBER 27, 2022**

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The Forest Preserve District Land Acquisition Committee meeting was held on October 27, 2022 at 8:30 AM via zoom and in person at the District's Head Quarters, 1996 S. Kirk Rd., Suite 320 Geneva, IL 60134. The meeting was called to order by Chair Jarett Sanchez. The Committee entered into a Closed Session to discuss land acquisition at 8:36 AM, a roll call vote was taken. Remote=\*

**Attendance:** Chair Sanchez, Allan\*, Ford, Kious, Lewis\*, Martin

**Absent:** Davoust, Frasz, Shepro

**Others Present:**

Commissioners: Bates\*; Kenyon, Wojnicki; Exec. Dir. Meyers; CFO Stanish & staff Petschke; Chief of Planning Rooks-Lopez; Dir. of NR Haberthur; Dir. of Community Affairs Metanchuk; Chief of Police Burger; Attorney Hodge and Exec. Assist. Figliozzi.

**The Committee moved into Executive Closed Session at 8:35 a.m. to discuss Land Acquisition.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Deborah Allan, Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Martin, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Jarett Sanchez
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Drew Frasz, Mark Davoust, Kenneth C. Shepro

**DISCUSSION:**

*Exec. Dir. Meyers discussed new parcels for consideration to acquire, properties in negotiations, property closings and an update on other information previously discussed. District's current acreage totals 23,126.414; Updated March 31, 2022 (This is an approximation until final deed recording and GIS updated).*

*NRM Dir. Haberthur presented an update on the Alice Dow property, 23.8 acres in Blackberry Township adjacent to the Dick Young Forest Preserve. Staff has reached a deal at \$20,000 per acre. Closing is moving forward. The family discussed a parcel to the south totaling 100 acres. The family is in discussions for a potential sale in the future. Exec. Dir. Meyers indicated a resolution to acquire would be presented in open session for approval.*

**DISCUSSION:** Questions were answered from the committee.

*Exec. Dir. Meyers presented a recommend construction plan from Kane County's Division of Transportation (KDOT) to remove a temporary light in the intersection of the Settler's Hill Golf Course entrance. KDOT is proposing to widen the road for a turn lane when driving eastbound on Fabyan Parkway turning into the Golf Course. The plans for construction would be 2023/2024, an temporary right of way construction easement will be required. KDOT would be funding the project 100%.*

**DISCUSSION:** President Kious asked for clarification on the westbound lane, noting it would not be modified into a turn lane. Meyers responded that the plans do not include a turn lane west bound, as it would not be needed, however the lane may be widened. Commissioner Martin stated that the need to modify this intersection has been a discussion for many years. Meyers stated that KDOT has been working to increase safety in this area this would be a phase I of improvements.

Exec. Dir. Meyers provided an update on the Burlington Northern Railroad easement request. The railroad requested an easement for approximately 2.75 acres in Barnes Forest Preserve (Aurora Township) to expand by one additional rail for the creation of a commuter line. The District entered into the agreement with a stipulation of \$5,000 to be paid to the District. The agreement expired and the railroad paid another \$5,000 for the new extension agreement in 2021. The newest agreement has now expired once again and the District has not had any communication with the railroad since. The project has now been placed on hold until further communication.

**DISCUSSION:** Brief conversation occurred.

The committee returned to Open Session at 8:50 AM on a motion by Martin and second by Ford. Roll call vote was taken, unanimous vote.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>EXIT CLOSED SESSION BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	John Martin, Commissioner
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ron Ford, Commissioner
<b>AYES:</b>	Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Chris Kious, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Jarett Sanchez
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Drew Frasz, Mark Davoust, Kenneth C. Shepro

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