



Government Center
719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A
Geneva, IL 60134

Forest Preserve District Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 8, 2025

8:30 AM

County Board Room

I. Call to Order

The Forest Preserve District Full Commission meeting was held Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at the Kane County Government Center located at 719 S. Batavia Ave., Geneva, IL 60134. President Lenert called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

Remote Attendance Approval

Commissioner Daugherty

II. Roll Call

PRESENT

- President Forest Preserve District Bill Lenert
- Secretary Forest Preserve District Mo Iqbal
- Commissioner Deborah Allan (Arrived in person at 8:44AM)
- Commissioner Alex Arroyo
- Commissioner Mavis Bates
- Commissioner Sonia Garcia (Arrived in person at 8:32AM)
- Commissioner Jon Gripe
- Commissioner Michelle Gumz
- Commissioner Leslie Juby
- Commissioner Chris Kious
- Commissioner Anita Lewis (Arrived in person at 8:39AM)
- Commissioner Michael Linder
- Commissioner Myrna Molina
- Commissioner Ted Penesis
- Commissioner Bill Roth
- Commissioner Jarett Sanchez (Arrived in person at 8:35AM)
- Commissioner Cheryl Strathmann
- Commissioner Bill Tarver
- Commissioner Vern Tepe
- Commissioner Rick Williams
- REMOTE:** Commissioner Gary Daugherty
- ABSENT:** Commissioner Dale Berman
- Commissioner Clifford Surges
- Commissioner David Young

Also Present: Exec. Dir. Haberthur, Dir. of Finance Petschke; Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez & staff Tegge; HR Dir. Clough; NRM Dir. Chess & staff Blackburn; Ops. Dir. Jensen & staff Sparks; Dir. of Comm. Engagement Metanchuk & Staff Kovach, intern Purser; Chief of Police Burger; Attorney Hodge, Price; Exec. Assist. Figliozzi, KCIT staff Peters and members of the public.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

President Lenert asked Commissioner Linder to lead the pledge.

IV. Public Comment (Each Speaker is limited to 3 minutes)

None.

V. Presentation and Approval of the Minutes from June 10, 2025

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

MOVER: Chris Kious

AYE: Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Dale Berman, Anita Lewis, Jarett Sanchez, Clifford Surges, David Young

VI. Presentation and Approval of the Bills and Commissioners' Per Diem from June 2025

RESULT: ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Mavis Bates

SECONDER: Jon Gripe

AYE: Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Dale Berman, Anita Lewis, Jarett Sanchez, Clifford Surges, David Young

VII. Presentations

None.

VIII. Finance and Administration

(Commissioner Sanchez arrived in person at 8:35AM)

FP-O-25-07-0617An Ordinance Providing for the Issue and Sale of Not to Exceed \$50,000,000 of General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds for Land Acquisition and Development and for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Principal of and Interest on Such Bonds.

President Lenert presented the ordinance.

DISCUSSION: *None.*

RESULT: ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth

SECONDER: Ted Penesis

AYE: Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Dale Berman, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges, David Young

FP-R-25-07-3163Resolution Authorizing a Four-Year Professional Service Agreement for Legal Counsel Services with Ancel Glink, P.C.

President Lenert presented the agreement for legal services. Kinnally Flaherty Krentz Loran Hodge & Masur P.C. has been the District's general legal counsel since 1991. The District issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for general legal counsel at the direction of the board in May 2025. There were seven qualified respondents to the RFP. Staff selected the top three firms from those respondents, and interviewed them to determine the most qualified based upon related experience, qualifications, firm approach, and the proposed pricing that best fit the District's needs. Ancel Glink P.C. was the firm that was rated highest among the very qualified pool of respondents. They currently have 45 attorneys and have a long history of successful and innovative work on behalf of forest preserve districts, park districts, and other governmental bodies. The firm concentrates on the representation of units of government, and they have the depth and breadth of experience among their attorneys serving those agencies. In conjunction with the Illinois Association of Park Districts, they also assist in the pursuit of

new legislation for the benefit of their clients. The firm also has a focus on educating both local government officials and employees by providing customized training courses, a blog that they call the "Municipal Minute" and an electronic newsletter called "Ancel Glink Today." The proposal from Ancel Glink excludes "specialty" representation such as litigation and collective bargaining. If the District utilized representation for any of these services it would be billed in quarter-hour increments at a rate of:

- \$300 per hour for Partners and Sr. Counsel
- \$250 per hour for Associates
- \$125 per hour for Paralegals

The total fee included in the proposal by Ancel Glink is \$36,000 for general counsel matters, plus reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses estimated to be less than \$1,200 per year. Even though this engagement excludes legal representation such as litigation and collective bargaining, the District believes that the savings in legal retainer fees will allow the District to engage Ancel Glink as needed on an hourly basis, and still align with the budget approved by the board. Ancel Glink P.C. agreed to hold this retainer at the same cost through June 30, 2027, to align with the District's fiscal year. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Mike Linder

SECONDER: Mavis Bates

AYE: Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Dale Berman, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges, David Young

FP-R-25-07-3164 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of One (1) Tandem Axle Dump Truck for Use by the Operations Department Through the State of Illinois Procurement Contract

(Commissioner Lewis arrived in person at 8:39AM) Ops. Dir. Jensen provided a brief presentation of the purchase of the truck. Funding was approved in the fiscal year 2026 budget for the replacement of truck #416, a 2006 International 7400 Workstar, 6x4 tandem axle, with dump body. Truck #416 will have approximately 20 years of service at the time the replacement is received. The odometer currently reads 70,275 miles. It has been experiencing a higher rate of required maintenance due to common wear and tear and corrosion-related issues. The District's fleet team assessed all the heavy-duty trucks for mechanical condition, and cooperatively worked with the Operations Managers on frequency of use, current requirements, and projected future needs. The District currently has two tandem-axle dump trucks, one assigned to the Trades Division, truck #106, and this vehicle, assigned to South Operations. They are the largest trucks in the District fleet and are shared throughout the District. They serve as transportation for heavy equipment and for large-scale material hauling including bringing in mulch, aggregate, soil for construction projects and for hauling-off debris from demolitions. Funds totaling \$180,000 were budgeted in the South Operations Automotive Equipment account, for the replacement of Truck #416. Sufficient funds of \$180,000 will be available as of July 1, 2025, to cover the purchase cost of \$169,187. Staff is recommending the Committee approve the purchase of one (1) International HV607 with dump body from Rush Truck Center of Springfield, Illinois, as presented, for a total cost of \$169,187. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Rick Williams

SECONDER: Bill Roth

AYE: Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez,

ABSENT: Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams
Deborah Allan, Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

FP-R-25-07-3165 Resolution Approving the Bid for the Chassis Cab Upfitting for Three Ford F-450 Trucks

Ops. Dir. Jensen provided a brief presentation of the bid. Trucks #322, #324, and #425 had originally been budgeted for replacement during Fiscal Year 2023/24. Due to vehicle shortages, the completely upfitted and ready-to-utilize vehicles were unavailable. Therefore, the District took advantage of an opportunity to purchase available chassis cabs, in an effort to source the much-needed replacements for the District's fleet. Three Ford F-450 chassis cabs were received during Fiscal Year 2024/25, after being delayed for a year due to manufacturer shortages. This upfitting proposal includes the purchase and installation of the necessary equipment on those chassis' cabs. Each of the three chassis cabs will receive an 11' stainless steel dump body with trunnion mount, telescopic hoist, a stainless steel, under tailgate, direct-drive salt spreader, a 9'6" Western MVP snowplow, a 2.5" receiver hitch, top mount and corner safety strobe-light package with power distribution panel, and DOT-required marker lights and reflecting striping, at a cost of \$71,354 per truck, a total cost of \$214,062. Henderson Products, Inc. is a qualified distributor through National Purchasing Partners Government (NPPG), a cooperative purchasing group that satisfies the public bid requirements. NPPG has recently become more competitive, compared to other governmental procurement options, and allows the District to recognize a combined \$16,125 of savings compared to the retail price. Funds totaling \$215,070 have been approved for fiscal year 2025/26 in the Fleet/Trades Automotive Equipment account. Funds will be available as of July 1, 2025, to sufficiently cover the total cost of \$214,062. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Rick Williams

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

IX. Land Acquisition

FP-R-25-07-3166 Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Easement Agreement Between the Forest Preserve District of Kane County and the Village of Carpentersville at Fox River Shores Forest Preserve

(Commissioner Allan arrived in person at 8:44AM)

Dir. of Planning and Land protection Rooks-Lopez presented the intergovernmental easement agreement with Carpentersville. The Village of Carpentersville is seeking to acquire a permanent easement for stormwater management. The permanent easement will allow the Village of Carpentersville to construct and maintain a stormwater conveyance system for the newly permitted Habitat for Humanity development at the northeast intersection of Kings and Algonquin Roads. The proposed intergovernmental easement agreement permits the Village of Carpentersville to construct and maintain a stormwater structure through the Fox River Shores Forest Preserve and under the Fox River Trail, to serve as the stormwater outfall for the Habitat for Humanity development.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT: ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Chris Kious

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

X. Planning and Utilization

FP-R-25-07-3167 Resolution Approving the Purchase of One (1) Schulte XH1500 Mower for the Natural Resource Management Department

*Dir. of NRM Chess presented the purchase of the mower. Based on the District's replacement schedule, one (1) Schulte XH1500 mow deck was approved for replacement in the 2025/26 budget. The Natural Resource Management department currently owns and operates two Schulte XH1500 mow decks. These decks are 15-feet wide with dual batwings, and are pulled behind large tractors, across the landscape. Primarily, these mowers are utilized to control herbaceous biennial and annual weeds, like sweet clover and wild parsnip. Additionally, they are instrumental in the creation of burn breaks in the fall and spring. The current mow decks were originally purchased in 2001 and 2004, making them 24 and 21 years old and approaching the end of their life expectancy. After 20 years of hard work, busting through brush and bouncing across the uneven prairies, both units are starting to experience increased maintenance issues. These range from hydraulic malfunctions to broken blades, gear boxes, and jumpers. The replacement of one mower will allow staff to focus repair efforts on the second unit, while ensuring that at least one tractor is mowing at all times. We are requesting the utilization of the Sourcewell Joint Purchasing Program for the purchase of the replacement mow deck. German-Bliss Equipment Inc. of Princeville, IL is an authorized Sourcewell dealer. Schulte has a Sourcewell contract providing a 32% reduction off of MSRP for the mower. As the attached quotation reflects, the total purchase price is \$45,171.60. **DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Iqbal asked if the District could get a lower quote through the vendor directly rather than going through Sourcewell. Dir. Chess responded that the local vendor, Schulte provided the same quote outside of the Sourcewell program.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Mike Linder

SECONDER: Cherryl Strathmann

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

FP-R-25-07-3168 Resolution Approving a Bid for Construction of Phase II Site Improvements at Brunner Family Forest Preserve

*Landscape Architect Tegge presented the following bid for construction. The Brunner Family Forest Preserve (709.22 acres) and Buffalo Park Forest Preserve (28.46 acres) total 737.68 acres and are located in the northeast corner of Kane County. In 2024, the District completed improvements including a new shelter, bathroom, trail connection from the northerly parking lot to shelter/bathroom parking lot, and a new sled hill. Additional improvements that are being proposed for Phase II include grading and drainage improvements along the older section of limestone trail and resurfacing the section of asphalt trail. The District conducted a formal bid process for the improvements. Bids were publicly advertised with 36 document takers through the online bidding platform and four bidders responding. The responsible, lowest bidder is Obsidian Asphalt Paving, Inc. with a base bid of \$459,706.71. Additionally, \$15,293.29 shall be set aside as contingency to cover any unanticipated additional costs that may arise during construction, for a total project amount of \$475,000.00. **DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Kious commented that he often rides his bike at Brunner Forest Preserve, stating that the site improvements are needed and is looking forward to it.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Bill Roth

SECONDER: Chris Kious

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert,

Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams
Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

ABSENT:

FP-R-25-07-3169 Resolution Approving a Contract with Wight & Company for Professional Design and Grant Assistance Services for a Wildlife Observation Platform at Muirhead Springs Forest Preserve

Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez provided a brief presentation. Muirhead Springs Forest Preserve contains the first wetland mitigation bank created by the District. The volume and diversity of birds that have returned to this wetland is unrivaled by any previous projects completed by the District. Multiple state and federal threatened and endangered species have been seen utilizing the site, and the word of this success is widespread amongst the “birding” community. As a result, birders have inundated the site hoping for glimpses of these rarities. This increase in visitors to the preserve has created issues with the establishment of the wetland plants required for the mitigation bank. The proposed wildlife-observation platform was included as a key project for the 2024 Land Acquisition & Preserve Improvement Referendum. It includes the construction of a raised observation deck that would be installed close to the water. It would allow visitors of differing abilities access to view the birds and the wetland, without causing damage to the plant community and disturbing the birds’ activities. The District plans to seek funding assistance from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Open Space Land Acquisition & Development grant (OSLAD) which, if awarded, would reimburse up to \$600,000 for development. A successful OSLAD grant application will require a site plan as well as preliminary design and cost for the wildlife platform. To help with the design, permitting and grant assistance for this unique project, the District utilized a request for qualifications process to select a consultant. Six firms responded; Wight & Company was selected. A scope of work was developed and a total fee of \$26,000 was established. Additionally, \$1,000 shall be set aside as contingency to cover any unanticipated additional costs that may arise during design, for a total contract price not to exceed \$27,000. **DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Bates noted that the birding community is looking forward to the project.*

- RESULT:** ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE
- MOVER:** Bill Roth
- SECONDER:** Ted Penesis
- AYE:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams
- ABSENT:** Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

FP-R-25-07-3170 Resolution Approving a Contract with Christopher B. Burke Engineering Ltd. for Professional Engineering Services

Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the contact for professional engineering services. In 2024, the District acquired 298 acres in Huntley, at the southwest intersection of Illinois Route 47 (IL-47) and Interstate 90 (I-90). The property includes old oaks, a never-plowed sedge meadow, and more than 25 acres of prime waterfowl habitat. During the acquisition process, it was discovered that the approved entrance to the property is located at the edge of the eastbound I-90 exit ramp and IL-47. As part of the acquisition, an access easement on IL-47 was granted to the District by the adjacent property owner and the Village of Huntley. However, before a new entrance can be constructed, the District must also seek approval from IDOT. CBBEL was retained by the Village of Huntley in 2021 to prepare an intersection and traffic-light study for this section of IL-47, and therefore has a privileged understanding of the project area, existing site conditions, and needs of the Village of Huntley. A scope of work was developed, and CBBEL submitted a proposal for engineering and permitting services for \$34,200. Additionally, \$4,000 shall be set aside as contingency to cover any unanticipated additional costs that may arise during design and permitting, for a total project amount of

\$38,200. Staff recommends approval of a contract with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd., of Rosemont, Illinois, for professional engineering services which include: traffic analysis, design and permitting of an entrance at Illinois Route 47 for \$34,200, plus a contingency of \$4,000 to cover any unanticipated additional costs that may arise during design and permitting, in an amount not to exceed \$38,200. **DISCUSSION:** *Brief conversation regarding the design and timing of the easement approval with IDOT. Once the approval is granted, the District can move forward with construction.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Ted Penesis

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

FP-R-25-07-3171 Resolution Approving a Contract with WBK Engineering for Professional Engineering Services to Relocate the Eakin Creek Crossing at Rutland Forest Preserve

Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the contract for engineering services. Rutland Forest Preserve is a large preserve located just west of Elgin on Big Timber Road. The area of the preserve north of Big Timber Road has been improved with picnic areas, parking, and trails. The area south of Big Timber Road has some areas of wetland along Eakin Creek, which flows through the site, however a majority of the site is currently farmed in the District's agriculture program. Currently, access to the agricultural field utilizes an easement with the adjacent land owner. The current crossing over the creek is very narrow for the wide farming equipment, and the supporting footings are beginning to fail. In 2017, WBK Engineering was retained by the District to review the existing conditions and recommend the best approach to address concerns. It was determined that the best long-term solution would be to abandon and remove the existing crossing, and construct a new wider structure further to the east. The new location would allow the District to eliminate the shared access easement with the adjacent land owner, to reduce risk and establish a future public access to the southern half of Rutland Forest Preserve. The wider crossing will be safer for the current farmer and District maintenance vehicles it and will be designed in such a way as to accommodate pedestrians when the area is restored. WBK has a privileged understanding of the project and required permitting, as the engineer that completed the initial study for the District. A scope of work was developed, and WBK submitted a proposal for engineering and permitting services of \$27,760. Additionally, \$3,000 shall be set aside as contingency to cover any unanticipated additional costs that may arise during design and permitting, for a total project amount of \$30,760. Funds totaling \$135,000 were budgeted in the 2025/26 fiscal year, for engineering, permitting and construction. **DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Juby stated her support of the contract with WBK, noting that the communication is important. President Lenert stated that the quicker this can move, the better to address the current concerns.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Jon Gripe

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

XI. Executive
None.

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

None.

XIII. New or Unfinished Business

FP-R-25-07-3172 Resolution of Commendation for Gerald K. Hodge

Exec. Dir. Haberthur presented the resolution of commendation for Gerry Hodge. Attorney Hodge thanked the Commission and staff for all of the positive work relationships throughout the many years.

DISCUSSION: *None.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Rick Williams

SECONDER: Jon Gripe

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

XIV. Communications

Comm. Engagement Dir. Metanchuk reported on the various environmental education programs. The summer youth fishing programs are now available, additionally, the kayaking along the Fox River program is open for registration. Information can be located on the District's website as well as the Treeline newsletter.

XV. President's Comments

President Lenert thanked the Commission for voting in favor of the bond ordinance noting that funding would provide the ability to move forward, grow and to protect more land.

XVI. Department Reports

RESULT: **ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE**

MOVER: Chris Kious

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

XVII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:15AM

RESULT: **APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE**

MOVER: Bill Roth

SECONDER: Mike Linder

AYE: Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

ABSENT: Dale Berman, Clifford Surges, David Young

Bill Lenert, President
Forest Preserve District Commission
Forest Preserve District of Kane County

Respectfully Submitted,

Gabriella Figliozi

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Recording Secretary

Mohammad Iqbal
Board Secretary