



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

## Forest Preserve District Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

8:30 AM

County Board Room

### I. Call to Order

The Forest Preserve District Full Commission meeting was held Tuesday, June 10, 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

*Commissioners Daugherty, Penesis, Sanchez*

#### PRESENT

President Forest Preserve District Bill Lenert  
Secretary Forest Preserve District Mo Iqbal  
Commissioner Deborah Allan (Arrived in person at 8:49AM)  
Commissioner Alex Arroyo (Arrived in person at 8:47AM)  
Commissioner Mavis Bates (Arrived in person at 8:32AM)  
Commissioner Dale Berman  
Commissioner Sonia Garcia  
Commissioner Jon Gripe  
Commissioner Michelle Gumz  
Commissioner Leslie Juby  
Commissioner Chris Kious  
Commissioner Michael Linder  
Commissioner Myrna Molina  
Commissioner Bill Roth  
Commissioner Cherryl Strathmann  
Commissioner Bill Tarver  
Commissioner Vern Tepe  
Commissioner Rick Williams  
Commissioner David Young  
**REMOTE:** Commissioner Gary Daugherty  
Commissioner Ted Penesis  
**ABSENT:** Commissioner Jarett Sanchez  
Commissioner Anita Lewis  
Commissioner Clifford Surges

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

### III. Pledge of Allegiance

*President Lenert asked Finance Intern Liam Thompson to lead the pledge. (Commissioner Bates arrived in person at 8:32AM)*

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

*Patrick Murtaugh, of the Geneva Grotto Organization commented on the restoration efforts of the creek conducted by the District and Kane County. He promoted the restoration of the grotto and*

*the funding opportunity to continue the efforts.*

**V. Presentation and Approval of the Minutes from May 13, 2025**

**RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

**MOVER:** Bill Roth

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

**ABSENT:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Leslie Juby, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

**VI. Presentation and Approval of the Bills and Commissioners' Per Diem of May 2025**

**RESULT: ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

**MOVER:** Chris Kious

**SECONDER:** Mavis Bates

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Sonia Garcia, Jon Gripe, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Ted Penesis, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

**ABSENT:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Leslie Juby, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

**VII. Public Hearing**

**Public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell not to exceed \$50,000,000 of General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds** (*Commissioner Juby arrived in person at 8:37AM*)

At 8:37 o'clock A.M., the President announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Commissioners was a public hearing (the "*Hearing*") to receive public comments on the proposal to sell not to exceed \$50,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds (the "*Bonds*") for the purpose of acquiring land and developing land in and for the District, and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto.

The President opened the discussion and explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Bonds were as follows: for the purpose of acquiring land and developing land in and for the District.

Whereupon the President asked for additional comments from the Commissioners. Additional comments were made by the following: *None.*

Written testimony concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds was read into the record by the Secretary and is attached hereto as Exhibit I: *None.*

Whereupon the President asked for oral testimony or any public comments concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds. Statements were made by the following: *None.*

The President then announced that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the Bonds.

*Commissioner Williams* moved and *Commissioner Iqbal* seconded the motion that the Hearing be finally adjourned. After a full discussion thereof, the President directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion.

Upon the roll being called, the following Commissioners voted AYE:

President Forest Preserve District Bill Lenert  
Secretary Forest Preserve District Mo Iqbal  
Commissioner Mavis Bates  
Commissioner Dale Berman  
Commissioner Gary Daugherty (Remote)  
Commissioner Sonia Garcia  
Commissioner Jon Gripe  
Commissioner Michelle Gumz  
Commissioner Leslie Juby  
Commissioner Chris Kious  
Commissioner Michael Linder  
Commissioner Myrna Molina  
Commissioner Ted Penesis (Remote)  
Commissioner Bill Roth  
Commissioner Jarett Sanchez (Remote)  
Commissioner Cheryl Strathmann  
Commissioner Bill Tarver  
Commissioner Rick Williams  
Commissioner David Young

The following Commissioners voted PRESENT: Commissioner Vern Tepe

The following Commissioners voted NAY: *None*.

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and the Hearing was finally adjourned at 8:40AM.

Other business not pertinent to the conduct of the Hearing was duly transacted at said meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

## VIII. Finance and Administration

### **FP-O-25-06-0616 Ordinance Amending “An Ordinance Setting the Salary Ranges of Employee Positions for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County”**

*President Lenert presented the ordinance.* The Commission approved a new step schedule compensation model in 2024 that adjusted salary ranges for the first time since 2017. The new compensation plan was implemented to support the District's intention to recruit and retain employees by offering competitive pay. The new plan placed employees' pay closer to the regional average of pay for each position compared to other local agencies.

The step schedule has been updated to reflect a 2.9% increase to all salary ranges effective July 1, 2025, consistent with the FY2025-2026 annual budget approved by the Commission on May 13, 2025. This adjustment ensures the District's compensation plan stays in line with the market, and is consistent with the recommendations of the comprehensive study of the District's compensation and classification plan completed in 2024.

This annual review process includes the assignment of new, reclassified, and retitled positions to the step schedule since the last commission approved update, which was August, 2024. They include:

Reclassified: Plant Technician to Plant Ecologist

Retitled: Buyer (Previously titled Procurement Administrator)

Employee compensation is adjusted consistent with the increase to the step schedule. The FY2025-2026 annual budget included an economic factor adjustment to all ranges in the salary schedule of 2.9%. The financial impact for the economic factor increase is \$171,352.00.

**DISCUSSION:** *None.*

**RESULT:** **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**MOVER:** Michelle Gumz  
**SECONDER:** Mavis Bates  
**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young  
**ABSENT:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

**FP-R-25-06-3159 Resolution Approving the 2026 Update to the 2015 Comprehensive Master Plan**

*President Lenert presented the update to the Comprehensive Master Plan.* The District has been utilizing a holistic master-planning process for more than 20 years. With a focus on collaboration with residents, board members and staff, this planning has enabled the District make continual progress towards meeting our mission-driven goals. During this time frame, master planning has led to the protection of an additional 11,000+ acres of land, and the actualization of millions of dollars in natural areas restoration, site development, facility construction, and large, capital infrastructure projects. A new, 10-year, adaptive-strategy master plan, known as the District’s 2035 Plan, is in the final stages of review. However, successful passage of the 2024 Land Acquisition & Preserve Improvement Referendum necessitated additional revisions to the document, to ensure that it serves as the framework for future developments. Therefore, an extra 2026 Update to the 2015 Comprehensive Master Plan has been prepared as an interim master plan, to ensure no lapse in planning coverage, and so financial reports associated with the Master Plan are current and reflect the 2025/26 Fiscal Year.

The 2026 Update contains financial reports on the District’s Land Acquisition and Construction & Development funds, and highlights the top 20 upcoming capital projects. The plan also features details on some of our most exciting referendum promises — including a new wildlife-viewing platform at Muirhead Springs Forest Preserve, expansion of the bison-reintroduction project at Burlington Prairie Forest Preserve, and engineering and construction of a new Urban Ecology Field Station in Aurora.

**DISCUSSION:** *None.*

**RESULT:** **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**MOVER:** Bill Roth  
**SECONDER:** Jon Gripe  
**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young  
**ABSENT:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

**IX. Land Acquisition - None.**

**X. Planning and Utilization**

**FP-R-25-06-3160 Resolution Approving a Bid for Cattail Control At Six (6) Forest Preserves**

*President Lenert presented the bid for the cattail control.* Native broad-leaved cattail (*Typha latifolia*) was once abundant across the Kane County landscape comprising an important role in the composition of marshes. Over time, the introduced narrow-leaved cattail (*Typha angustifolia*), and hybrid cattail (*Typha x glauca*) have largely replaced the native species. Hybrid cattail is an aggressively spreading species that often forms monotypic stands of itself, at the exclusion of native flora and fauna. Its dense growth habit minimizes its utility to native wetland fauna; ducks cannot swim through mature stands, and its quickly closes open pockets of water used by turtles

to bask. Drought conditions present over the previous couple summers have exacerbated this issue by presenting low water level conditions ripe for cattail invasion. To combat this spread, the District utilizes a variety of treatment methods including mechanical and chemical control. As cattail populations commonly occur in standing water, access can be difficult without the use of specialized amphibious equipment that the District does not own. Accordingly, contractors were sought to bid on summer 2025 control projects of multiple, separate infestations of cattail across six preserves.

**DISCUSSION:**None.

**RESULT:** ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**MOVER:** Chris Kious

**SECONDER:** Cheryl Strathmann

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

**ABSENT:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

### **FP-R-25-06-3161 Resolution Approving a Bid for Fuel Software and Fuel Delivery Replacement at Six (6) District Fueling Sites**

*(Commissioner Arroyo arrived in person at 8:47AM) Dir. of Operations Jensen presented the bid for fuel software and delivery. The District currently owns and operates six (6) fuel stations for District vehicles and equipment. Those sites are located as follows:*

1. North Operations Maintenance Facility at Muirhead Forest Preserve
2. Jon J. Duerr Forest Preserve
3. Natural Resources Management Facility at Mill Creek Forest Preserve
4. Trades and Fleet Maintenance Facility at Campton Forest Preserve
5. Horticulture Facility at Fabyan Forest Preserve
6. South Operations Maintenance Facility at Grunwald Forest Preserve

Each site consists of a fuel containment tank, dispensing pumps, a two-factor authentication panel, and communication hardware. The current OPW (OPW Global) software and Gasboy pump combinations were purchased and installed in the early 1990's. In 2024, the Kane County Information Technology (IT) department contacted the District to express the urgent need to replace this outdated technology as OPW no longer makes repair parts and has discontinued tech support. IT made the same recommendation to other county departments running similar fuel management and delivery systems including the Kane Department of Transportation (KDOT) and the Sheriff's Department. The District is the last to make a recommendation for replacement and has determined the current offerings from OPW's DX Fleet is the best fit for the District. Staff was able to visit KDOT, who recently installed the same system, and verify that the software system would meet the District's immediate needs and offer compatibility with future maintenance and repair software available to assist the Fleet Division. The pumps will be replaced with Fillrite FR702VRU cabinets, which have a reputation of being economical, simple, and rugged.

Staff completed a thorough analysis of the fuel software companies available through Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program; considering costs, annual subscription fees, current needs, and future capabilities. Petroleum Technologies Equipment, Inc. of Lyons, IL is the authorized regional distributor for the DX Fleet software and Fillrite pumps at a cost of \$135,468.00. Combining the software and pump package allowed the District to realize an additional 10% savings on the pumps. Additionally, staff is recommending a 5% contingency of \$6,773.40 to cover any unforeseen installation costs or modifications needed to existing containment tanks and stands that will remain in use, for a project total of \$142,241.40.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**RESULT:** **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**MOVER:** Bill Roth  
**SECONDER:** Mike Linder  
**AYE:** Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young  
**ABSENT:** Deborah Allan, Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

**XI. Executive**

**FP-R-25-06-3162 Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Purchase of an HVAC System for the Settler’s Hill Golf Course Clubhouse**

The District was notified in late May, by Landscapes Golf Management, that the air-conditioning was not functioning at the Settler’s Hill Golf Course clubhouse. A vendor was contacted by with the intention of repairing the current units. Upon inspection of the 2 commercial units and 1 residential unit on site, it was determined that only one of those was partially functioning and 2 of the units were inoperable. Further assessment revealed that one of the non-functioning commercial units was 26 years old and had not been in operation for years. It appears that the District’s prior golf management company, GolfVisions, installed the residential unit at the time of that failure. Installation of a residential unit would have been a significant reduction in price at the time, but it also does not provide adequate heating and cooling to meet the specifications of the structure and likely resulted in the failure due to overworking the remaining cooling system. Due to the age of the units ranging from 13 to 26 years old and the inability to source replacement parts, several vendors were contacted to provide recommendations and quotes for a full replacement. Based on the size of the structure, each vendor concluded that (2) 7.5-ton Carrier light commercial HVAC units would provide adequate volumes of air to maintain desired temperatures and the third residential unit was not needed. Since the initial visit, the third HVAC unit has also failed and temporary units have been put in place until a new cooling system can be installed.

The District obtained multiple quotes to ensure competitive pricing. Rabine Mechanical (Crystal Lake, IL) was the lowest qualified quote of \$62,380. District staff recommend an additional contingency of 10% in the amount of \$6,238 to cover any unanticipated expenses of this project.

**DISCUSSION:** *None. (Commissioner Allan arrived in person at 8:49AM)*

**RESULT:** **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**MOVER:** Mike Linder  
**SECONDER:** Bill Tarver  
**AYE:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, Cheryl Strathmann, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young  
**ABSENT:** Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

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

*None.*

**XIII. New or Unfinished Business**

**DOC-2025-16 Release of Closed Session Minutes**

*President Lenert presented the release of closed session minutes.* The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Commission with the information to consider the release of Closed

Session minutes and to request permission to destroy audio recordings of the same, which are older than 18 months and completely released. The Full Commission of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois has reviewed the minutes of Closed Sessions pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2.06 and has made a determination as to whether the need for confidentiality still exists as to all or part of those minutes which have not been fully made public. The Committee has determined that the need for confidentiality still exists as to all or part of the Closed Session minutes of 11/10/2020, 02/09/2021, 11/07/2022, 09/13/2022, 01/09/2024, 02/13/2024, and 04/08/2025. The Committee has determined that there is no longer a need for confidentiality as to all or part of the Closed Session minutes of 08/13/2024, 10/08/2024, and 02/11/2025.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**RESULT:** APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

**MOVER:** Chris Kious

**SECONDER:** Mavis Bates

**AYE:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, David Young

**ABSENT:** Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

*Commissioner Young asked about the reintroduction of bison project and what the status was. Exec. Dir. Haberthur explained that the reintroduction of bison project had been approved last year, the District wanted to move forward with a sole source provider, however this did not work out. The District has sent out a new RFP this year. The bid is currently out and should be moving forward. The location of the bison will be at Burlington Forest Preserve. Commissioner Young asked if it would be in the spring, etc. NRM Dir. chess explained that the window of moving bison is specific, typically they are moved in the fall, the winter is too harsh and the spring is when they are calving and not ideal. Typically, September or October is the ideal timeframe. Commissioner Linder asked if the fence and the area was ready. Cir. Chess explained that the fence and water was ready to go. President Lenert asked about how many bison would be brought on. Dir. Chess responded that it would be a decision once the District selects the farmer and a potential family group. Once the animals are brought on, the District would determine what would be an ideal number.*

*Commissioner Gripe expressed his gratitude of the District staff regarding the centennial celebration. He noted that the staff did an incredible job for the event and the atmosphere the District has created for the County overall.*

#### **XIV. Communications**

*Comm. Engagement Dir. Metanchuk reported on the Centennial, she shared photos and thanked all the volunteers and staff that attended and worked the event.*

#### **XV. President's Comments**

*President Lenert thanked the District staff and the volunteers, noting that the event was very well attended and appreciated everyone's hard work.*

#### **XVI. Department Reports**

**RESULT:** ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

**MOVER:** Mo Iqbal

**SECONDER:** Alex Arroyo

**AYE:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, David Young

**ABSENT:** Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

**XVII. Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 9:10AM*

**RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE**

**MOVER:** Bill Roth

**SECONDER:** Mike Linder

**AYE:** Deborah Allan, Alex Arroyo, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, 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, David Young

**ABSENT:** Anita Lewis, Clifford Surges

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

Respectfully Submitted,

*Gabriella Figliozzi*

Gabriella Figliozzi  
Recording Secretary

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Mohammad Iqbal  
Board Secretary

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MINUTES of a regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois, held at the Kane County Government Center, 719 Batavia Avenue, Geneva, Illinois at 8:30 o'clock A.M., on the 10th day of June, 2025.

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The meeting was called to order by the President, and upon the roll being called, Bill Lenert, the President, and the following Commissioners were physically present at said location: *Kane County Board Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Geneva, IL 60134.*

**PRESENT**            President Forest Preserve District Bill Lenert  
Secretary Forest Preserve District Mo Iqbal  
Commissioner Mavis Bates  
Commissioner Dale Berman  
Commissioner Gary Daugherty (Remote)  
Commissioner Sonia Garcia  
Commissioner Jon Gripe  
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Commissioner Jarett Sanchez (Remote)  
Commissioner Cherryl Strathmann  
Commissioner Bill Tarver  
Commissioner Vern Tepe  
Commissioner Rick Williams  
Commissioner David Young  
**ABSENT:**            Commissioner Deborah Allan  
Commissioner Alex Arroyo  
Commissioner Anita Lewis  
Commissioner Clifford Surges

The following Commissioners were allowed by a majority of the members of the Board of Commissioners in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the Board of Commissioners to attend the meeting by video or audio conference: Commissioner Gary Daugherty, Commissioner Ted Penesis, Commissioner Jarett Sanchez.

No Commissioner was not permitted to attend the meeting by video or audio conference.

The following Commissioners were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: Commissioner Deborah Allan Commissioner Alex Arroyo Commissioner Anita Lewis, Commissioner Clifford Surges.

At 8:37 o'clock A.M., the President announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Commissioners was a public hearing (the "*Hearing*") to receive public comments on the proposal to sell not to exceed \$50,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds (the "*Bonds*") for the purpose of acquiring land and developing land in and for the District, and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto.

The President opened the discussion and explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Bonds were as follows: for the purpose of acquiring land and developing land in and for the District.

Whereupon the President asked for additional comments from the Commissioners. Additional comments were made by the following: *None.*

Written testimony concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds was read into the record by the Secretary and is attached hereto as Exhibit I: *None.*

Whereupon the President asked for oral testimony or any public comments concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds. Statements were made by the following: *None.*

The President then announced that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the Bonds.

*Commissioner Williams* moved and *Commissioner Iqbal* seconded the motion that the Hearing be finally adjourned.

After a full discussion thereof, the President directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion.

Upon the roll being called, the following Commissioners voted AYE:

President Forest Preserve District Bill Lenert  
Secretary Forest Preserve District Mo Iqbal  
Commissioner Mavis Bates  
Commissioner Dale Berman  
Commissioner Gary Daugherty (Remote)  
Commissioner Sonia Garcia  
Commissioner Jon Gripe  
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Commissioner Ted Penesis (Remote)  
Commissioner Bill Roth  
Commissioner Jarett Sanchez (Remote)  
Commissioner Cheryl Strathmann  
Commissioner Bill Tarver  
Commissioner Rick Williams  
Commissioner David Young

The following Commissioners voted PRESENT: Commissioner Vern Tepe

The following Commissioners voted NAY: *None.*

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and the Hearing was finally adjourned.

Other business not pertinent to the conduct of the Hearing was duly transacted at said meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Secretary, Board of Commissioners

STATE OF ILLINOIS        )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF KANE         )

**CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois (the "Board"), and as such official I am the keeper of the records and files of the Board.

I do further certify that the foregoing constitute a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 10th day of June, 2025, insofar as the same relates to a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell not to exceed \$50,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds.

I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board at said meeting were conducted openly, that all votes taken at said meeting were taken openly, that said meeting was held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that an agenda for said meeting was posted at the location where said meeting was held and at the principal office of the Board at least 96 hours in advance of the holding of said meeting, that at least one copy of said agenda was continuously available for public review during the entire 96-hour period preceding said meeting, that a true, correct and complete copy of said agenda as so posted is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and the Bond Issue Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all of the provisions of said Acts and with all of the procedural rules of the Board in the conduct of said meeting.

I do further certify that notice of said public hearing was posted at least 96 hours before said public hearing at the principal office of the Board, that at least one copy of said notice was continuously available for public review during the entire 96-hour period preceding said public hearing and that attached hereto as *Exhibit B* is a true, correct and complete copy of said notice as so posted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature and the seal of said District, this 10th day of June, 2025.

[SEAL]



*Mohamed Iqbal*  
Secretary, Board of Commissioners

**EXHIBIT B**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF  
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
TO SELL NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX BONDS**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois (the "*District*"), will hold a public hearing on the 10th day of June, 2025, at 8:30 o'clock A.M. The hearing will be held at the Kane County Government Center, 719 Batavia Avenue, Geneva, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds of the District in the amount of not to exceed \$50,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring land and developing land in and for the District.

By order of the President of the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois.

DATED the 27th day of May, 2025.

Mohammad Iqbal  
Secretary, Board of Commissioners,  
Forest Preserve District of  
Kane County, Illinois

[TO BE POSTED AT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS]

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Secretary, Board of Commissioners,  
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Kane County, Illinois