



FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF KANE COUNTY

COMMISSION MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The Forest Preserve District Commission meeting was held Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 9:00 AM at Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A, Geneva, IL 60134. The meeting was opened by President Chris Kious at 9:02 AM. Remote=*

II. Pledge of Allegiance

President Kious asked IT staff Blair Peters to lead the pledge.

III. Roll Call

	Status:
President Chris Kious	Present
Commissioner Deborah Allan	Present*
Commissioner Mavis Bates	Present
Commission Dale Berman	Present
Commission David Brown	Present
Commissioner Mark Davoust	Present
Commissioner Ron Ford	Present
Commissioner Drew Frasz	Present
Commissioner Michelle Gumz	Present*
Commissioner Mo Iqbal	Present*
Commissioner Michael Kenyon	Present
Commissioner Tom Koppie	Present*(via Zoom @9:15 a.m.)
Commissioner Bill Lenert	Present
Commissioner Anita Lewis	Present
Commissioner John Martin	Present
Commissioner Myrna Molina	Present*
Commissioner Jarett Sanchez	Present*(via Zoom @ 9:15 a.m.)
Commissioner Kenneth Shepro	Present*
Commissioner Monica Silva	Present*
Commissioner Cherryl Strathmann	Present
Commissioner Cliff Surges	Present
Commissioner Vern Tepe	Present
Commissioner Barb Wojnicki	Present

Others Present:

Exec. Dir. Meyers; CFO Stanish & staff Petschke*; Natural Resources Dir. Haberthur & staff Rodeghero*; Chief of Planning Anderson Jr.; Dir. of Comm. Affairs Metanchuk; HR Dir. Yee*; Attorney Hodge*; Police Chief Burger; Auditor Wegman; KCIT Peters; Recording Secretary Figliozzi.

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

None.

V. Presentation and Approval of the Minutes of April 13, 2021

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michelle Gumz, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Dale Berman, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki
ABSENT:	Tom Koppie, Jarett Sanchez

VI. Presentation and Approval of the Bills and Commissioners' Per Diem for April, 2021

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Drew Frasz, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Barbara Wojnicki, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki
ABSENT:	Tom Koppie, Jarett Sanchez

VII. Bid and Proposals

A. FP-R-21-05-2872 Resolution Approving a Bid for the Hughes Creek Golf Club Parking Lot Project

The project at the Hughes Creek Golf Club will recycle in place existing asphalt, grade and compact, adding stone where indicated, and paving the parking lot and cart return area with an asphalt binder course, and final surface course, with completing proper drainage throughout the project area. The lowest qualified bidder for this project was Champion Paving Corporation from Hampshire, IL with a bid of \$108,548. A 10% contingency was added to this project, for unforeseen incidentals items, such as unsuitable soil conditions, bringing the grand total to \$119,403.

DISCUSSION: *None.*

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mavis Bates, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki
ABSENT:	Tom Koppie, Jarett Sanchez

VIII. Land Acquisition

A. FP-R-21-05-2873 Resolution Approving an Identification Sign Easement Agreement with the City of Geneva

The City of Geneva requests an Identification Sign Easement Intergovernmental Agreement with the Forest Preserve District to construct and maintain a sign and associated landscaping at the northeast corner of Illinois Route 31 and Fabyan Parkway and the northeast corner of Illinois Route 25 and Fabyan Parkway.

DISCUSSION: Chief of Planning Anderson noted that the concerns regarding future road improvements with KDOT and the location of the sign would be finalized prior to construction.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Martin, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Drew Frasz, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cheryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki
ABSENT:	Tom Koppie, Jarett Sanchez

IX. Ordinance

A. FP-O-21-05-0572 Ordinance for the Annual Budget Appropriation Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Prior year trends were reviewed, and a priority analysis of new initiatives/purchases was created to determine the best uses of the funds available. The General Fund's revenues are expected to increase slightly, from \$9,701,585 in the current fiscal year to \$9,847,426 for FY2021/22. The largest changes in revenues are due to the approval of both adding new construction and the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase from the prior year's levy and the temporary closure of Settler's Hill Golf Course for renovations. Stanish noted, health insurance premiums decreased by 4.4% for the upcoming fiscal year.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dale Berman, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Michael Kenyon, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cheryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki
ABSENT:	Tom Koppie, Jarett Sanchez

X. New and Unfinished Business

A. FP-R-21-05-2874 Resolution Approving the Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Disposal (Koppie and Sanchez arrived via zoom at 9:15 a.m.)

In 2013, the District began using an online auction house to dispose of surplus vehicles and equipment, with good results. Staff views this process as instrumental in obtaining the

best results and numerous bids. Attached is a list of vehicles and equipment that staff requests approval to declare as surplus, for disposal through an online auction service.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Kenyon, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Bill Lenert, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cheryl Strathmann, Tom Koppie, Jarett Sanchez, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki

B. FP-R-21-05-2875 Resolution Approving Mitigation Credit Rates for Muirhead Springs Forest Preserve Wetland & Stream Mitigation Bank

Prior to starting any work on the MSFP-WSMB project, the District needs to complete final engineering, which will be budgeted in Fiscal Year 2021/22. Before construction can begin, the District will need to secure various permits and financial resources through the sale of Wetland and Stream Mitigation Credits. As part of the MBI, the District can sell up to 20 percent of its Wetland and Stream Mitigation Credits, before starting construction. The MBI has other credit-release thresholds that will need to be accomplished before Wetland and Stream Mitigation Credits can be available for sale. Staff recommends the Committee approve the following dollar ranges for mitigation credits: Wetland Mitigation credits: \$50,000 to \$150,000 per acre. Stream Mitigation credits: \$250 per linear foot to \$1,500 per linear foot. In addition, the dollar range will be evaluated on an annual basis by the Finance & Administration Committee. Staff will secure approval for any changes to the mitigation credit pricing.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Wojnicki asked about revenues. Chief of Planning Anderson explained that Fund 11 is the Mitigation fund and any surplus will be allocated there. Anderson answered questions from the Committee, financials were discussed, noting the funds generated would continue to be used during construction, over a long term period.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dale Berman, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Mark Davoust, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cheryl Strathmann, Tom Koppie, Jarett Sanchez, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki

C. FP-R-21-05-2876 Resolution Authorizing an Amendment to the Fox River Trail - Union Pacific Railroad Review Fees

The Forest Preserve District of Kane County and UPRR have an existing agreement that allows various improvements on UPRR property. In addition, this agreement requires fees be paid by the District for UPRR third-party review of the project. As the construction winds down, the District

needs to increase the UPRR review fee by an additional \$20,000 to cover the final anticipated UPRR review fees.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Barbara Wojnicki, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Cherryl Strathmann, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Tom Koppie, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki

XI. Closed Session to Discuss Land Acquisition, Contracts, Litigation, and Personnel
None.

XII. Communications

Comm. Affairs Metanchuk reported the Forest Preserve Foundation collected an estimated \$5,300 from the native plant sale, and thanked everyone who helped volunteer their time.

Exec. Dir. Meyers promoted an upcoming tour at the Sleepy Hollow Ravine Forest Preserve on Friday May 14, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. The guided tour will be hosted by Dir. of Natural Resources Ben Haberthur.

XIII. President's Comments

President Kious introduced Paul Burger, the new Chief of Police and Public Safety Director. Kious promoted the Senior Strolls and encouraged the Commissioners and public to read through all the department reports.

XIV. Department Reports for April 2021

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Kenyon, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Dale Berman, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Tom Koppie, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki

XV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

RESULT:	ADJOURNED BY VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael Kenyon, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Dale Berman, Commissioner
AYES:	Ron Ford, Dale Berman, Michelle Gumz, Mavis Bates, David Brown, Kenneth C. Shepro, Cheryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe, Deborah Allan, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Mo Iqbal, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Tom Koppie, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Clifford Surges, Barbara Wojnicki

Chris Kious, Chairman
Forest Preserve District Commission
Forest Preserve District of Kane County

Respectfully Submitted,

Gabriella Figliozi

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Recording Secretary