FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF KANE COUNTY

FOREST PRESERVE COMMISSION MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The Forest Preserve Commission meeting was held Tuesday September 13, 2016 at 9:00 AM at the County Board Room located at Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A, Geneva, IL 60134. The meeting was opened by President Michael Kenyon at 9:00 AM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Wojnicki.

III. Roll Call

Members Present:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Deborah Allan	Commissioner	Present	
Margaret Auger	Commissioner	Present	
Theresa Barreiro	Commissioner	Present	
Cristina Castro	Commissioner	Late	9:15 AM
Brian Dahl	Commissioner	Present	
Mark Davoust	President Pro Tem	Present	
Drew Frasz	Commissioner	Present	
Rebecca Gillam	Commissioner	Present	
Joseph Haimann	Commissioner	Present	
John Hoscheit	Commissioner	Present	
Don Ishmael	Commissioner	Absent	
Kurt R. Kojzarek	Commissioner	Late	9:10 AM
Bill Lenert	Commissioner	Present	
Philip Lewis	Secretary	Present	
John Martin	Commissioner	Present	
Myrna Molina	Commissioner	Present	
Brian Pollock	Commissioner	Present	
Douglas Scheflow	Commissioner	Present	
Monica Silva	Commissioner	Absent	
Thomas Smith	Commissioner	Present	
Susan Starrett	Commissioner	Present	
Maria Vazquez	Commissioner	Present	
Barbara Wojnicki	Commissioner	Present	
Michael Kenyon	President	Present	

Others Present:

Monica Meyers, Executive Director
Ken J. Stanish, Director of Finance
Jerry Culp, Director of Planning and Development
Laurie Metanchuk, Director of Community Affairs
Tracey Smith, Director of Human Resources
John Goreth, Director of Operations
Brittany Kovach, Community Affairs
Jerry Hodge, Attorney
Patricia Hestekin, Recording Secretary

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

None.

V. Presentation of the $65,860,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016C

Director Stanish introduced Dan Forbes and Dave Philips of Speer Financial who gave an overview of the bond refunding.

Dave Philips stated that the District took advantage of the market improvement, with the refunding of the bond issue. This was an auction bid with 12 bidders who bid 88 times. Bank of America Merrill Lynch, New York is the best bid received, and it is his opinion the bid that is most favorable to the District. In order to accomplish the refunding, the par amount of the Bonds was adjusted to $56,810,000. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to advance refund portion of the District's outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series 2007, and to pay the costs of issuance of the bonds. The sale will result in a savings of $11,186,087.78, worth $10,147,301.45 on a net present value basis of 16.249% of refunded principal. Speer recommends the Bonds be awarded to Bank of America Merrill Lynch at a revised true interest rate of 1.5777%. Note the District has a AA+ bond rating.

President Kenyon thanked Staff for all their help with the bond sale.

VI. Presentation and Approval of the Minutes from August 9, 2016

RESULT:	**APPROVED WITH VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Joseph Haimann, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Drew Frasz, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Cristina Castro, Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

VII. Presentation and Approval of the Bills for August 2016

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Hoscheit, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Barbara Wojnicki, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Cristina Castro, Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

VIII. Proclamation

FP-R-16-09-2483 **Proclamation of October as Oak Awareness Month (OAKtober)**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Philip Lewis, Secretary
SECONDER:	Kurt R. Kojzarek, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

IX. Bids

FP-R-16-09-2484 **Resolution Accepting a Bid for ADA Accessible Drinking Fountain Project at Various Forest Preserves**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Brian Dahl, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Brian Pollock, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

X. Intergovernmental Agreements

FP-R-16-09-2485 **Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Trail Improvements Along Route 31 from the Raceway Woods Forest Preserve to Miller Road**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Joseph Haimann, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Margaret Auger, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

FP-R-16-09-2486 **Resolution Authorizing a Renewal for an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Elgin for Elgin Shores Forest Preserve**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Cristina Castro, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Deborah Allan, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

FP-R-16-09-2487 **Resolution Authorizing an Easement Agreement with the Fox River Water Reclamation District (FRWRD) for the Installation of a New Force Main at the Elgin Shores Forest Preserve**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Cristina Castro, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Deborah Allan, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

XI. Business

FP-R-16-09-2488 **Resolution Authorizing the Third Amendment to the License Agreement with Meyer Family Golf, Inc., for the Management of Hughes Creek Golf Course**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Drew Frasz, Susan Starrett
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

FP-R-16-09-2489 **Resolution Authorizing the Fourth Amendment to the License Agreement with GolfVisions Management, Inc. for the Management of the Settler's Hill and Deer Valley Golf Courses**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Mark Davoust, President Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Susan Starrett, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

FP-R-16-09-2490 **Resolution Providing for the Transfer of Investment Earnings in the Bond Fund of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Kane County, Illinois, to the Land Acquisition Fund of said Forest Preserve District**

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	John Hoscheit, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Philip Lewis, Secretary
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

XII. Ordinance

FP-O-16-09-0528 **Ordinance Amending the Purchasing Ordinance for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County to Increase the Bid Limits to $25,000**

Commissioner Smith asked for a little background on the Ordinance.

Director Stanish stated that the Governor recently signed a bill into law that allows forest preserve districts the ability to raise the bid limit on state-mandated competitive bidding requirements to $25,000. Staff would still need to get three (3) quotes for anything under the $25,000 bid limit. Of the last 38 bids 80% were in excess of the $25,000 bid limit. Raising the bid limit will help reduce costs by reducing the number of formal bids conducted and streamlining the process for goods/services between $15,000 and $24,999.

RESULT:	**APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Joseph Haimann, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Margaret Auger, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

XIII. Appointments

President Kenyon appointed Commissioner Lenert to the Land Acquisition Committee.

RESULT:	**APPROVED WITH VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Joseph Haimann, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

XIV. Executive Session to Discuss Land Acquisition, Contracts, Litigation, and Personnel

None

XV. President's Comments

Commissioner Hoscheit stated that on your desk, Staff placed the District's 2016 Progress Report, following the 2011 Land Acquisition and Preserve Improvement Referendum for your review. The report was presented to the Conservation Advisory Committee and was well received. This report lists the new forest preserves, forest preserve expansions, and capital projects which included the opening of the Big Rock Campground, Brunner Family Forest Preserve, and the Creek Bend Nature Center. Historically 83% of the bonds go to land acquisition and 17% to the operation of the

preserves. Presently the cost of the bonds for a home valued at $250,000 is $231, in 2017, it will drop to $160 and in 2018 it will drop to $90. This is a major reduction in the bond payoff. If there are not further land acquisition bonds, the payment will drop to $10 in 2028. It is time to evaluate were we stand, possibly do another public poll to see what the public wants.
Commissioner Lenert commended staff for the quick work on the moving of a overgrown area adjacent to a parking lot, that numerous residents were concerned about.

XVI. Reports: Department Reports

RESULT:	**APPROVED WITH VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Barbara Wojnicki, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Susan Starrett, Commissioner
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

XVII. Adjournment

RESULT:	**APPROVED WITH VOICE VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**
SECONDER:	Joseph Haimann, Thomas Smith
AYES:	Deborah Allan, Margaret Auger, Theresa Barreiro, Cristina Castro, Brian Dahl, Mark Davoust, Drew Frasz, Rebecca Gillam, Joseph Haimann, John Hoscheit, Kurt R. Kojzarek, Bill Lenert, Philip Lewis, John Martin, Myrna Molina, Brian Pollock, Douglas Scheflow, Thomas Smith, Susan Starrett, Maria Vazquez, Barbara Wojnicki, Michael Kenyon
ABSENT:	Don Ishmael, Monica Silva

President Michael Kenyon, Chairman
Forest Preserve Commission
Forest Preserve District of Kane County

Respectfully Submitted,

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Patricia Hestekin
Recording Secretary