

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT – REGULAR DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 14, 2021

On Tuesday, December 14, 2021, pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the November 12, 2021 Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, and the Written Determination of the Lake County Forest Preserve District President attached to the Agenda, the Lake County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met via Audio and Video conference at the County Building, 18 North County Street, Waukegan, Illinois, and at the Lake County Forest Preserve District's General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois.

1.0 Call to Order – President Angelo Kyle called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

2.0 Roll Call of Commissioners – Board Secretary Gragnani called the roll and 18 Commissioners answered Present: Altenberg, Barr, Casbon, Clark, Cunningham, Danforth, Durkin, Hart, Hunter, Kyle, Maine, Parekh, Pedersen, Roberts, Sbarra, Vealitzek, Wasik, and Wilke. Commissioners Frank and Hewitt joined the meeting after the roll call. Commissioner Simpson was absent.

3.0 Moment of Silence – President Kyle observed a moment of silence.

4.0 Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Hunter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5.0 Addenda to Agenda – None

6.0 Public Comment (for items not on the agenda) - None

7.0 President's Report, Special Recognition and Committee Appointments

- CMAP Executive Director Erin Aleman presented the District with the CMAP Regional Excellence Award for the Buffalo Creek Reservoir expansion project with MWRD;
- The Chicago Wilderness Commission on Excellence in Ecological Restoration awarded the District its Platinum level Accreditation for its achievements with Pine Dunes East;
- The District to receive a \$135,000 Monarch Pollinator Conservation grant from National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for use on the Barrington Greenway Initiative;
- The Chicago Regional Tree Initiative has awarded the District its Public Natural Areas Award for the Middlefork Buckthorn Eradication Initiative at Middlefork Savanna.

8.0 Unfinished Business – None

Commissioner Barr left the meeting prior to Item 9.0.

9.0 Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Hart, second by Commissioner Parekh to approve the Consent Agenda, items 9.1 through 9.4. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a roll call vote of:
AYES: 19, NAYS: 0

9.1 Approve Minutes of November 9, 2021

9.2 Approve Travel Expense Reimbursements **EXHIBIT No. 5816**

9.3 Approve Resolution Awarding Contract for Helicopter Services for Winter Deer Count to AM Air Service, in the Contract Price of \$43,875.00. **EXHIBIT No. 5817**

9.4 Approve Resolution Awarding Contract for Woody Invasive Plant Control at Greenbelt Forest Preserve to Clean Cut Tree Service in the Contract Price of \$100,820.00. **EXHIBIT No. 5818**

10.0 New Business – Report of Standing and Special Committees

10.1 Ordinance Amending Personnel Policy 4.10 – COVID-19 Benefits

Motion by Commissioner Frank, second by Commissioner Wasik to Approve an Ordinance Amending Personnel Policy 4.10 – COVID-19 Benefits, revising the expiration date from December 31, 2021, to May 31, 2022 and resetting the available Emergency Paid Sick Leave entitlement. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 19, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5819**

10.2 Resolution Approving Change Order to Contract for Leadership Coaching Services

Motion by Commissioner Frank, second by Commissioner Hunter to Approve a Resolution approving Change Order No. 2 to the Contract with Perspectives, LTD for Leadership Coaching Services and Assessment, increasing the contract amount by \$1,950.00. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 19, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5820**

10.3 Ordinance Approving Amended Fundraising Authorization Policy

Motion by Commissioner Frank, second by Commissioner Hewitt to Approve an Ordinance Approving an Amended Fundraising Authorization Policy. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 19, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5821**

10.4 Resolution Approving Agreement with CMAP for Traveling Exhibition

Motion by Commissioner Vealitzek, second by Commissioner Hart to Approve a Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning for the Traveling Exhibition *On to 2050*. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 19, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5822**

10.5 Resolution Awarding Contract to Purchase Caterpillar Track Loader and Surplus Disposal

Motion by Commissioner Vealitzek, second by Commissioner Casbon to Approve a Resolution Awarding a Contract to purchase a Caterpillar Compact Track Loader to Altorfer Industries, Inc. in the net amount of \$37,302.76, and authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Equipment as a Trade-In. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 19, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5823**

10.6 Resolution Approving Agreements regarding Carbon Credits

Motion by Commissioner Vealitzek, second by Commissioner Wasik to Approve a Resolution Approving (i) a Project Implementation Agreement with City Forest Credits for the verification and administration of Carbon Credits from the District's Reforestation Program and (ii) a Purchase Agreement with Regen Network for Regen's purchase of verified carbon credits from the District's reforestation planting efforts. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 19, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5824**

10.7 Resolution Awarding Contract for Hydrologic Restoration Design at Ryerson

Motion by Commissioner Vealitzek, second by Commissioner Cunningham to Approve a Resolution Awarding a Contract for Hydrologic Restoration Design Services at Edward L. Ryerson Conservation Area to Christopher B. Burke Engineering LTD in the Contract Price of \$88,852.00. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 18, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5825**

10.8 Resolution Approving Agreement with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for Dutch Gap

Motion by Commissioner Wilke, second by Commissioner Maine to Approve a Resolution Approving a Project Partnership Agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Restoration of Dutch Gap Forest Preserve. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by a vote of: **AYES: 18, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5826**

11.0 Petitions and Correspondence - None


12.0 Miscellaneous Business - None

13.0 Closed Session – None

14.0 Potential Action following Closed Session - None

15.0 Adjournment – With no further business before the Board, President Kyle declared the meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Julie Gragnani
Board Secretary

Date Approved: 1-11-2022

ROLL CALL

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

REGULAR DECEMBER 14 SESSION, 2021

ROLL CALL		COMMISSIONERS	QUESTIONS																	
			9.1-9.4 <i>Comment Agenda</i>		10.1 <i>Amend Covid Policy</i>		10.2 <i>C.O. 2 Perspectives</i>		10.3 <i>Amend Fire/Security Policy</i>		10.4 <i>CMAP Agreement</i>		10.5 <i>Leader Purchase</i>		10.6 <i>City forest Credits</i>		10.7 <i>Burke Contract</i>		10.8	
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1	✓	Altenberg, Marah	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
2	✓	Barr, Dick																		
3	✓	Casbon, Carissa	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
4	✓	Clark, Jennifer	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
5	✓	Cunningham, Mary Ross	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
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8		Frank, Paul <i>OK</i>	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓					
9	✓	Hart, Sandra	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
10		Hewitt, Diane <i>OK</i>	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
11	✓	Hunter, J. Kevin	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
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18	X	Simpson, Julie																		
19	✓	Vealitzek, Jessica	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	
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18		TOTALS	19	0	19	0	19	0	19	0	19	0	19	0	19	0	18	0	18	0
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After roll call: Frank Hewitt