

**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES – April 5, 2021**

On Monday, April 5, 2021, pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the March 5, 2021 Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, the Governor's Executive Orders No. 2021-5, and the Written Determination of the Lake County Forest Preserve District President attached to the Agenda, a Committee of the Whole met via Audio and Video conference and at the District's General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois.

1.0 Call to order- President Angelo Kyle called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

2.0 Roll call- Secretary Gragnani called the roll; 13 Commissioners responded: Altenberg, Casbon, Clark, Cunningham, Danforth, Durkin, Kyle, Maine, Pedersen, Roberts, Simpson, Vealitzek, Wasik. Commissioners Hart and Frank joined the meeting after Agenda Item 5.0 Approval of Minutes. Absent: Barr, Hewitt, Martini, Parekh, Wilke.

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Roberts led a pledge of allegiance.

4.0 Addenda to the Agenda - None

5.0 Approve Minutes from February 1, 2021 - Motion by member Simpson, second by member Altenberg to approve the Minutes of February 1, 2021. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by the following vote: AYES: 13, NAYS: 0.


6.0 Public Comment- None

Commissioners Hart and Frank joined the meeting at approximately 11:35 a.m.

7.0 Presentation on Custom mobile Ecology (mECO) Management web application – President Kyle turned the meeting over to Executive Director Alex Kovach, who provided background on an internal software program developed by District staff for data collection by the Natural Resource Department. He introduced Database Developer Rian Crowley, the mECO project manager, who presented an introduction to the application. He explained how mECO was developed. mECO allows data collection directly from the field using mobile devices, running it through GIS and other databases, and converting data into useful information. He outlined the program's current modules for monitoring Blanding's Turtles, vegetation, controlled burns, wildlife, and land. Following the presentation, several Commissioners offered comments and a discussion ensued; Natural Resource Director Jim Anderson responded to questions.

8.0 Adjournment - President Kyle declared the meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Julie Gragnani
Board Secretary

Date Approved: *July 20, 2021*

ROLL CALL

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

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ROLL CALL		COMMISSIONERS	QUESTIONS																							
P	A		<i>MINUTES</i>																							
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1	✓	Altenberg, Marah	✓																							
2	X	Barr, Dick																								
3	✓	Casbon, Carissa	✓																							
4	✓	Clark, Jennifer	✓																							
5	✓	Cunningham, Mary Ross	✓																							
6	✓	Danforth, Michael	✓																							
7	✓	Durkin, Bill	✓																							
8	X	Frank, Paul																								
9	X	Hart, Sandra																								
10	X	Hewitt, Diane																								
11	✓	Kyle, Angelo	✓																							
12	✓	Maine, Ann	✓																							
13	X	Martini, Judy																								
14	X	Parekh, Paras																								
15	✓	Pedersen, Linda	✓																							
16	✓	Roberts, Gina	✓																							
17	✓	Simpson, Julie	✓																							
18		Taylor, Craig																								
19	✓	Vealitzek, Jessica	✓																							
20	✓	Wasik, John	✓																							
21	X	Wilke, Terry																								
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*SANDY HART
JOINED LATE
PAUL FRANK 11:35 am.*