

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT – REGULAR JULY MEETING MINUTES**  
**JULY 15, 2020**

On Wednesday, July 15, 2020, pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the June 26, 2020, Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, the Governor’s Executive Orders Nos. 2020-43 and 2020-44, and the Written Determination of the Lake County Forest Preserve District President, the Lake County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners 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 10:00 a.m.

**2.0 Roll Call of Commissioners** – Secretary Gragnani called the roll and 17 Commissioners answered Present: Altenberg, Barr, Carlson, Cunningham, Danforth, Frank, Hart, Kyle, Maine, Martini, Pedersen, Rummel, Simpson, Taylor, Vealitzek, Wasik, and Wilke. Commissioner Hewitt joined the meeting after the roll call. Commissioners Clark, Durkin, and Paxton were absent.

Motion by member Barr, second by member Hart to suspend the Rules of Order and Operational Procedures to the full extent necessary, to allow Commissioners to attend this meeting in accordance with Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, the June 26, 2020, Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, the Governor’s Executive Orders Nos. 2020-43 and 2020-44, and the Written Determination attached to the Agenda, which allow all Commissioners to attend this meeting by video or audio conference, and b) to allow members of the public to make public comment via audio or video means. Roll Call vote being had, the motion passed by the following vote: **AYES: 18; NAYS: 0.**

**3.0 Invocation or Moment of Silence** – President Kyle called for a moment of silence.

**4.0 Pledge of Allegiance** – Commissioner Danforth led a pledge of allegiance.

**5.0 Addenda to Agenda** – None

**6.0 Public Comment** – There was no public comment for matters not on the agenda.

**7.0 President’s Report, Appointments, Announcements and Special Recognition** – President Kyle reported on the following:

- Significant increase in the District’s social media engagement and website traffic;
- Virtual education is going very well and the Dunn Museum will reopen on Saturday, August 29;
- Preserve usage continues to be at an all-time high. Playgrounds are open except at Half Day and Independence Grove, both closed for maintenance. About 2/3 of restrooms are open;
- The Preservation Foundation received \$100,000 for the Endowment Fund;
- Goals were met in June for the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation *Community Stewardship Challenge Grant* at Greenbelt Forest Preserve;
- The August 3 Committee of the Whole will include a presentation on Generational Differences;
- The Diversity & Cultural Awareness Committee will meet on August 31 at 11:00 a.m.
- As authorized by the June Delegation Ordinance, a settlement agreement with Food For Thought at Thunderhawk, Ltd. was approved. Chief Operations Officer Mike Tully reviewed the terms.

**8.0 Consent Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Simpson, second by Commissioner Vealitzek to approve the Consent Agenda, Items 8.1 through 8.5:

- 8.1 Minutes of June 9, 2020 – Regular Meeting and Special Meeting
- 8.2 Resolution approving Annual Support and License Agreement for Financial Software to Tyler Technologies, Inc., MUNIS Division, Falmouth, Maine, in the Contract Price of \$102,038.13. **EXHIBIT No. 5655**
- 8.3 Resolution approving Payment of \$98,305.00 to Lake County for Annual Services. **EXHIBIT No. 5656**
- 8.4 Resolution awarding Contract for Maintenance Building Roof and Gutter Replacement at Old School Forest Preserve to Seal Tight Exteriors Inc., Steger, Illinois, in the Contract Price of \$41,900.00. **EXHIBIT No. 5657**
- 8.5 Resolution awarding Contract for Janitorial and Sanitation Supplies to North American Corporation, Glenview, Illinois, in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00 through an Omnia Partners cooperative contract, pursuant to the Illinois Governmental Joint Purchasing Act. **EXHIBIT No. 5658**

Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by the following vote: **AYES: 18, NAYS: 0**

**9.0 Reports of Standing and Special Committees:**

- 9.1 **Ordinance Establishing Fees and Charges for Permits, Programs, Services & Facilities**  
Motion by Commissioner Vealitzek, second by Commissioner Wasik to approve an Ordinance Establishing Fees and Charges for District Permits, Programs, Services and Facilities. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by the following vote: **AYES: 18, NAYS: 0. EXHIBIT No. 5659**

Commissioner Simpson left the meeting following Item 9.1.

- 9.2 **Resolution Approving Amended Objectives for the District’s Strategic Plan**  
Motion by President Kyle, second by Commissioner Maine to approve a Resolution Approving Amended Objectives for the Lake County Forest Preserve District’s Strategic Plan. Executive Director Kovach reviewed the amended Objectives, followed by Commissioners’ comments. Roll call vote being had, the motion passed by the following vote: **AYES: 15, NAYS: 2. EXHIBIT No. 5660**

**10.0 Old Business – None**

- 11.0 **New Business – Commissioner Martini asked about addressing bullying in the Ethics Ordinance or Rules.** Mr. Kovach noted that the topic is on staff’s radar and will be addressed in the near future.

President Kyle asked once again for any public comment and there was none.

- 12.0 **Petitions and Correspondence – Commissioner Rummel asked for a legal opinion regarding the legality of holding remote Board meetings.** Commissioner Hart noted that the opinion the County receives should suffice for the Forest Preserve as well.

**13.0 Closed Session – None**

**14.0 Potential Action Following Closed Session - None**

- 15.0 **Adjourn – With no further business, President Kyle declared the meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted:

  
Julie Gragnani, Board Secretary

Date Approved: 8-11-2020

