

SPECIAL MEETING - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES – JULY 18, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District met as a Committee of the Whole on Thursday, July 18, 2019. The meeting was held 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 9:03 a.m.

2.0 Roll call- Board Secretary Julie Gragnani called the roll and 15 Commissioners answered: Barr, Carlson, Clark, Cunningham, Danforth, Durkin, Hewitt, Kyle, Maine, Pedersen, Simpson, Taylor, Vealitzek, Wasik, and Wilke. Commissioner Rummel arrived after the roll call at 9:05 a.m. Commissioner Martini arrived after the roll call at 9:08 a.m. Commissioner Frank arrived after roll call at 9:10 a.m. Commissioners absent: Didech, Hart, Paxton.

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 Public Comment - None

5.0 Approve Minutes from October 1, 2018 Committee of the Whole - Motion by Durkin, second by Hewitt to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2018 meeting. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously.

6.0 Strategic Planning – President Kyle turned the meeting over to Executive Director Ty Kovach, who made opening remarks on the District's vision and the 100-Year Vision and strategic directions created five years ago, which now need to be revisited. As an example he noted the recent commitment to create an endowment and budget against it, which will require cutting-edge private-public partnerships to be successful. He then turned the meeting over to Dianne Russell of the Institute for Conservation Leadership, who made opening remarks followed by Commissioner introductions.

Ms. Russell summarized three objectives of today's session: 1) to reconnect with the 100-year vision, 25-year goals and objectives, including the progress made in the first five years; 2) to understand the upcoming 8-month planning process including roles and expectations and engaging the communities; and 3) to unearth what some of the issues might be that need attention during the planning.

Mr. Kovach gave a presentation summarizing the pillars of leadership and the 13 objectives, and the percent completion rate reached for each objective. Ms. Russell then asked everyone to break out into pairs to talk about what struck them as most significant or important about the District's progress over the last five years given the information in Mr. Kovach's presentation. The group reconvened at 10:00 a.m. and talked about their findings in the small groups. Ms. Russell reviewed the timeline for the action plan, which would be approved by the Board in February 2020, and outlined the role of the Steering Committee.

At 10:10 a.m. the Commissioners broke into small groups to think about the 100-year vision and collaborate as a group to come up with what they think is critical or urgent to address in the next five years. They reconvened at 10:25 a.m. and each group reported on the major points that came out in their discussions.

Ms. Russell asked for the Commissioners' input regarding who else needs to be involved in the process. She also asked the Commissioners if there was anything else they would need to do their best strategic thinking. Mr. Kovach reviewed the various participants from the first strategic planning process and gave some examples regarding the types of contacts who should be invited to participate in the process. Suggested contacts were placed on a bulletin board for collection.

7.0 Addenda to the Agenda - None

8.0 Adjourn - With no further business before the Committee, motion by Commissioner Wilke, second by Commissioner Simpson to adjourn. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Julie Gragnani
Board Secretary

Date Approved: 12/2/19

ROLL CALL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF LAKE)

July 18 SESSION, 20 19

9:03

ROLL CALL			COMMISSIONERS	QUESTIONS																							
P	A	Aye		Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay	Aye	Nay			
1	✓		Barr, Dick	✓																							
2	✓		Carlson, Steve	✓																							
3	✓		Clark, Jennifer	✓																							
4	✓		Cunningham, Mary Ross	✓																							
5	✓		Danforth, Michael	✓																							
6			Didech, Adam																								
7	✓		Durkin, Bill	✓																							
8			Frank, Paul	✓																							
9			Hart, Sandra																								
10	✓		Hewitt, Diane	✓																							
11	✓		Kyle, Angelo	✓																							
12	✓		Maine, Ann	✓																							
13			Martini, Judy	✓																							
14			Paxton, Brent																								
15	✓		Pedersen, Linda	✓																							
16			Rummel, Mike @ 9:05	✓																							
17	✓		Simpson, Julie	✓																							
18	✓		Taylor, Craig	✓																							
19	✓		Vealitzek, Jessica	✓																							
20	✓		Wasik, John	✓																							
21	✓		Wilke, Terry	✓																							
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