

Journal of Proceedings
SPECIAL MEETING– BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
Monday, November 13, 2017

Izaak Walton Cabin & Elks Lake Pavilion, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet Illinois

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met at a Special Meeting, Monday, November 13, 2017 at Izaak Walton Cabin and Elks Lake Pavilion, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet, Illinois. Commissioner Kerins called the Special meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at Izaak Walton Cabin. Commissioner Herakovich called the roll. Roll was taken with the following Commissioners present: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

SPECIAL MEETING - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Herakovich made a motion at 9:01 a.m. to convene into Executive Session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, specifically section 2 (c) 1 The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

Commissioner Herakovich moved to recess to Elks Lake Pavilion for the Executive Director candidate presentation. Commissioner Livesay seconded. Motion carried to recess at 11:00 a.m.

President Kerins reopened the Executive Session at 11:30 a.m. at Elks Lake Pavilion.

Commissioner Livesay moved to close Executive Session at 12:30 p.m. Commissioner Goodman seconded. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MEETING - None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Herakovich moved to adjourn the Special Meeting at 12:31 p.m. Commissioner Livesay seconded. Motion carried.

Bobbie Herakovich, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Champaign County Forest Preserve District

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SPECIAL MEETING– BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Izaak Walton Cabin & Elks Lake Pavilion, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet Illinois

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met at a Special Meeting, Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at Izaak Walton Cabin and Elks Lake Pavilion, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet, Illinois. Commissioner Kerins called the Special meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at Izaak Walton Cabin. Commissioner Herakovich called the roll. Roll was taken with the following Commissioners present: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

SPECIAL MEETING - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Herakovich made a motion at 9:01 a.m. to convene into Executive Session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, specifically section 2 (c) 1 The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

Commissioner Herakovich moved to recess to Elks Lake Pavilion for the Executive Director candidate presentation. Commissioner Livesay seconded. Motion carried to recess at 11:00 a.m.

President Kerins reopened the Executive Session at 11:30 a.m. at Elks Lake Pavilion.

Commissioner Livesay moved to close Executive Session at 12:29 p.m. Commissioner Goodman seconded. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MEETING - None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hays moved to adjourn the Special Meeting at 12:30 p.m. Commissioner Goodman seconded. Motion carried.

Bobbie Herakovich, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Champaign County Forest Preserve District

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STUDY SESSION – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

Thursday, November 16, 2017

Education Classroom, Museum of the Grand Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Illinois

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met at a Study Session, Thursday, November 16, 2017 at the Education Classroom, Museum of the Grand Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet, Illinois. Commissioner Kerins called the Study Session to order at 5:35 p.m. Commissioner Herakovich called the roll. Roll was taken with the following Commissioners present: Herakovich, Kerins, and Livesay. Commissioner Goodman arrived at 5:43 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – No changes requested

DISCUSSION

1. Golf Operations

Interim Executive Director, Mary Ellen Wuellner, gave an overview of the document that was included in the Board packet. Golf Course General Manager, Chris Edmondson, gave an overview of changes that have been made since the 2014 Golf Study was conducted. District Golf Professional, David Sebestik, gave an overview of initiatives that have been introduced, or will be introduced for 2018 at the golf course, including custom fittings, emphasis on social media and other initiatives. Golf Director, Dave Torrens, gave the history of the current outdated irrigation system and the challenges it creates, and noted the new technology available for golf course irrigation.

2. Status of Hospital Tax-Exemption Legal Case

District Legal Counsel, Matt Deering, gave an overview of a document that was earlier forwarded to the Commissioners. Commissioners asked if the case could be settled soon. Mr. Deering noted he believes it would still be at least a year before the case is resolved.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Herakovich moved to adjourn the Special Meeting at 6:29 p.m. Commissioner Livesay seconded. Motion carried.

Bobbie Herakovich, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Champaign County Forest Preserve District

**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Thursday, November 16, 2017, 6:31 p.m.

Education Classroom, Museum of the Grand Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve
Mahomet, Illinois

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing, Thursday, November 16, 2017 at the Education Classroom, Museum of the Grand Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet, Illinois. Commissioner Kerins opened the Public Hearing at 6:31 p.m. Commissioner Herakovich called the roll. Roll was taken with the following Commissioners present: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Livesay and Kerins.

PUBLIC COMMENT

RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE TENTATIVE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE #2017-02 OF THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF CHAMPAIGN, OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, FOR THE 2017 TAXES DUE IN 2018

No Public in Attendance

ADJOURNMENT - Commissioner Livesay moved adjournment of the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m. Commissioner Herakovich seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

**Bobbie Herakovich, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
Champaign County Forest Preserve District**

Journal of Proceedings
REGULAR MEETING – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

Thursday, November 16, 2017

Education Classroom, Museum of the Grand Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve,
Mahomet, Illinois

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, November 16, 2017 at the Education Classroom, Museum of the Grand Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet, Illinois. Commissioner Kerins called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Commissioner Livesay called the roll. The following Commissioners were present: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay.

REMOTE ATTENDANCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

AGENDA MODIFICATION – None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of Special Meeting on October 7, 2017
- B. Minutes of Study Session on October 19, 2017
- C. Minutes of Regular Meeting on October 19, 2017
- D. Minutes of Executive Session on October 19, 2017
- E. Minutes of Special Meeting on October 26, 2017
- F. Minutes of Executive Session on October 26, 2017
- G. Monthly Staff Reports

Commissioner Herakovich moved approval of the consent agenda. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

A. Forest Preserve Friends Foundation Report - Commissioner Livesay reported she was unable to attend the last meeting, as she was host for the District Executive Director candidate tour that day. Interim Executive Director, Mary Ellen Wuellner, noted at the meeting discussion included: 2018 FPF budget, grants update, and a proposed commemorative bench program.

B. Citizen Advisory Committee Report – Commissioner Hays noted that the last meeting included a Dark Sky update. New CAC member candidates will be appointed at the December CCFPD Board meeting. Commissioner Hays also thanked the CCFPD for getting polo shirts for CAC members to wear when representing the District at public events and also thanked Eileen Borgia for representing the District at the recent Sangamon Watershed Celebration in Decatur.

C. Commissioner Comments – Commissioners thanked HR Generalist, Fran Bell, for her work on the Executive Director Search.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- A. 2018 Budget Update** – District Finance Director, John Baker, gave an overview of the document that was in the Board packet.

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- B. Sustainability Committee Report** – Sustainability members Tammy Bruehl, Stacey Clementz and Jon Hasselbring were present. Jon Hasselbring, Sustainability Committee Chairman, gave an overview of the information that was provided in the meeting packet. Commissioners thanked the group for their work and advised they are anxious to see the project proceed.
- C. General Announcements** – Interim Executive Director Wuellner introduced Megan McCoy, the District's new Administrative Assistant.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Ordinance #2017-02 Annual Final Tax Levy

Commissioner Livesay moved the Board approve Ordinance #2017-02, the Annual Tax Levy for 2017 taxes due in 2018. Commissioner Herakovich seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Disbursements for approval

Commissioner Livesay moved approval of disbursements for October 20, 2017 through November 16, 2017 for a total of \$147,962.54. Commissioner Hays seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

B. October Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Hays moved approval of the October Treasurer's report. Commissioner Goodman seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

C. Ordinance #2017-03 Annual Tentative Budget and Appropriation

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve Ordinance #2017-03 Annual Tentative Appropriation for 2018. Commissioner Hays seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

D. Resolution R-2017-17 2018 Golf Fees

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve Resolution R-2017-17 Golf Fees. Commissioner Hays seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

E. Resolution R-2017-18 2018 Capital Equipment

Commissioner Livesay moved the Board approve Resolution R-2017-19 Capital Equipment Budget. Commissioner Herakovich seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

F. Resolution R-2017-19 Capital Projects

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve Resolution R-2017-19 Capital Projects Budget. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

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G. Resolution #R-2017-20 ITEP Grant Application

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve Resolution #R-2017-20 authorizing the submission of an ITEP grant in the amount of \$200,000 for the installation of amenities along Phase 1 and 2a of the Kickapoo Rail Trail in Champaign County. Commissioner Goodman seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

H. IAPD/IPRA Conference Credentials

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve the attached Credentials Certificate designating a District representative to serve as a delegate to the Illinois Association of Park District’s Annual Business Meeting to be held January 20, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel Grand Ballroom. It was determined Commissioner Hays would be the Delegate and the 1st Alternate would be Commissioner Kerins. Commissioner Goodman seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

I. 2018 Employee Benefits

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve the following employee benefits for 2018:

1. Change from Health Alliance HMO 5000a with Rx1 to Health Alliance HMO 5000b with Rx3 for the District health insurance plan effective January 1, 2018 and
2. Renew all other existing employee benefits effective January 1, 2018 with no changes.

Commissioner Goodman seconded. Commissioners thanked staff and the Compensation Committee for their work on the 2018 Employee Benefits. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

J. Change to Safety Boot Reimbursement

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve an increase in the safety work boot reimbursement maximum from \$50.00 per year to \$100.00 per year for eligible employees effective January 1, 2018. Employees eligible for this reimbursement will include any full-time, part-time or seasonal District employee working in a position which requires safety work boots while on duty. Commissioner Hays seconded. Commissioners thanked the Compensation Committee for its work on updating this policy. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Herakovich made a motion at 7:12 p.m. to convene into Executive Session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, specifically section 2 (c) 1 The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

Commissioner Kerins closed Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. and opened the Regular Meeting.

REGULAR SESSION – None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hays moved adjournment of the Regular Meeting at 8:06 p.m. Commissioner Goodman seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Hays, Herakovich, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

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