

Journal of Proceedings  
REGULAR MEETING – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
Thursday, February 19, 2015  
Champaign Park District, Leonhard Recreation Center, 2307 Sangamon Drive,  
Champaign, Illinois

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 19, 2015 at the Champaign Park District, Leonhard Recreation Center, Champaign, Illinois. Commissioner White called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Commissioner Livesay called the roll. Roll was taken with the following commissioners present: Kerins, Livesay and White. Herakovich (excused), Hult (gave notice of being late)

**REMOTE ATTENDANCE** – None

**AGENDA MODIFICATIONS** – None

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION OF IPRA/IAPD AWARD** – Executive Director Dan Olson presented Eileen Borgia with a Community Service Award for her volunteer efforts with the District, noting her time spent at the District has been appreciated. Ms Borgia thanked the Board for the award, and commented how much she enjoys the time she spends volunteering with the District and that she has learned many things while volunteering in the different areas of the District.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**SECRETARY REPORT**

Commissioner Kerins moved approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 15, 2015. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**DISBURSEMENT REPORT**

Commissioner Kerins moved that the Board approve payment of \$169,145.89 in accounts payable disbursements dated January 16, 2015 through February 19, 2015. Commissioner Livesay seconded. Staff answered disbursement questions regarding the use of procurement cards, eye wash station and golf merchandise. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Commissioner Kerins moved acceptance of the January 2015 Treasurers Report. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**COMMISSIONERS’ REMARKS AND/OR INPUT**

Commissioners thanked staff for the annual reports, stating the information provided is very helpful. Commissioners also commended staff for their work with Chambana Moms, noting the favorable social media received is wonderful for the District. Commissioners also acknowledged Stacey Clementz for her work of meeting with the local Regional Office of Education on upcoming teacher workshop offerings held by the District.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**A. Staff Reports (including annual departmental reports)**

Marketing Coordinator Lisa Sprinkle introduced Adrienne Kizer, the new District Marketing Specialist. Director Olson noted the upcoming Legislative Breakfast, scheduling reminder for a Commissioners retreat and tour, and information on the scheduling of the District’s 2014 Audit.

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Commissioners asked when District W-2's were posted for employee viewing, and thanked operations staff for their work on snow removal at all preserves.

Commissioner Livesay moved acceptance of the February Staff Report. Commissioner Kerins seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**FOREST PRESERVE FRIENDS FOUNDATION BOARD REPORT**

**A. Annual Report of Donations**

Commissioners thanked staff for the report.

It was also reported the committee will be looking at details to include an art in the park sculpture concept, similar to the Urbana Park District, for the Botanical Gardens.

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT** – Meeting was postponed due to weather

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Change in Engineering Firm for the Kickapoo Rail Trail**

Commissioner Kerins moved the Board rescind the January 15, 2015 approval of Fehr Graham Engineering and Environmental to oversee the construction of the first phase of the Kickapoo Rail Trail in Champaign County, and approve The Farnsworth Group to oversee the first phase of construction. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**B. 2015 Golf Budget**

Commissioner Livesay moved the Board approve the attached 2015 Golf Budget. Commissioner Kerins seconded. Commissioners asked if the course of action from the Golf Study would be addressed, staff responded; Pro Shop renovations are already being addressed; marketing changes are going forward, noting new fee and course brochures have been made; course work including bunker changes will be started in the spring; deep cleaning of pro shop and other areas is being done. Staff also reported Natural Resources Staff will be helping them with the Audubon recertification, as 2015 is the recertification date for the course. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**C. Trail/Pond Naming Opportunity** – No Discussion

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Livesay made a motion at 6:50 p.m. to convene into Executive Session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, specifically section 2 (c) 1 for 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 and section 2 (c) 5 for the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose whether a particular parcel should be acquired. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hult arrived at 6:55 p.m.

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Commissioner White closed the Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Hult moved adjournment of the Regular Meeting at 8:10 pm. Commissioner Kerins seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

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Sarah Livesay, Secretary  
Board of Commissioners  
Champaign County Forest Preserve District