

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

Thursday, March 20, 2014

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, March 20, 2014 at the Education Classroom, Museum of the Grand Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Mahomet, Illinois. Commissioner White called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Commissioner Livesay called the roll. Roll was taken with the following commissioners present: Hall, Hult, Livesay, Kerins and White.

**REMOTE ATTENDANCE** – None

**AGENDA MODIFICATIONS** – None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Executive Director Olson introduced Mark Tyus with Euroclydon, Inc. Director Olson stated Mr. Tyus would be able to answer any questions regarding the Agenda Item A.) Museum Exhibit Bid.

**SECRETARY REPORT**

Commissioner Hult moved approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2014 and the Executive Session Meeting Minutes as stated on the Agenda of 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hall, Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**DISBURSEMENT REPORT**

Commissioner Hall moved that the Board approve payment of \$147,684.22 in disbursements dated February 21, 2014 through March 20, 2014, including payroll transactions and checks numbered 100788 through 100920. Commissioner Hult seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hall, Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Commissioner Hall moved acceptance of the February 2014 Treasurers Report. Commissioner Kerins seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hall, Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**AUDIENCE REMARKS AND/OR INPUT** –None

**COMMISSIONERS’ REMARKS AND/OR INPUT**

Commissioner White reported he recently attended the Great Lakes Park Training Institute and was present when the District received an award for the Homer Lake Natural Playscape. Commissioners also reported they had recently attended the Legislative Breakfast and were able to network with others in the parks and recreation field as well as State of Illinois officials.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**A. Staff Reports**

Executive Director Olson thanked staff for their hard work and efforts over the winter. Director Olson also advised that the garden pond has suffered structural damage after the past winters freezing conditions.

Commissioner Kerins moved acceptance of the March Staff reports. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

**B. Learning in Community (LINC) class – HLIC Needs Assessment Report**

Deputy Director Mary Ellen Wuellner and Assistant Director Museum/Education Department Pam Leiter presented a report about the LINC group that is working on a needs assessment for the Homer Lake Interpretive Center. Wuellner stated that two Commissioners will be interviewed and that the group will present its findings at the April CCFPD Board meeting.

**FOREST PRESERVE FRIENDS FOUNDATION BOARD REPORT**

The Foundation is focusing on speaking to possible donors for the Kickapoo Rail Trail and the Botanical Garden waterfall area.

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

The CAC created a SWOT analysis, which will be used in the District-wide strategic planning process. Commissioner Livesay commended the group on the amount of thought that was put into this activity. They are currently interviewing a candidate for the position on the CAC that became open when Pat Simpson was hired by the CCFPD.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Museum Exhibit Bid**

Commissioner Livesay moved the Board award the contract for the Museum “Grand Prairie Story” Exhibit project to Euroclydon, Inc., in the amount of \$44,000. Commissioner Kerins seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hall, Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Livesay made a motion at 7:33 p.m. to convene into Executive Session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, specifically 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. And 2 (c) 1 for the appointment, employment, compensation discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific 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. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hall, Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hall moved to close Executive Session and open the Regular Meeting at 8:11 p.m. Commissioner Kerins seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hall, Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Hall made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Kerins seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Hall, Hult, Kerins, Livesay and White. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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