

Journal of Proceedings
REGULAR MEETING – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
Thursday, February 16, 2016
Leonhard Recreation Center, Champaign Park District,
Champaign, Illinois

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 16, 2017 at the Leonhard Recreation Center, Champaign Park District, Champaign, Illinois. Commissioner Kerins called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Commissioner Herakovich called the roll. Roll was taken with the following Commissioners present: Herakovich, Hult, Livesay and Kerins. Commissioner Goodman was absent with notice.

REMOTE ATTENDANCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

URBANA PARK DISTRICT (UPD) WEAVER PARK PRESENTATION – Tim Bartlett, UPD Executive Director and Derek Liebert, UPD Superintendent of Planning and Operations, gave a PowerPoint presentation on UPD’s Weaver Park. Bartlett noted that the UPD long-term planning of Weaver Park was to use some of the area for a trailhead for the KRT. Bartlett noted they are currently working on design and development of the area and are working with the City of Urbana and the Champaign County Regional Planning Commissioner on a site evaluation. In the presentation, Liebert showed conceptual slides of design options of Weaver Park including parking and other amenities for a KRT trailhead. Liebert also showed slides of other trail ways including design options that could be incorporated in the park for KRT trail users.

Commissioners thanked Bartlett for his work on the acquisition of the KRT, and thanked him and Liebert for coming and giving the presentation.

AGENDA MODIFICATION – None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of Study Session on January 26, 2017
- B. Minutes of Regular Meeting on January 26, 2017
- C. Minutes of Executive Session Minutes on January 26, 2017
- D. Annual Staff Reports
- E. Grant Updates

Commissioner Herakovich moved approval of the consent agenda. Commissioner Hult seconded. Commissioners noted they would like to have staff members every so often present their staff report updates at the meetings A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Herakovich, Hult, Kerins, and Livesay. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORT

- A. **Forest Preserve Friends Foundation Report** – Commissioner Livesay reported at the last meeting they approved the first payout for the KRT, Meredith Mills, the group’s treasurer met with the FPF designated investor to discuss FPF investment options, and also noted an annual 2016 FPF audit separate from but concurrent with the District audit would be conducted.
- B. **Community Engagement Group** – Commissioners Herakovich stated she and Commissioner Goodman are still talking with 2 individuals, and noted the need for defining a start date is also being worked on.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- A. **Strategic Plan Update** – Director Olson noted that the initiative “increasing the percentage of alternative revenue by 20%”, listed under “Investigate new revenue sources”, will need to be reviewed. Commissioners noted that addition of land acquisition should possibly be added and that a Strategic Plan review would be a good Study Session topic. Commissioners asked Mary Ellen Wuellner, in regard to managing the Foundation donor database, if the Little Green Light software was working. Ms. Wuellner noted the software is working fine. Commissioners thanked staff for all their work updating the document.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

A. **Disbursements for approval**

Commissioner Livesay moved approval of Disbursements for January 27, 2017 through February 16, 2017 for a total of \$130,821.14. Commissioner Hult seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

B. **January Treasures Report**

Commissioner Hult moved the Board approve the January Treasures Report. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

C. **Resolution R-2017-02 Amended and Restated Bylaws**

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve the Resolution #R-2017-02 Amended and Restated Bylaws. Commissioner Livesay seconded. Commissioner Hult noted for the wording on 4.3, in regard to term, should read not more than two consecutive full-terms. Hult amended for approval with said change. Herakovich seconded. Commissioners also asked staff to bring information on the committees such as the Freedom Fest committee and how the District is involved. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

D. **Resolution R-2017-03 KRT Lease Commitment**

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board adopt Resolution R-2017-03 KRT Lease Commitment. Commissioner Hult seconded. Commissioners noted as this position has been budgeted in the 2017 budget, there is not a need to regulate the use of these monies for the position. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: None. The Following Commissioners voted “no” Herakovich, Hult, Kerins and Livesay. Motion failed.

E. **Resolution R-2017- 04 Golf Liability**

Commissioner Herakovich moved approval of Resolution R-2017-04 Golf Liabilities Removal. Commissioner Hult seconded. Commissioners noted this subject would be a good topic for review for a Board Study Session. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

F. **Intergovernmental Agreement – Maintenance Agreement with St Joseph**

Commissioner Herakovich moved the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement – Maintenance Agreement with St Joseph as noted in attached document. Commissioner Hult seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

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G. Intergovernmental Agreement: Weaver Park/Kickapoo Rail Trail Feasibility Study

Commissioner Hult moved the Board approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Urbana Park District, the Champaign County Forest Preserve District, and the City of Urbana to complete a feasibility study of Weaver Park as a trailhead for the Kickapoo Rail trail. Commissioner Herakovich seconded. Commissioner Herakovich moved to table. Commissioner Hult seconded. A voice vote was taken. Motion was tabled.

H. Middle Fork Tractor Replacement

Commissioner Hult moved the Board approve the purchase for one (1) new John Deere 4052R Compact Utility Tractor with John Deere Front End Loader H180 and Frontier AV20E Root Grapple from John Deere AHW, LLC for Forty Five Thousand, Seven Hundred, and Thirty Dollars and Thirty Six Cents (\$45,730.36). Commissioner Herakovich seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Herakovich, Hult, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Herakovich made a motion at 7:49 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”: Herakovich, Hult, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

Commissioner Kerins closed Executive Session at 8:59 pm and opened the Regular Meeting.

REGULAR SESSION

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS – None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hult moved adjournment of the Regular Meeting at 9:00 p.m. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Herakovich, Hult, Kerins and Livesay. Motion carried.

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