

**KENDALL COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

JUNE 3, 2020

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Flowers called the Operations Committee meeting to order at 6:01 pm in the Kendall County Board Room.

II. Roll Call

Commissioners Flowers, Gilmour, and Prochaska all were present.

III. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Gilmour made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. All, aye. Opposed, none.

IV. Public Comments

No public comments were offered from citizens in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

No agenda items posted for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

V. KCFPD Plan for Phased Reopening Services and Amenities

Director Guritz presented an overview of the District's phased plan reopening preserve amenities and services..

VI. Review of Preliminary Financial Statements through May 31, 2020

- Coronavirus FY20 Revenue Impacts on District Services
- Phased Reopening Services Strategies and Budgeted Expenditure Reductions

Director Guritz prested preliminary financial statements through May 31, 2020. The Operations Committee discussed coronavirus impacts to District revenues.

VII. Review and Approval of Special Use Permit Requests

- Yorkville Athletic Association Request to Allow Team Practices during the COVID Phase III Re-opening Time Period

Director Guritz presented the field maintenance and practice rules received from the Yorkville Athletic Association that included Phase III social distancing guidelines and maximum participation under 10- total individuals.

The Operations Committee gave direction to allow field maintenance and practices to resume under the guidelines presented.

VIII. Capital Project Updates

- a. Fox River Bluffs Cropland Conversion Project Updates
 - I. Carbon Credits through City Forest Credits
 - II. 2018 RTP Grant
- b. USFS Landscape Scale Restoration Project Grant Agreement
- c. Pickerill-Pigott Phase I OSLAD Project Updates
 - I. IDNR PARC Grant and DCEO Fast Track Grant Applications Status
- d. Millbrook Bridge Removal Project Updates

The Operations Committee discussed the status of the District's capital projects. Director Guritz reported that the District may be in a position to sell carbon credits for the reforestation effort at Fox River Bluffs.

Construction is underway at Pickerill-Pigott Forest Preserve.

IX. Program Updates (NB Enrollment; Summer Camps; Education Services; Facility Rentals; Equestrian Center)

Director Guritz presented updates on District services impacted by coronavirus. Natural Beginnings is presently at full enrollment for the 20-21 program year. Ellis Equestrian Center services will be resuming with a full schedule.

X. Executive Session

None.

XI. Summary of Action Items

Director Guritz provided a summary of action items.

XII. Citizens to be Heard

No public comments were offered by citizens in attendance.

XIII. Other Items of Business

Commission Prochaska presented information on a citizen concern over removal/cutting of trees at District preserves.

Director Guritz stated that only District staff and volunteers operating under staff supervision may remove plant material such as tree limbs. Removal and/or damage to preserve vegetation is considered a violation of the General Use Ordinance.

The Operations Committee discussed the Ellis House and Equestrian Center webpage. Director Guritz stated that the Ellis House and Equestrian Center webpage, and kendallforest.com will be discontinued once migration to the Granicus website is completed.

XIV. Adjournment

Commissioner Prochaska made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Gilmour. Aye, all. Opposed, none. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Guritz
Executive Director, Kendall County Forest Preserve District