

**KENDALL COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

FEBRUARY 16, 2016

I. Call to Order

President Wehrli called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Kendall County Board Room.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Invocation

Commissioner Prochaska offered an invocation for the meeting.

IV. Roll Call

Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Koukol, Prochaska, Shaw, and Wehrli all were present.

V. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Koukol made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. Aye, all. Opposed, none.

VI. Citizens to Be Heard

No public comments were offered by those in attendance.

Commissioners Gryder and Purcell entered the meeting at 9:01 am.

VII. Approval of Claims in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$7,338.31

Commissioner Davidson made a motion to approve claims in an amount not-to-exceed \$7,338.31. Seconded by Commissioner Cullick.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Approval of Minutes

- a. Forest Preserve Commission Meetings – January 19, 2016 and February 2, 2016
- b. Forest Preserve Programming and Events Committee Meeting – February 3, 2016
- c. Finance Preserve Finance Committee Meeting – February 10, 2016

d. Forest Preserve Committee of the Whole Meeting – February 10, 2016

Commissioner Gryder made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the Forest Preserve Commission meetings held on January 19, 2016 and February 2, 2016; the Programming and Events Committee meeting held on February 3, 2016; the Finance Committee meeting held on February 10, 2016, and the Forest Preserve Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 10, 2016 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. All, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Wetland Mitigation Banking Overview and Presentation – Hey and Associates, Inc.

A presentation from Vince Mosca, Vice President and Senior Ecologist with Hey and Associates, Inc. was tabled to the March Committee of the Whole meeting.

X. Ordinance #16-02-001 Authorizing the Execution of a License Agreement Between the Forest Preserve District of Kendall County and the Yorkville Athletic Association NFP for the Use and Maintenance of the Ball Field and Picnic Pavilion at Hoover Forest Preserve

Commissioner Purcell made a motion to approve Ordinance #16-02-001 authorizing the execution of a license agreement between the Forest Preserve District of Kendall County and the Yorkville Athletic Association, NFP for the use and maintenance of the ball field and picnic pavilion at Hoover Forest Preserve. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska.

President Wehrli reported that the agreement had been reviewed by the Programming and Events Committee, and State's Attorney's Office. Insurance provisions were modified within the agreement to fit the Association's coverages.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Motion to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding for a Cooperative Education Program to Benefit the Residents of Kendall County

Commissioner Gryder made a motion to approve a memorandum of understanding for a cooperative education program to benefit the residents of Kendall County as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. Motion to Approve an Agreement with the Oswegoland Park District for the Marketing, Registration, and Delivery of Beginner Riding Lessons Programming at Ellis House and Equestrian Center

Commissioner Purcell made a motion to approve the agreement with the Oswegoland Park District for lessons programming at Ellis House and Equestrian Center as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Cullick.

Director Guritz reported that there were no changes from the agreement presented at the Programming and Events Committee meeting.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Motion to Approve the Purchase of the Lesson Horse, "Shadow" in the Amount of \$1,300.00 from Breanne Reichert of Minooka, Illinois Following Completion of a 5-Day Trial Period

Commissioner Purcell made a motion to approve the purchase of the lesson horse, Shadow in the amount of \$1,300.00 from Breanne Reichert of Minooka, Illinois following completion of a 5-day trial period. Seconded by Commissioner Cullick.

Director Guritz reported that Ellis Equestrian Center staff have checked out the horse at the owner's stable, and have reported that Shadow will be a good fit for the program.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Gilmour, Gryder, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, Commissioners Davidson and Koukol. Motion carried by a vote of 7 to 2.

XIV. Motion to Allow for the Extension of a Housing Option to Unpaid Interns at Ellis House and Equestrian Center

Commissioner Gryder made a motion to allow for the extension of housing at Ellis House and Equestrian Center to unpaid interns. Seconded by Commissioner Cullick.

President Wehrli reported that this agenda item had been reviewed and discussed at the Committee of the Whole. Director Guritz stated that he would like to take advantage of the facilities available at Ellis House. An offer for intern housing should help attract students to participate in credit-based internships at the center.

Commission directed staff to prepare housing rules for review and approval.

President Wehrli called the question. Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XV. Motion to Approve a Proposal from Illinois Natural Areas Improvements in the Amount of \$4,000.00 for Ten Ecological Restoration Work Days at Maramech Forest Preserve

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve a proposal from Illinois Natural Areas Improvements in the amount of \$4,000.00 for ten ecological restoration work days at Maramech Forest Preserve. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XVI. Motion to Approve a Proposal from Natural Resource Management, Inc. in the Amount of \$2,496.00 for an Ecological Restoration Work Day at Maramech Forest Preserve

Commissioner Purcell made a motion to approve a proposal from Natural Resource Management, Inc. in the amount of \$2,496.00 for an ecological restoration work day at Maramech Forest Preserve. Seconded by Commissioner Cullick.

Director Guritz reported that this is part of the District's required 1:1 match for the \$10,000.00 ComEd Green Region grant.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XVII. Motion to Approve a Special Event Permit from Yorkville High School to Host a Cross Country Meet at Hoover Forest Preserve on August 22, 2016

Commissioner Gryder made a motion to approve a special event permit from Yorkville High School to host a cross country meet at Hoover Forest Preserve on August 22, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder. Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XVIII. Motion to Approve the Seasonal Summer Camp Instructor and the Ellis House and Equestrian Center Seasonal Position Descriptions

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve the Seasonal Summer Camp Instructor and the Ellis House and Equestrian Center Seasonal position descriptions as presented.

Seconded by Commissioner Purcell. All, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

XIX. Motion to Approve a Letter of Understanding with Kendall County Establishing a Maximum Per Claim Cost Limit Incurred to the District of \$100,000 for Workers' Compensation Claims

President Wehrli stated that the terms included in the letter of understanding will be integrated into an intergovernmental agreement with Kendall County, and presented to the Commission for formal approval.

XX. Executive Session

None.

XXI. Other Items of Business

No other items of business were discussed.

XXII. Citizens to Be Heard

No public comments were offered.

XXIII. Adjournment

Commissioner Purcell made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder. Aye, all. Opposed, none. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 am.

Respectfully submitted,

David Guritz
Director, Kendall County Forest Preserve District