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DeKalb County Government  
Sycamore, Illinois

**COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT PROCEEDINGS**  
**January 17, 2018**

The DeKalb County Forest Preserve District Commissioners met in regular session at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium on Wednesday, January 17, 2018. President Pietrowski called the meeting to order and the Secretary called the roll. Those Commissioners present were Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, and President Pietrowski. Those Commissioners absent were Mr. Porterfield and Mr. Stoddard. A quorum was established with twenty-two Commissioners present and two absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion

Ms. Little moved to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2017 meeting. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

President Pietrowski asked for a voice vote on the approval of minutes. All Commissioners voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved to approve the agenda and Ms. Willis seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

President Pietrowski asked for a voice vote to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**ELECTION OF FOREST PRESERVE COMMISSIONER'S VICE-PRESIDENT**

Nominations

Mr. Jones nominated Mr. John Frieders to be the Forest Preserve Commissioner's Vice-President. Mr. Plote seconded the motion.

*President Pietrowski asked three times if there were any other nominations for a Forest Preserve Vice-President.*

Close Nominations

Hearing no other nominations, Mr. Faivre moved to close nominations for a Vice-President. Mr. Bagby seconded the motion.

Vote to Close Nominations

The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote to close the nominations for Vice-President.

Vote to Elect the Forest Preserve Commissioner's Vice-President

President Pietrowski called for a roll call vote to elect Mr. John Frieders as the Forest Preserve Commissioner's Vice-President. Those voting yea were Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, and President Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all Commissioners present voted yea.

**PERSONS TO BE HEARD FROM THE FLOOR**

There were no persons to be heard from.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Resolution FP-R2018-01: Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment for the DeKalb County Forest Preserve District**

Motion

Mr. Brown moved the DeKalb County Forest Preserve District Commissioners hereby adopt The Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment for the DeKalb Forest Preserve District, included as Exhibit A to this resolution, and said Policy does hereby supersede all previous District policies and shall be in full force and effective after its passage and publication as provided by law. Ms. Askins seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

President Pietrowski called for a voice vote on the motion as presented. All Commissioner voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution FP-R2018-02: Franklin Township Land Acquisition**

Motion

Mr. Brown moved that the DeKalb County Forest Preserve District Commissioners hereby approve this land acquisition for the property located on parcel number 01-23-100-004 in Franklin Township in the total amount of \$1,171,500 to preserve public land for recreation, environmental education and habitat preservation for now and future generations.

Roll Call Vote

After Forest Preserve District Superintendent Terry Hannan answered some questions from Commissioners and provided some clarification on the District's land acquisition process, President Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those Commissioners that voted yea were Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, and President Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all Commissioners present voting yea.

**Claims**

Motion

Mr. Brown moved to approve the payment of claims for the month of January 2018, and the off cycle claims paid during the previous month, including all claims for travel, meals, and lodging, in the amount of \$634,073.59. Mr. Luebke seconded the motion.

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Roll Call Vote

President Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the approval of the January Claims. Those Commissioners voting yea were Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, and President Pietrowski. All Commissioners voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion

Mrs. Askins moved to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Little seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

President Pietrowski called for a voice vote on the adjournment. Motion carried unanimously.

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Douglas J. Johnson, Secretary  
DeKalb County Forest Preserve  
District Commissioners

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Mark Pietrowski Jr., President,  
DeKalb County Forest Preserve  
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