

Journal of Proceedings
REGULAR MEETING – BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
June 15, 2023, 6:00 pm,
Salt Fork Center, Homer Lake Forest Preserve, Homer, IL

The Champaign County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners met at a Regular Meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023, at the Salt Fork Center, Homer Lake Forest Preserve, Homer, IL. Commissioner Goodman called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Commissioner Livesay called the roll. The following Commissioners were present: Goodman, Herakovich, and Livesay. Commissioner Hundley and Kerins were absent with notice.

REMOTE ATTENDANCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS - None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 18, 2023**
- B. Minutes of Executive Session on May 18, 2023**
- C. Monthly Staff Reports**
- D. May Treasurers Report**
- E. Disbursements for Approval**

Commissioner Livesay made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Herakovich seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Herakovich, and Livesay.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

A. Forest Preserve Friends Foundation

Livesay noted she was unable to attend the last meeting, but Commissioners Kerins was able to attend in her place. Pearson reported they finalized endowment setup with Bank Champaign

B. Citizens Advisory Committee – Did not meet

C. Commissioner Comments

Commissioners cited the following items from staff reports and observations:

- Staff collaboration
- Freedom Fest Finale announcement
- Summer concerts
- Golf programming
- Volunteer recognition
- Visitation numbers
- Investment information provided
- Facilities database

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- David Monk (Heartland Pathways non-profit organization) memorial bench on the KRT dedication
- Fisherman's Shelter
- Recycling of the Greenhouse materials
- Pearson's efforts sharing the 75th Anniversary information

Commissioners also noted thanks to staff for their work, great staff report information, and for so quickly responding to the concerns of a patron that attended last month's meeting to speak on concerns at River Bend Forest Preserve.

Livesay also noted she would like to see the museum website, as the Education and Museum are now under one category, to speak not only of the museum, but the Interpretive Center as well.

Commissioner Livesay lastly offered thanks to fellow commissioners current and past; District staff, and her family for her past 10-years on the CCFPD Board. Livesay said she will always be a friend of the CCFPD and always be a supporter of the District.

STAFF REPORTS

A. Executive Director Announcements – Pearson noted thanks to Mike Daab, Deputy Director, for his work streamlining and combining the District budget process to align with the strategic plan. Pearson also thanked staff for their work on creating the 75th Anniversary exhibit at the museum and noted the upcoming Pedal the Preserves activity, and reported Museum and Education Director, Kamryn Suttinger, had started with the District today!

Mike Daab noted District trails will be soon available on the Prairie State Conservation Coalition App.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve Pro Shop/Clubhouse HVAC Quote

Commissioner Herakovich moved the Board approve the bid alternate #3 for HVAC (Materials and Installation) at Lake of the Woods Golf Course from Fred's Plumbing and Heating for Forty-Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Four and 00/100 (\$42,364.00) and authorize the Executive Director to execute the contract. Commissioner Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted "yes": Goodman, Herakovich, and Livesay.

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B. Resolution 2023-07 Honoring Commissioner Sarah Livesay

Commissioner Herakovich moved approval of Resolution 2023-07 Honoring Commissioner Sarah Livesay. Commissioner Goodman seconded. Herakovich read the resolution.

Commissioners Goodman and Herakovich thanked Livesay for her work on the Board. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Herakovich, and Livesay.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Herakovich made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:33 pm. Livesay seconded. A roll call vote was taken. The following commissioners voted “yes”: Goodman, Herakovich, and Livesay.

Wendy Hundley, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer
Board of Commissioners
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