I. **Call to Order**
Elizabeth Flowers called the meeting to order at 11:00 am. Present and constituting a quorum were Elizabeth Flowers, Amy Cesich, Lynn Cullick, and Jeff Wehrli. Also present was Forest Preserve staff Jason Pettit, Tina Villarreal, Ron Smrz, Elaine Salato, Erin Mroz, and Debbie Granat. Also present was Leanne Koch.

II. **Citizens to be Heard**
No citizens asked to speak.

III. **Ellis House & Equestrian Center Discussion**
- Pettit reported that Bob Ellingson, the recently hired barn manager, had resigned this morning.
- Villarreal reported on her duties – registrations, public relations and marketing, wedding and house rentals, accounts payable and accounts receivable.
- The committee discussed several marketing items and budgeting.
- The Reindeer Run 5k was successful with over 100 participants, the most ever.
- Salato reported on her duties – office duties, volunteer files, and helping out wherever needed.
- Mroz reported on her duties – equestrian lessons and programming, and horse care. Lessons are slowing down as usual over the winter. Oswegoland Park District lessons begin again next week.
- The committee discussed the volunteers and community service workers. Working more with schools and their community service requirements was discussed.
- Koch had several ideas – signage on Route 52, having other animals on site, and having a small picnic shelter.
- The committee discussed trail riding events that would possible tie in with other groups and stables.
- Granat reported on her duties – children’s programming and horse care.
- Smrz reported on his duties – grounds and house maintenance.
IV. Other Items of Business
No other items of business were discussed.

V. Adjournment
Commissioner Cullick moved to adjourn at 12:45 am. Commissioner Cesich seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote.

Submitted by,

Jason Pettit
Director