I. Call to Order

President Wehrli called the meeting to order at 6:02 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, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Shaw, and Wehrli all were present.

V. Approval of Agenda

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

VI. Citizens to Be Heard

No public comments were offered by those in attendance.

VII. Approval of Minutes

a. Forest Preserve Finance Committee Meeting – November 10, 2015 Forest Preserve
b. Forest Preserve Committee of the Whole Meeting – November 10, 2015
c. Forest Preserve Commission Meeting– November 17, 2015

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the Forest Preserve Finance Committee meeting held on November 10, 2015; the Committee of the Whole meeting held on November 10, 2015; and the Forest Preserve Commission meeting held on November 17, 2015 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. All, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.
VIII. Motion to Approve Farm Lease Agreement #15-12-001 with Mark and Tom Mathre for the Lease of 157.31 Acres of District Property at Millbrook North; 118.58 Acres at Millbrook South, and 127.41 Acres at Millington Forest Preserve for a Total Amount of $79,890.50 for Base Rent, Including $200.00 for Grain Dryer Use, Utility Bill Reimbursement, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve farm lease agreement #15-12-001 with Mark and Tom Mathre for the Lease of 157.31 Acres of District Property at Millbrook North; 118.58 Acres at Millbrook South, and 127.41 Acres at Millington Forest Preserve for a Total Amount of $79,890.50 for Base Rent, Including $200.00 for Grain Dryer Use, Utility Bill Reimbursement, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder.

Director Guritz reported that this agreement includes assigned acres from the 2015 farm lease with Gayle and Randy Roberts. The agreement includes assigned maintenance of the grain dryers of Millbrook South, including payment of utilities and usage fees based on bushels dried.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, None. Motion approved unanimously.

IX. Motion to Approve Farm Lease Agreement #15-12-002 with Dan and Don Roberts for the Lease of 41 Acres of District Property at Baker Woods Forest Preserve for a Total Amount of $6,970.00 for Base Rent, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve farm lease agreement #15-12-002 with Dan and Don Roberts for the Lease of 41 Acres of District Property at Baker Woods Forest Preserve for a Total Amount of $6,970.00 for Base Rent, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder.

Director Guritz reported that a call for proposals will be published to secure farm lease proposals for the remaining 61 acres at Baker Woods Forest Preserve.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, None. Motion approved unanimously.
X. **Motion to Approve Farm Lease Agreement #15-12-003 with Albert Collins, Jr. for the Lease of 95 Acres of District Property at Henneberry Forest Preserve for a Total Amount of $18,525.00 for Base Rent, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment**

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve farm lease agreement #15-12-003 with Albert Collins, Jr. for the Lease of 95 Acres of District Property at Henneberry Forest Preserve for a Total Amount of $18,525.00 for Base Rent, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder.

Director Guritz stated that 45 of the 95 acres are scheduled for cropland conversion starting in fall. Because of this, certain pesticides are disallowed for use, and soybeans will need to be harvested in late October or early November.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, None. Motion approved unanimously.

XI. **Motion to Approve Farm Lease Agreement #15-12-004 with Don and Beth Young for the Lease of 12 Acres of District Property at Bristol Township – Galena Road for a Total Amount of $2,160.00 for Base Rent, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment**

Commissioner Purcell arrived at the meeting at 6:08 pm.

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve farm lease agreement #15-12-004 with Don and Beth Young for the Lease of 12 Acres of District Property at Bristol Township – Galena Road for a Total Amount of $2,160.00 for Base Rent, Plus a Calculated Yield Payment. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder.

Director Guritz stated that because yield along Blackberry Creek can be problematic, Commission accepted yield calculations based on calibrated combine harvest data. This practice is scheduled to continue in 2016.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Koukol, Prochaska, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, None. Abstain, Commissioner Purcell. Motion approved by a vote of 8 to 1.
XII. Executive Session

None.

XIII. Other Items of Business

None.

XIV. Citizens to Be Heard

No public comments were offered by those in attendance.

XV. Adjournment

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. Aye, all. Opposed, none. Meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Guritz
Director, Kendall County Forest Preserve District