

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

**AUGUST 6, 2019**

**I. Call to Order**

President Gilmour called the meeting to order at 6:37 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**

X	Cesich	X	Hendrix
X	Flowers		Kellogg
X	Giles	X	Prochaska
X	Gilmour	X	Gengler
X	Gryder	X	Vickers

Commissioners Cesich, Flowers, Giles, Gilmour, Gryder, Hendrix, Prochaska, Gengler, and Vickers all were present.

**V. Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Prochaska made a motion to approve the Commission meeting agenda with the amended order for placement of the Executive Session before Old Business. Seconded by Commissioner Gryder. Aye, all. Opposed, none.

**VI. Public Comment**

Sue Panozzo presented public comments on the Pickerill estate house, citing concerns over Mr. Pickerill's treatment by the District, and the proposed lease agreement.

**VII. Approval of Claims for an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$37,706.72**

Commissioner Cesich made a motion to approve claims not-to-exceed \$37,706.72. Seconded by Commissioner Flowers.

Motion: Commissioner Cesich

Second: Commissioner Flowers

**Roll call: Claims Not-to-Exceed \$37,706.72**

<b>Aye</b>	<b>Opposed</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Opposed</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>
X		Cesich	X		Hendrix
X		Flowers			Kellogg
X		Giles	X		Prochaska
X		Gilmour	X		Gengler
X		Gryder	X		Vickers

Motion unanimously approved.

### **VIII. Approval of Minutes**

- **Kendall County Forest Preserve District Committee of the Whole Meeting of July 9, 2019**
  - **Kendall County Forest Preserve District Commission Meeting of July 16, 2019**
- Commissioner Cesich made a motion to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of July 9, 2019, and the Operations Committee meeting minutes of July 16, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Flowers. Aye, all. Opposed, none.

### **IX. Executive Session**

Commissioner Prochaska made a motion to enter executive session under 2(c)1 of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Seconded by Commissioner Cesich.

Roll call: Commission Cesich, Flowers, Gilmour, Giles, Gryder, Hendrix, Prochaska, Gengler, and Vickers, aye. Opposed, none.

Executive Session called to order at 6:37 pm.

Commissioner Gryder made a motion to adjourn from Executive Session. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. Aye, all. Opposed, none.

Regular meeting reconvened at 7:38 pm.

Commissioner Hendrix made a motion to forward agenda items IX, X, and XI to their respective committees. Seconded by Commissioner Flowers.

Commissioner Prochaska suggested that rather than sending the items back to a District committee for discussion, that the items be rescheduled for consideration at the upcoming Commission meeting.

The Board of Commissioners discussed the approach to be taken. Commissioner Hendrix amended her motion to have the agenda items deferred to the Committee of the Whole

meeting for further discussion. Commissioner Flowers amended her second in support of the amended motion.

Director Guritz requested clarification on the motion on the table. ASA Johnson stated that the motion on the table was to postpone consideration and defer the agenda items to the Committee of the Whole meeting based on Commissioner Hendrix amending her motion, followed by Commissioner Flowers amending her second to that motion. Aye, Commissioners Cesich, Flowers, Giles, Hendrix, Prochaska, Gengler, Vickers, and Gilmour. Opposed, Commissioner Gryder. Motion carried by a vote of 8:1.

The Board of Commissioners discussed and changed the start time for the Committee of the Whole meeting to 5:15 pm on August 13, 2019.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- X. **MOTION: Approval of a 12% Annualized Salary Increase for David Guritz, Executive Director of the Kendall County Forest Preserve District from \$85,000.00 to \$95,200.00 Effective August 17, 2019**

Agenda item forwarded to Committee of the Whole.

- XI. **MOTION: Approval of a Two-Year Lease Agreement between the Kendall County Forest Preserve District and David Guritz, Executive Director for Use of the Pickerill Estate House “Maid’s Room,” Adjoining Washroom, Laundry Room, Kitchen Area, Garage Stall, and Basement Storage Area as a Private Residence at Pickerill-Pigott Forest Preserve for an Initial Monthly Rent Payment Standards Thereafter, Including Payment of a \$1,000.00 Rental Security Deposit**

Agenda item forwarded to Committee of the Whole.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- XII. **MOTION: Approval of Headcount Reductions for the Kendall County Forest Preserve District, Including the Elimination of the Full Time Superintendent Position, Elimination of the Part Time Rental Venues Coordinator Position, Elimination of the Part Time Environmental Education Coordinator Position, and Elimination of the Part Time Resident and Grounds Maintenance – Pickerill-Pigott Position**

Agenda item forwarded to Committee of the Whole.

- XIII. **Other Items of Business**

President Gilmour appointed Commissioners Gengler and Prochaska to work with Director Guritz on the review of the Kendall County Forest Preserve District's FY20 budget. Commissioner Kellogg has been assigned to work on the Kendall County budget, and expressed appreciation for their support.

Director Guritz reported that the demolition of the Pigott house at Pickerill-Pigott Forest Preserve is underway, and will be completed in late August by the Bristol-Kendall Fire Department.

Director Guritz reported on excavation of storm water control infrastructure at Little Rock Creek Forest Preserve that can be brought back into use to avoid future washouts of the gravel trail.

Director Guritz reported on an emergency repair completed to a fire hydrant at Hoover, as well as other project efforts in the preserve.

Director Guritz asked, and President Gilmour confirmed that the District's Commission meeting scheduled for August 20, 2019 will be rescheduled to August 27, 2019.

#### **XIV. Public Comments**

Jim Wyman with WSPY News asked who had voted no on referring the agenda items back to Committee of the Whole. Commissioner Gryder stated he was the no vote.

#### **XV. Adjournment**

Commissioner Gryder made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Flowers. Aye, all. Opposed, none. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Guritz  
Director, Kendall County Forest Preserve District