

**ROCK ISLAND COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 16, 2021 – 6:08 PM
PRESIDENT KAI SWANSON PRESIDING**

1. Karen Kinney, County Clerk, called the roll: (Record)

D. Adams, D. Beck, L. Boswell-Loftin, R. Brunk, L. Burns, D. Clevenger, D. Cremeens, J. Deppe, C. Enburg, D. Johnston, E. Langdon, K. Maranda, D. Mielke, L. Moreno, M. Moreno, R. Morthland, A. Normoyle, S. Noyd, P. O'Brien, E. Sowards, K. Swanson, B. Vyncke, J. R. Westpfahl, J. Woods

TOTAL PRESENT 24

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TOTAL ABSENT 1

2. Commissioner Clevenger moved to approve the Forest Preserve Commission meeting minutes from January 19, 2020, as presented. Commissioners Burns and Deppe seconded.

A roll call vote was taken.

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TOTAL YES 23

TOTAL NO 0

Motion carried.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS: (None) Three calls were made to the public for comments.**

4. **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:**

President Swanson stated, "I have been waiting all day to tell you about this. The auction for the Rhino exhibit was very successful. And, as of this afternoon, we can report the total amount raised for the Rhino project now stands at \$85,000. So, I want to thank these Commissioners who have been such great leaders. The staff at the zoo have been incredible, especially as Niabi pivots towards a greater reliance on philanthropy, a greater emphasis on the staff, the leadership, Mr. Jackson and the entire team are to be commended. So, that's extremely exciting. And, just as exciting...the 'Keep QC Campaign' has so far raised \$1,500 for a variety of projects, including bee pollinator habitats and similar. So, the Quad Cities as we have always known as a very generous place...we are thankful to those. We'll have more details and more celebrations to come, but

those were very exciting news. Uh, we'll have an opportunity for commissioner comments in a moment."

5. Commissioner Enburg moved to approve the Forest Preserve Claims and Treasurer's Disbursements in the amount of \$156,424.48, as presented. Commissioner Boswell-Loftin seconded.

Commissioner Burns moved to approve the previous roll call vote. Commissioner Clevenger seconded.

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Motion carried.

6. Commissioner Burns moved to remove from display and approve the District's Procedure Manual, as presented. Commissioner Sowards seconded.
(Inc. by Ref.)

Commissioner Boswell-Loftin moved to approve the previous roll call vote. Commissioner Cremeens seconded.

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Motion carried.

7. **Comments from Commissioners: (None)**

8. Commissioner Burns moved to approve all Routine Reports from the Director and Departments Heads of the Forest Preserve Commission, as presented. Commissioner Deppe seconded.

Commissioner Adams moved to approve the previous roll call vote.
Commissioner Clevenger seconded.

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Motion carried.

9. Commissioner Clevenger moved to approve the appointment of Alex Calvert, Rock Island, Illinois to the Community Advisory Board, as presented.
Commissioner Deppe seconded.

Commissioner Clevenger was recognized.

Mr. Clevenger asked, "Is this a paid position?"

President Swanson stated, "No, this is a volunteer citizen's advisory Board."

Commissioner Deppe moved to approve the previous roll call vote.
Commissioner Brunk seconded.

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Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Forest Preserve Commission is Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 5:30pm, immediately following the meeting of the Rock Island County Board.

President Swanson declared the Forest Preserve Meeting recessed.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



KAREN KINNEY
COUNTY CLERK AND SECRETARY
OF THE FOREST PRESERVE COMMISSION

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