

**ROCK ISLAND COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE COMMISSION**  
**JANUARY 18, 2022 – 6:18 PM**  
**PRESIDENT KAI SWANSON PRESIDING**

1. Nick Camlin, Chief Deputy County Clerk, called the roll: (Record)

D. Adams, D. Beck, K. Bogdonas, L. Boswell-Loftin, R. Brunk, L. Burns, M. Burns,  
D. Clevenger, D. Cremeens, J. Deppe, C. Enburg, E. Langdon, P. McNeil, D. Mielke,  
L. Moreno, M. Moreno, R. Morthland, A. Normoyle, R. Simmer, E. Sowards,  
K. Swanson, L. Thompson, B. Vyncke, J.R. Westpfahl, J. Woods

**TOTAL PRESENT      25**

**TOTAL ABSENT      0**

2. Commissioner Deppe moved to approve the December 21, 2021, Forest Preserve Commission meeting minutes, as presented. Commissioner Adams seconded.

A roll call vote was taken.

D. Adams, D. Beck, K. Bogdonas, L. Boswell-Loftin, L. Burns, M. Burns, D. Clevenger,  
D. Cremeens, J. Deppe, C. Enburg, E. Langdon, P. McNeil, D. Mielke, L. Moreno,  
M. Moreno, R. Morthland, A. Normoyle, R. Simmer, E. Sowards, L. Thompson,  
B. Vyncke, J.R. Westpfahl, J. Woods

**TOTAL YES            23**

**TOTAL NO            0**

Motion carried.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS: (None)**

4. **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:**

President Swanson stated, "As for President's Comments, just a couple of quick things. Winter maintenance is in full swing at all the facilities. You want to note, that if you would like to support Niabi Zoo, there is a new calendar available with plenty of wonderful pictures of the animals that are in our care at the zoo, including the rock-star of the year: Kito the endangered southern white elephant, who we think is going to have—what's that I'm sorry, Mr. Craver. [Inaudible]. What'd I say? Elephant, my goodness, why would I say that? Glad there's no members of the public on the line. An endangered southern white rhino. Who—I'll make you forget about the other part, because by this time next year we hope he's going to have a girlfriend. Tinder.com is a lot harder at the rhinoceros' stage, but we're working on it. Also, the painted dogs exhibit fundraising is under way. If you'd like to learn more about that you're welcome to talk to Mr. Jackson, Mr. Craver, or myself any time. I would just like to add one other thing, and that is that yesterday I had the honor of witnessing the meeting of our Citizen's Advisory

Board. Those meetings are open to you at any time if you'd like to see what's going on. You'll be very impressed. We've got a great group of people who are diligently working to advance and support the zoo. Those of us who are parents and grandparents, are very grateful for the work the people are doing to make that great facility available to our community. So, if you get a chance, sit on one of those meetings sometime. With that, if there are any questions, we'll ask that you hold off on those until we have the routine reports, and I'd be happy to answer those at any time."

5. Commissioner Simmer moved to approve the Claims and Forest Preserve Treasurer's Disbursements in the amount of \$140,622.11 and to waive the reading and approve the Transfers of Appropriation in the General Fund, as presented. Commissioner Adams seconded.

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

D. Adams, D. Beck, K. Bogdonas, L. Boswell-Loffin, L. Burns, M. Burns, D. Clevenger, D. Cremeens, J. Deppe, C. Enburg, E. Langdon, P. McNeil, D. Mielke, L. Moreno, M. Moreno, R. Morthland, A. Normoyle, R. Simmer, E. Sowards, L. Thompson, B. Vyncke, J.R. Westpfahl, J. Woods

**TOTAL YES                23**

**TOTAL NO                0**

Motion carried.

6. Commissioner Adams moved to waive the reading and approve the Resolution regarding the Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes, as presented. Commissioner Vyncke seconded.

## Resolution

### Rock Island County Forest Preserve District

#### Re: Open Meetings Act Review of Minutes of a Meeting Lawfully Closed

WHEREAS, the Rock Island County Forest Preserve Commission strictly adheres to all provisions of the Open Meetings Act as defined in 5 ILCS 120; and

WHEREAS, 5 ILCS 120/2.06(c), calls for periodic review of minutes of meetings lawfully closed to determine if the need for confidentiality still exists as to all or part of these minutes or that the minutes or portions therefor no longer require confidential treatment and are available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, during regular committee meetings held during the month of January, 2020; Rock Island County Forest Preserve has reviewed minutes of closed meetings for all previously held closed sessions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT *RESOLVED* that the following meeting minutes have been determined to contain matters where the need for confidentiality still exists:

<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Reason for Closed Session</u>
08-08-1986	Personnel
12-05-1986	Personnel
02-08-1991	Personnel & Potential Liability
07-10-1992	Personnel
02-05-1993	Investments contracts
05-07-1993	Personnel
08-15-1995	Personnel
08-05-2005	Litigation
09-30-2010	Personnel
10-08-2010	Personnel
12-03-2010	Personnel
03-04-2011	Personnel
04-05-2012	Personnel
06-05-2012	Personnel
06-07-2012	Personnel
06-08-2012	Personnel
06-27-2012	Personnel

06-28-2012	Personnel
10-15-2012	Litigation & Personnel
07-11-2013	Personnel
09-12-2013	Litigation
11-14-2013	Litigation & Personnel
12-12-2013	Litigation & Personnel
01-16-2014	Litigation
11-13-2014	Personnel
02-11-2015	Personnel
04-16-2015	Personnel
10-14-2015	Personnel
11-10-2015	Personnel
02-16-2016	Potential Litigation
03-17-2016	Personnel
04-12-2016	Personnel
06-15-2016	Litigation
01-10-2017	Litigation
04-11-2017	Litigation
01-09-2018	Personnel
11-13-2018	Personnel & Land Acquisition
02-11-2020	Personnel
12-15-2020	Litigation
07-13-2021	Land Acquisition
07-20-2021	Land Acquisition
10-13-2021	Negotiations

This *Resolution* to become effective immediately after passage. Minutes of those meetings determined to be made available for public inspection will be released as per the Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2.06(b).

DONE IN OPEN MEETING THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2022

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Kai Swanson  
President, Rock Island County  
Forest Preserve Commission

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Karen Kinney  
Secretary, Rock Island County  
Forest Preserve Commission

Commissioner L. Moreno moved to approve the previous roll call vote.  
Commissioner Boswell-Loffin seconded.

D. Adams, D. Beck, K. Bogdonas, L. Boswell-Loffin, L. Burns, M. Burns, D. Clevenger,  
D. Cremeens, J. Deppe, C. Enburg, E. Langdon, P. McNeil, D. Mielke, L. Moreno,  
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B. Vyncke, J.R. Westpfahl, J. Woods

**TOTAL YES                23**

**TOTAL NO                0**

Motion carried.

9. (\*\* No action was taken on the Dennhardt Land Purchase Agreement.)

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

11. Commissioner Simmer moved to approve all Routine Reports from the Director and  
Departments Heads of the Forest Preserve Commission, as presented.  
Commissioner Vyncke seconded.

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

D. Adams, D. Beck, K. Bogdonas, L. Boswell-Loffin, L. Burns, M. Burns, D. Clevenger,  
D. Cremeens, J. Deppe, C. Enburg, E. Langdon, P. McNeil, D. Mielke, L. Moreno,  
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**TOTAL YES                23**

**TOTAL NO                0**

Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Forest Preserve Commission is Tuesday, February 15, 2022,  
at 5:30pm, immediately following the meeting of the Rock Island County Board.

President Swanson declared the Forest Preserve Meeting recessed.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Kinney", written over a horizontal line.

KAREN KINNEY  
COUNTY CLERK AND SECRETARY  
OF THE FOREST PRESERVE COMMISSION

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