

**FOREST PRESERVE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
JULY 11, 2023**

PRESENT: Committee members –L. Moreno, J. Woods, R. Simmer, D. Mielke, E. Sowards, C. Layer.

ABSENT: K. Swanson.

ALSO PRESENT: Jeff Craver, District Director; Todd Collins, Club House Manager; Jay Verstraete, Golf Course Superintendent; April Palmer, Auditor.

Dr. Moreno called the monthly meeting of the Forest Preserve Executive Committee to order at 3:27 PM on Tuesday, July 13, 2023, in the Club House at Indian Bluff Golf Course, Milan, Illinois.

J. Woods, D. Mielke, R. Simmer, E. Sowards, C. Layer, L. Moreno.

TOTAL PRESENT 6

K. Swanson.

TOTAL ABSENT 1

Dr. Moreno called for a motion approving the June Committee meeting.

MOTION: Ms. Sowards moved to approve the June Committee meeting minutes. Ms. Woods seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Dr. Moreno called for a motion to approve the claims and treasurer's disbursements in the amount of \$1,891,972.53.

MOTION: Dr. Simmer moved to approve the claims and treasurer's disbursements in the amount of \$1,891,972.53. Ms. Woods seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Dr. Moreno called for a motion to approve the transfers of appropriation.

MOTION: Dr. Simmer moved to approve the transfers of appropriation. Mr. Mielke seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Dr. Moreno called for a motion to approve the resolution regarding the fiscal year 2023 Illiniwek Recreation Trail Grant Appropriations.

MOTION: Mr. Mielke moved to approve the resolution regarding the fiscal year 2023 Illiniwek Recreation Trail Grant Appropriations. Ms. Woods seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Dr. Moreno asked if the Committee had any issues with doing the remaining two resolutions as one motion.

The Committee agreed to do the two remaining resolutions as one motion.

Dr. Moreno called for a motion to approve the resolution regarding fiscal year 2023 Niabi Zoo Fund African Painted Dog Grant Appropriations, and the resolution regarding the fiscal year 2023 Niabi Zoo Fund Prairie Dog Grant Appropriations.

MOTION: Mr. Layer called for a motion to approve the resolution regarding fiscal year 2023 Niabi Zoo Fund African Painted Dog Grant Appropriations, and the resolution regarding the fiscal year 2023 Niabi Zoo Fund Prairie Dog Grant Appropriations. Dr. Simmer seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Dr. Moreno asked if there was anyone who wished to make public comment.

There were no requests for public comment.

Dr. Moreno called for a motion to approve the purchase of a prefabricated building for the restrooms at Illiniwek from CXT for \$239,787.80.

Mr. Layer asked if the building would be plumbed to connect to the municipal water and sewer.

Mr. Craver answered that it would.

MOTION: Dr. Simmer moved to approve the purchase of a prefabricated building for the restrooms at Illiniwek from CXT for \$239,787.80. Mr. Mielke seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Dr. Moreno asked Mr. Collins and Mr. Verstraete if there was anything that they wanted to highlight from their reports.

Mr. Collins and Mr. Verstraete both stated that the golf course has been quite busy all season all, and staff is keeping up with the demand.

Dr. Moreno asked Ms. Palmer if there was anything she wanted to bring the Committee's attention to.

Ms. Palmer stated that fiscal year 2023 had officially ended June 30th. There is nothing of particular note, and things have been as expected.

Dr. Moreno asked Mr. Craver if there was anything of particular note that he wanted to bring the Committee's attention to.

Mr. Craver stated that staff is aware of the complaints from some campers regarding the road project that was completed at Illiniwek. Staff are looking into what needs to be done to address those issues, and will take care of them as soon as they are able. Because of the uncertain weather that surrounded the 4th of July, that weekend was a bit slower at the campgrounds this year in comparison with past years. However, there were still quite a few campers enjoying the holiday weekend.

Dr. Moreno called for a motion to approve the routine reports of the District Department heads.

MOTION: Ms. Woods moved to approve the routine reports of the District Department heads. Dr. Simmer seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Dr. Moreno called the meeting adjourned at 3:49 PM.

Submitted by:
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