



**I. Roll Call:**

**II. Presentation:** Dr. Gerry Zuercher, Dubuque University

**III. Old Business:** Commission minutes March 19, 2026\*\*

**IV. Public comment:**

**V. President's Comments**

**VI. Claims:\*\***

Forest Preserve General Fund claims @ \$73,809.29  
Forest Preserve Liability Fund claims @ \$703.00  
Treasurer's Disbursements @ \$12,355.38

Niabi Zoo Fund claims @ \$136,563.35  
Improvement Fund claims @ \$30,141.42

Claims and Treasurer's Disbursements totaling \$253,653.44

**VII. Transfers**

Consider transfers of appropriations\*\*

**VIII. Resolutions**

Consider a Resolution in the Improvement Fund pertaining to the Electric Vehicle Charging Station project\*\*

Consider a Resolution in the Niabi Zoo Fund pertaining to Conservation in Action Exhibit project\*\*

**IX. Ordinance**

Consider an Ordinance establishing the compensation of members and officers of the Rock Island County Forest Preserve Commission\*\*

**X. Other New Business:**

Consider purchase of three vehicles from Morrow Brothers Ford in the amount of \$162,079.00\*\*

Closed Session – Discussion of land acquisition [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5)-Discussion of the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired.]

**XI. Comments from Commissioners**

**XII. Reports:** Approval of all routine reports:

District Budget Performance Report\*\*

April Palmer – Auditor's Reports\*\*

Mike Petersen - Illiniwek report\*\*

Lee Jackson – Niabi Zoo report\*\*

Nick Camlin – Treasurer's Report\*\*

Todd Collins & Jay Verstraete – Indian Bluff report \*\*

Ben Mills – Loud Thunder report\*\*

Jeff Craver – Director's report\*\*

**XIV. The Forest Preserve Executive Committee may enter a Closed Session for the following:**

5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) – 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.

5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2) – Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11)-Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

**Recess**

The next meeting of the Forest Preserve Commission will be held at the Rock Island County Building, 1504 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave, Rock Island, Illinois 61201 on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM following the meeting of the Rock Island County Board.

\*The Forest Preserve Commission will begin immediately following the meeting of the Rock Island County Board

\*\*Items in Commissioners packets can be viewed online at the District's website [www.ricfpd.org](http://www.ricfpd.org)

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