Lake County Forest Preserves Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, March 4, 2024

On Monday, March 4, 2024, the District's Legislative Committee met at the District's General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois.

- 1. Call to Order With a quorum present, Chair Hart called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.
- 2. Roll Call Assistant Committee Secretary Carlucci called the roll and three committee members responded: Chair Sandy Hart, Vice Chair Gina Roberts, and Member Linda Pedersen. Member Diane Hewitt arrived after roll call at 11:03 a.m. Absent: Member Paras Parekh.

Also Present:

Angelo Kyle, President

Mary Kann

Matt Norton, Corporate Counsel

Paul Frank, Commissioner

Steve Neaman

Derek Blaida, Legislative Consultant

Alex Ty Kovach

Pati Vitt

JoEllen Carlucci

Rebekah Snyder

Kevin Kleinjan

Sandy Meyers

John Nelson

Kim Mikus

Ron Davis

Lisa Roberts (Zoom)

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance President Kyle led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. Addenda to the Agenda None
- 5. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Vice Chair Roberts, second by Member Pedersen to approve the minutes from July 25, 2023. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously. The minutes were circulated for signatures.
- 6. Public Comment None
- 7. Correspondence None
- 8. Unfinished Business None
- 9. New Business
 - **9.1 Review of State Legislation** During review and discussion, the Committee made the following changes to positions:

HB3968 – Following questions and discussion, it was noted that this is an item to Support.

HB4162 – Following questions and discussion, it was noted that this is an item to Watch.

HB4489 – Following questions and discussion, changed from Watch to Support.

HB5026 - Following questions and discussion, changed from Oppose to Watch.

SB3743 - Following questions and discussion, changed from Watch to Support.

Chair Hart left the room at 11:59 a.m. and returned at 12:01 p.m. she asked Vice Chair Roberts to step in if needed. A quorum was not lost.

- **9.2 For Information Only Definition of Responsible Bidder:** Rebekah Snyder provided information that the staff is currently pursuing an amendment to the purchasing policy and intends to recommend that the legislative platform for 2025 include an initiative to amend the Downstate Forest Preserve Act to add a definition of responsible bidder.
- **9.3 State Legislative Update** Legislative consultant Derek Blaida provided an update on the State budget hearings and the current legislative session.

- 10. Miscellaneous Business None
- 11. Closed Session None
- 12. Potential Action Following Closed Session None
- 13. Adjournment With no further business, Chair Hart declared the meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

APPROVED:	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nav</u>	*	Yea	Nay
Sandy Hart, Chair	×		Paras Parekh		
Ava Roberts, Vice Chair	×	6	Linda Pedersen		
Diane Hewitt					