

**MINUTES OF THE FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021 VIA VIDEO STREAM**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

PRESENT: Co-Chairs Dr. Donna Hoffmeister, Mr. Damien Ossi, and members Dr. John Paul Schmit, Dr. Owen Kelley, Ms. Susan Gregersen, Dr. Bryan Bruns, Ms. Jessica Stewart, and Ms. Mary Ann Canter, remotely via video stream.

ALSO PRESENT: Staff liaison Horticultural Supervisor Mr. Jason Martin and Ms. Stephanie Warner.

OPENING ROUND: Co-Chair Dr. Donna Hoffmeister invited all present to check in and update the group with any items of interest.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Meeting minutes of January 28, 2021 were approved with changes.

MAGLEV UPDATES: Updates on the MagLev were shared.

PILOT TRAILS MAINTENANCE: Dr. Bryan Bruns shared ideas on trail maintenance that could be performed prior to the finalized Trails Master Plan as part of a pilot project to test various trail maintenance activities. Board members shared their thoughts and concerns about the proposed activities. A report with agreed trail maintenance activities will be made and sent to Council for approval as part of the pilot project.

COUNCIL WORKSESSION: The logistics of the Council worksession on March 1, 2021 were discussed. Dr. John Paul Schmit agreed to present along with a member of the Garden Club the garden forest preserve boundary document at the worksession.

TRAIL TEAM ASSIGNMENTS: Board members were assigned trails in the North Woods to walk and document any issues.

TRAIL PLAN: The Trails Plan was discussed further and will continue to be discussed at future meetings.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2021 at 7:00 pm via video stream.

CLOSING REMARKS: The Board shared final remarks.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Jason Martin, Horticulture Supervisor

These minutes were approved by consent.