MINUTES OF THE FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023 VIA VIDEO STREAM

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

PRESENT: Co-Chairs Mr. Damien Ossi and Dr. Donna Hoffmeister, and members Dr. John Paul Schmit, Dr. Bryan Bruns, and Ms. Beth Novick remotely via video stream.

ALSO PRESENT: Resident Thomas Doggett

OPENING ROUND: Co-Chairs Mr. Damien Ossi and 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 with additions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Meeting minutes of February 23, 2023 were approved.

MAGLEV UPDATES: The Board provided updates on the maglev.

ILLICIT TRAIL MAINTENANCE: The Board reviewed reported incidents of chainsaw usage and cycling in the North Woods. The chairs described their formal request to code enforcement regarding the activities. No updates on contact with potential violators was reported.

SPRING CLEAN-UP – GREENBRIAR: The Board discussed a Greenbriar clean-up volunteer event day for the spring. Potential dates will be organized with City staff.

RAILTIE BRIDGE IN HAMILTON WOODS: Discussion on current state of the bridge and potential options to replace or move it. Decision deferred until April meeting.

MASTER TRAIL PLAN OVERVIEW: Discussed and made changes to the Trail Plan after a short overview of the entire plan. Items of discussion included designating official trails versus informal trails, which trails will be maintained, and how to discourage the creation of new social/informal trails.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting was scheduled for April 27rd, 2023 at 7:00 pm in person at the Public Works building.

ADJOURNED: 9:05 pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Kevin Driscoll, Environmental Coordinator

These minutes were