



**Forest Preserve District of Cook County
Board of Commissioners**

Minutes of the Litigation Committee

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

11:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Present: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Britton (1) (Excused)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman Silvestri asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Forest Preserves Code of Ordinances, Section 1-5-4.

No public speakers

[21-0446](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 07/27/2021

A motion was made by Vice Chair Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 21-0446. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Britton (1)

[21-0444](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

INVOICES RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

1. Invoices submitted for legal services 06/29/2021 through 07/31/2021 by Law Offices of Ancel, Glink,

Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafthefer, PC for various matters.

2. Invoices submitted for legal services 07/01/2021 through 08/31/2021 by Brothers & Thompson, PC for various labor related matters.
3. Invoices submitted for legal services 07/01/2021 through 07/31/2021 by DeVore Radunsky Miller Berger, LLC for various litigated matters.
4. Invoices submitted for legal services 07/01/2021 through 07/31/2021 by Gildea, Coghlan & Regan, Ltd. for various litigated matters.
5. Invoices submitted for legal services 07/01/2021 through 08/30/2021 by Henderson Parks for Horizon Farms post-acquisition issues.
6. Invoices submitted for legal services 06/01/2021 through 06/30/2021 by Jackson Lewis for labor related matters.
7. Invoices submitted for legal services 06/01/2021 through 07/31/2021 by Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd. for real estate related matters.
8. Invoices submitted for legal services 06/01/2021 through 07/31/2021 by Neal & Leroy for various real estate related matters.
9. Invoices submitted for legal services 06/01/2021 through 07/31/2021 by Odelson, Sterk, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, Ltd. for a litigated matter.
10. Invoices submitted for legal services 06/01/2021 through 07/31/2021 by Robbins Schwartz for various matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Vice Chair Lowry, to concur with the recommendation of the Forest Preserve District attorneys on the legal matter(s) listed above 21-0444. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Britton (1)

A motion was made to move into executive session

A motion was made by Commissioner Larry Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Bridget Degnen, that this was convene executive session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)

Absent: Britton (1)

[21-0445](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

CASES - INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

1. *Forest Preserve District of Cook County v. International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 700*, 2019 CH 08207; and *International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local Union No. 700 v. Forest Preserve District of Cook County*, 2019 CH 09679
2. *Simon Solomon v. the Cook Co. Board of Commissioners, et al.*, NDIL Case No. 17 cv 06144

A motion was made to move back into regular session

A motion was made by Commissioner Sean M. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Larry Suffredin, to reconvene regular session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)
Absent: Britton (1)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bill Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Bridget Degnen, to adjourn this meeting adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (6)
Absent: Britton (1)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman

Lynne M. Turner

Interim- Secretary

A complete record of this meeting is available at <https://fpdcc.legistar.com>.