

# Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

# **Minutes of the Litigation Committee**

#### 9:00 AM

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

## **ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Morita, to allow for remote participation in meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

## **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Chairman Britton 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

### 23-0250

# **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 02/07/2023

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Morita, to approve 23-0250. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to convene executive session. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Morita, to reconvene regular session. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

23-0253

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

### INVOICES RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

- 1. Invoices submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Ancel Glink, P.C. for various litigated matters.
- 2. Invoice submitted for legal services 09/01/2021 through 11/30/2022 by the Cook County State's Attorney Office for various real estate and ordinance enforcement matters.
- 3. Invoices submitted for legal services 12/01/2022 through 12/31/2022 by Franczek, P.C. for litigated matters.
- 4. Invoices submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Gildea, Coghlan & Regan, Ltd. for various litigated matters.
- 5. Invoices submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Henderson Parks for Horizon Farms post-acquisition issues.
- 6. Invoices submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Jackson Lewis, PC for various labor related matters.
- 7. Invoices submitted for legal services 12/01/2022 through 12/31/2022 by Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd. for a real estate related matter and litigated matter.
- 8. Invoices submitted for legal services 12/21/2022 through 01/20/2023 by Laner Muchin for a litigated matter and a labor related matter.
- 9. Invoice submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC for a labor related matter.
- 10. Invoice submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Neal & Leroy, LLC for a real estate related matter.
- 11. Invoices submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Odelson, Sterk, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, Ltd. for various litigated matters.

12. Invoices submitted for legal services 01/01/2023 through 01/31/2023 by Robbins Schwartz for a real estate related matter and a labor related matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to concur with the recommendation of the Forest Preserve District attorneys on the legal matter(s) listed above 23-0253. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

#### 23-0254

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

#### CASES - INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

- 1. Forest Preserve District of Cook County v. Chicago Title Land Trust Company, an Illinois corporation, as successor trustee of America Trust Company as Trustee under Trust Agreement Dated December 18, 1992 and known as Trust 36-4033; Allen Hoger; et al 16 L 50357
- 2. Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois v. Royalty Properties, LLC, Cannon Squires Properties, LLC, Richard Kirk Cannon, Meryl Squires Cannon, Royalty Farms LLC, McGinley Partners, LLC, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants 18 L 315.

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to receive and filed 23-0254. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, S. Morrison and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry and Johnson (2)

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman

Secretary

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