



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

Minutes of the Litigation Committee

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

11:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Present: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

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

[21-0509](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 10/05/2021

A motion was made by Vice Chair Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve 21-0509. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0505](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

INVOICES RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

1. Invoice submitted for legal services 09/01/2021 through 09/30/2021 by Law Offices of Ancel, Glink, Diamond, Bush, DiCianni & Krafthefer, PC for a litigated matter.

2. Invoices submitted for legal services 09/23/2021 through 10/18/2021 by Brothers & Thompson, PC for various labor related matters.
3. Invoices submitted for legal services 09/01/2021 through 09/30/2021 by DeVore Radunsky Miller Berger, LLC for various litigated matters.
4. Invoices submitted for legal services 09/01/2021 through 09/30/2021 by Gildea, Coghlan & Regan, Ltd. for various litigated matters.
5. Invoice submitted for legal services 09/01/2021 through 09/30/2021 by Henderson Parks for Horizon Farms post-acquisition issues.
6. Invoice submitted for legal services 07/01/2021 through 08/31/2021 by Jackson Lewis for a labor related matter.
7. Invoices submitted for legal services 08/01/2021 through 08/31/2021 by Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd. for real estate related matters.
8. Invoice submitted for legal services 07/01/2021 through 07/31/2021 by Odelson, Sterk, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, Ltd. for a litigated matter.
9. Invoices submitted for legal services 08/01/2021 through 08/31/2021 by Robbins Schwartz for various matters.
10. Invoices submitted for legal services 09/01/2021 through 09/30/2021 by Tristan & Cervantes for various matter.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to concur with the recommendation of the Forest Preserve District attorneys on the legal matter(s) listed above 21-0505. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

A motion was made to move into executive session

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bill Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Brandon Johnson, to convene executive session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0506](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

CASES - INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

1. *Juan Jimenez v. Forest Preserve District of Cook County* - 2018 L 013072 (Cook County)

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to receive and filed 21-0506. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

[21-0507](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

CASE SETTLEMENTS

1. *Gregory Head v. Forest Preserve District of Cook County* - 19 M1 301253 (Cook County)

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to concur with the recommendation of the Forest Preserve District attorneys on the legal matter(s) listed above 21-0507. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

A motion was made to move back into open session

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bill Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Larry Suffredin, to reconvene regular session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bill Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Sean M. Morrison, this meeting adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Lowry, Britton, Degnen, Johnson, Morrison and Suffredin (7)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman

Lynne Turner

Interim-Secretary

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