

Forest Preserves of Winnebago County
BOARD MEETING
Forest Preserve Headquarters
April 21, 2021

PRESENT

Judy Barnard
Mike Eickman
Jake Henry
Audrey Johnson
Gloria Lind
Cheryl Maggio
Jeff Tilly

STAFF

Mike Holan, Executive Director

CLOSED SESSION

Audrey Johnson made a motion to go into closed session at 6:17 p.m.

Land Acquisition – Mike Holan addressed the Board regarding an update with the Mitchell property adjacent to Ferguson Forest Preserve. He addressed the many possible issues with the house, in reference to the septic, radon, benzene and lead based paint. Mike handed out a map of the new parcels, which shows some encroachment issues with buildings on the other properties. If the house is sold, just over an acre would be sold with the house. Mike's understanding is the seller does not want to divide out the property and it will be sold As-is. The owner is now allowing for inspections to be done on the house. The Board is concerned that Shirland has their own zoning requirements. Mike will check with the township on the zoning requirements. The Board has agreed to sell the house and 1 acre for \$40,000 and go down to \$25,000 as a minimum. The Board will lay over the Ordinance until next month's Board Meeting.

At 7:43 p.m. the meeting returned to open session. No action was taken while in closed session.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristy Knapp
Recording Secretary