

Forest Preserves of Winnebago County

BOARD MEETING

Paula Swanson Forest Preserve

July 23, 2026

PRESENT

Judy Barnard
Mike Eickman
Gloria Lind - Absent
Cheryl Maggio - Absent
Jerry Paulson
Emily Porter - Absent
Jeff Tilly

STAFF

Daniel Olson, Executive Director
Vaughn Stamm, Director of Operations
Kristy Knapp, Administrative Services Manager
Mike Brien, Director of Natural Resources
Jody Kennay, Human Resources Manager
Sarah Lorenz – Communications Coordinator
Emily Wendlandt, Board Recording Secretary
North Area Operations Staff – Matt Weik, Nick Eskilson,
Kayla Lindquist, Nate Hallgren, Del Johnson
Natural Resources Staff – Mike Groves, Keith Krey
South Area Staff - Scott Wallace
Alana Stratton – Administrative Assistant II

GUESTS

Approximately 40 guests were in attendance

The meeting began at 3:35 pm by Executive Director Olson and was for the dedication of the Paula Swanson Forest Preserve. No actions were discussed. No actions were taken.

Director Olson welcomed everyone and did introductions of key staff and guests. Jeff Tilly spoke about the preserve and Paula Swanson.

A mock-up of the sign was revealed by Dylan Swanson and members of the Forest Preserve Board of Commissioners.

Trail tours were given by Mike Brien and Dan Olson.

The tours concluded approximately 4:30 pm.