



1996 S. Kirk Rd. Suite 320  
Geneva, IL 60134

## Forest Preserve District Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

President Christopher Kious, President Pro Tem Mavis Bates, Secretary Myrna Molina, Dale Berman, Michael Kenyon, Anita Lewis, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**Thursday, September 5, 2024 8:30 AM 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Room**

### I. Call To Order

The Forest Preserve District Executive Committee meeting was held Thursday, September 5, 2024. President Kious called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM at the Administration Offices located at 1996 S. Kirk Road, Suite 320, Geneva, IL 60134.

**PRESENT** President Forest Preserve District Chris Kious  
Secretary Forest Preserve District Myrna Molina  
Commissioner Dale Berman (in person at 8:35AM)  
Commissioner Anita Lewis  
Commissioner Mavis Bates  
Commissioner Michael Kenyon  
Commissioner Cherryl Strathmann  
Commissioner Vern Tepe  
Commissioner Jarett Sanchez

**ABSENT:** *None.*

**Also Present:** Commissioners Allan (Remote), Roth; Exec. Dir. Haberthur; Chief of Planning & Land Mgmt. Rooks-Lopez; CFO Petschke & staff Carrano, Marano; Dir. of Comm. Affairs Metanchuk; HR Dir. Clough; NRM Dir. Chess; Dir. of Ops. Jensen; Chief of Police & Dir. of Public Safety Burger; Exec. Assist. Figliozzi & staff Rafferty; Attorney Hodge and members of the public.

### II. Approval of Minutes from August 8, 2024

**RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

**MOVER:** Cherryl Strathmann

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**ABSENT:** Dale Berman

### III. Public Comment (Each Speaker is limited to three minutes)

*None.*

### IV. Presentation and Approval of Bills and Commissioners' Per Diem from August 2024.

**RESULT: MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

**TO:** Forest Preserve District Commission

**MOVER:** Michael Kenyon

**SECONDER:** Mavis Bates

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**ABSENT:** Dale Berman

## V. Presentations

### City of St. Charles TIF

*Exec. Dir. Haberthur introduced the members present from the City of St. Charles. Bill Hannah, city of St. Charles Director of Finance, Derek Connelly Planning Director and Heather McGuire, Village Administrator. Hannah provided a PowerPoint presentation for the request to extend the expiring Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District #4, First Street, in downtown St. Charles. (Commissioner Berman arrived in person at 8:35AM) Hannah provided background information of the TIF highlighting the reasons for the extension, the great recession of 2008 and the COVID pandemic. Hannah explained that the refinancing of the District #4 TIF was not sufficient to meet the repayment obligations by 2025. The request to extend the TIF from 2025 to 2037 requires formal letters of support from all the affected taxing districts through state legislation. City Administration McGuire thanked the District and all of the taxing bodies for their support. She stated that the extension is needed primarily due to lack of funds for bond payments. She noted, without the extension, the impact to the residents would be a lack of services and cuts would be issued in order to make up the debt obligation.*

**DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Tepe asked what the detailed plans were for the area.*

*McGuire responded that the infrastructure has been underway, including additional parking and the completion of the plaza. Commissioner Tepe asked if the economic downturn from the recession was the main cause. McGuire responded that yes, the EAV did not continue to increase with the expected rate to pay down the bonds during the recession, while some projects were not completed due to funds being allocated to bond payments.*

*Commissioner Lewis thanked the city for judiciously caring for the allocations of funds and the development and revitalization of the city. She noted that supporting the TIF district is important to complete what was started in order to generate revenue for the residents.*

*Commissioner Bates requested clarification. McGuire explained that the extension would require all the taxing bodies to distribute their increments. The Forest Preserve's portion would be under \$9,000 per year for 12 years. Commissioner Kenyon stated that he felt this TIF was supported for 23 years and was not in favor to allocate any more funds.*

*Commissioner Molina asked what the reasons were for denying the request at the Finance and Administration committee. Exec. Dir. Haberthur responded that Commissioners were not in favor of spending an additional \$9,000 per year. In addition, the District's legal counsel was under the impression that the TIF would move forward to state legislation regardless of the support from the District due to home rule. President Kious noted that it was mainly a protest vote.*

*Commissioner Molina stated that the success of St. Charles is the success of the County. As a Commissioner, she noted that the Forest Preserve needs to be good partners and neighbors, she was in favor to support the extension. Commissioner Sanchez echoed Commissioner Molina, stating that he was not in favor of TIF districts, however in this case due to circumstances out of the City's control, he felt the Forest Preserve needs to be good neighbors and support the City. Commissioner Strathmann asked what the repercussions would be if the support failed. McGuire stated that the legislation requires support from every single taxing body. If there is a lack of support from one, the extension request would be terminated. The consequence would then mean that the TIF expires in 2025 and the city would need to repay the bonds through the general fund. McGuire stated that the amount is significant and would create a need to cut services to make up the bond payments.*

*Commissioner Williams stated that the expiration of the TIF reallocates the funds to the levy. He asked if the information that was presented today was given at the Finance and Administration Committee. President Kious explained that the way it was presented, the*

*vote outcome would be inconsequential, however that was not the case therefore it was determined that the city would present the information in detail at the Executive Committee.*

*Commissioner Roth stated that the information was not fully presented at Finance and Administration noting that COVID was the primary reason for the extension, not necessarily the recession. Commissioner Roth stated that the recession caused a stall in development, noting this was a big deal, due to the large apartment buildings that had been delayed in construction from 2009 and would have provided a significant amount of revenue. Commissioner Bates asked about the other affected districts. McGuire responded that so far there is support from the other districts, the school district would likely be moving forward this coming Monday.*

*Commissioner Molina asked what the parliamentary procedure was due to the fact that the request was voted down at the Finance and Administration Committee. Attorney Hodge stated that the President has the authority to add any matter to the agenda. Attorney Hodge stated that he would take the blame for the Finance and Administration committee considering that he was under the assumption that because the city is governed by Home Rule, he thought that the city had the authority to move forward and were merely being kind in requesting support. However, according to the civil attorney at the city of St. Charles, the city needs unanimous consent for the extension to pass. The state legislator is ready to push this forward. Attorney Hodge noted that he is not a municipal taxing expert, therefore he thought it was under home rule originally.*

*President Kious gained majority consensus, the item would be added to the Full Commission agenda for consideration and vote.*

## **VI. Finance and Administration**

### **TMP-24-2786 Resolution Approving the Final Payoff of the Vehicle Lease Contracts with Enterprise Entities (ETM) and Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc (EFM)**

*Finance Dir. Petschke presented the final payoff request. The Commission had previously approved a lease agreement of nine (9) F-150 pickups on July 13th, 2021. The lease agreement appeared to be a fiscally responsible program that would allow the District to purchase vehicles with a government incentive discount between \$1,000 to \$2,000 per vehicle and it would also allow the District to replace vehicles at a minimal cost more frequently which would have minimized the mechanical issues of the current fleet that had a useful life of 10 years at the time. The District staff has carefully evaluated the fleet management program since that time and due to changes in the program it does not appear fiscally responsible to continue with Enterprise Fleet Management for several reasons:*

*The government incentive is no longer offered by Enterprise Fleet Management. Enterprise claimed their high purchasing power could guarantee replacement vehicles, but they could not source new or replacement lease vehicles since 2021. This has caused a severe interruption to the vehicle replacement schedules and forced the District to seek other options to procure vehicles through purchasing Co-Ops.*

*Lack of communication on vehicle order status and sudden cancellation of orders by Enterprise Fleet Management. High interest rates charged to the District for leased vehicles. Currently the lease rates are between 5.23%-5.64% for the vehicles in the program, but recently cancelled orders in the first quarter of 2024 for police F-150 interceptors had an estimated interest rate estimated at 6.78%.*

Additional management fee Charged by Enterprise of \$25.10-\$31.31 per month on each leased vehicle. Continued accounting errors and transparency issues with Enterprise Fleet Managements Finance Department. The Commission approved a budgeted amount of \$200,000 in the fiscal year 2025 between North Operations, South Operations and the Natural Resources departments to pay off the existing residual book value for the leased vehicles and to take title and ownership of the vehicles. Staff recommends that the Committee approve the final payoff in the amount not to exceed \$169,080.61 for the nine (9) vehicles currently in the Enterprise Lease Program.

**DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Strathmann asked if the program had worked for the District at all. Finance Dir. Petschke explained that the program worked for the Transportation Department at county (KDOT), however when the District started the program COVID hit and disrupted the program. The District was unable to realize a substantial benefit.*

**RESULT:** **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

**TO:** Forest Preserve District Commission

**MOVER:** Cheryl Strathmann

**SECONDER:** Myrna Molina

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**TMP-24-2805** Resolution Approving the Forest Preserve District's Holiday Schedule for 2025

*HR Dir. Clough presented the District's annual holiday schedule. Currently, the Forest Preserve offers employees eleven (11) paid holidays. The Board approves these by resolution on an annual basis, and they are further codified in the Employee Handbook.*

When the final report of the District's recently completed Compensation and Classification Report was adopted, staff committed to reviewing the supplemental benefits analysis and bringing recommendations to the Board for consideration and approval. McGrath Human Resources Group provided data from comparable organizations reporting holiday schedules between 11 and 17 days. This information confirms that the District is on the lowest end of this benefit range and that it is less competitive when recruiting and retaining talent as a result. The District's total compensation package, which is inclusive of its paid time off benefits, is critical to supporting these efforts.

One of the reasons the District lags its comparable organizations in holiday benefits offered is that, in 2015, the District chose to concede a portion of its recognized holidays to, instead, offer the equivalent personal time to employees. On January 1, 2024, the Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act required employers to provide for up to forty (40) hours, or 5 days, of leave from work each year. While other public organizations have created additional paid time off banks to satisfy this new legislation, the District repurposed its personal time to comply. This decision further underscores the District's less competitive time-off package at a time when employees are seeking career opportunities that offer the most work/life balance.

Presently, the Kane County Board of Commissioners adopts a holiday schedule for County employees that aligns with the Supreme Court of Illinois' State Court Holiday Calendar. In comparison, this schedule provides for fifteen (15) paid holidays and represents one of the District's competitors for public employees. For the benefits of providing Forest Preserve staff with holidays recognized by the state of Illinois, consistency with an organization served by the same board of commissioners, and a more competitive advantage for recruitment and retention purposes, the committee might consider the addition of the following holidays not currently recognized by the Forest Preserve District: Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Spring Holiday, and

Columbus Day. A draft of the holiday schedule with these additions is included for reference.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**RESULT:** **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**TO:** Forest Preserve District Commission  
**MOVER:** Anita Lewis  
**SECONDER:** Dale Berman  
**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**TMP-24-2801** Resolution Authorizing the Third Amendment to the License Agreement with the Striker's Fox Valley Soccer Club for the Use of the District's Building on Kirk Road in Geneva, Illinois

*Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the 3<sup>rd</sup> amendment to the Striker's license agreement.* The Strikers organization has operated an indoor soccer facility at 1000 S. Kirk Road in Geneva under a license agreement with the District since September of 2004. The Strikers provide soccer training and club competition for age levels U8 – U23. The Third Amendment to the License Agreement provides for the following:

- A 10-year term that will expire August 31, 2034
- The Strikers organization is responsible for the management and expense of the operation of the soccer program and building maintenance and surrounding property.
- An updated capital project schedule detailing specific project improvements that Strikers will complete during the new term. (In progress)

Over the term of the license, the District will receive license fees totaling \$80,000 each of the years from 2024 – 2028 and \$85,000 each of the years from 2029 – 2033. There is no expense to the District. The Strikers are responsible for all operating and maintenance costs associated with the building and grounds within the licensed area. Revenues from this License Agreement go to the Construction Development Fund.

**DISCUSSION:** None.

**RESULT:** **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**TO:** Forest Preserve District Commission  
**MOVER:** Jarett Sanchez  
**SECONDER:** Dale Berman  
**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cheryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**TMP-24-2817** Resolution Authorizing a 1-Year Extension to the Historical Structures Operating and Caretaking Agreement with the Preservation Partners of Fox Valley

*Dir of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the extension agreement with Preservation Partners.* Preservation Partners has been managing the Fabyan Villa Museum at Fabyan Forest Preserve, and the Durant-Peterson House at LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve since the mid 1990's. On October 25, 2017, the Pioneer Sholes Restoration Society was dissolved, and the operations, income and artifacts transferred to Preservation Partners. The Historic Structures Operating and Caretaking Agreement with Preservation Partners expires on August 31, 2024. A 1-year extension is proposed for the current agreement in order to revisit future management of the Fabyan Windmill.

Preservation Partners provides exclusive exhibits management, staffing, tours, program coordination and marketing for the Fabyan Villa, the Durant-Peterson House, and Sholes

School. Additionally, Preservation Partners coordinates programming and tours of the Fabyan Japanese Garden. The District owns all of the land and structures and is responsible for the expense and coordination of maintenance/repairs and utilities for the buildings as well as grounds/landscape maintenance.

The new contract will increase payments to Preservation Partners from a previous annual amount of \$95,000 to a new annual sum of \$115,000 for their services with \$78,000 allocated to the operation of the Fabyan Villa plus an additional \$10,000 for the Japanese Garden and \$27,000 allocated for the operation of the Durant-Peterson House and the Sholes School. The agreement term is 1 year through August 31, 2025. The District's legal counsel and risk management provider (PDRMA) have reviewed the agreement.

**DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Tepe recalled a discussion of the pond at Fabyan and the need for attention to the lining. Dir. Rooks-Lopez responded that this has been reviewed by the Operations department and the expense will be evaluated in the next budget cycle permitting available funds. Commissioner Roth asked about the revenue generated. Dir. Rooks-Lopez responded that Preservation Partners (PPFV) utilizes the revenue to run the operations. Commissioner Lewis asked about the Japanese Gardens and rental income. Exec. Dir. Haberthur responded that if PPFV would take over the Garden tours, they would also receive the rental income.*

**RESULT:                    MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

**TO:**                         Forest Preserve District Commission

**MOVER:**                   Dale Berman

**SECONDER:**             Mavis Bates

**AYE:**                      Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna  
Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

## VII. Planning & Utilization

### **TMP-24-2804 Resolution Authorizing a Bid For Native Seed Purchase to Restore Lands at Various Preserves**

*NRM Dir. Chess presented the bid to purchase of native seed to restore agricultural land into native prairie.* Native plants are the basis of all native ecosystems, and therefore are the basis of our work in the Natural Resource Management department. Our native insects coevolved with these plants, and cannot survive on imported plants. In turn, all of our fauna that prey upon our native insects cannot do so if those insects are not present due, to non-native or low-diversity plants occupying the space of our native plants. This year's seed bid represents a project-driven approach to determining seed needs. This is the third-year mixes were bid by option with seeds bagged by species. This approach both maximizes value and ensures quality of the delivered product. All of the seed specified in our bid is slated to go onto the ground this winter, to support ongoing restoration projects. The bid was publicly advertised with five (5) vendors responding. The bid was advertised with the following three projects:

Project 1 – Mill Creek Greenway and Binnie Forest Preserves: 160 species to be sown across an approximately 66-acre field at Mill Creek Greenway and an approximately 39-acre field at Binnie. The restoration at Mill Creek Greenway is a new agricultural to tallgrass prairie restoration located in the center of the preserve. The restoration at Binnie Forest Preserve is a new agricultural to prairie and restoration that continues the planting of the northern section of the preserve. These restorations will also be supplemented with staff and volunteer harvested seed.

Project 2 – Johnson's Mound Forest Preserve: 99 species to be sown across an approximately 23-acre field. This planting is an agricultural to tallgrass

prairie conversion that will tie in to the Centennial Grove project, allowing the newly planted grove of trees to be surrounded by a native landscape. Project 3 – Mill Creek Greenway Forest Preserve: 114 species to be sown across an approximately 60-acre project area. This restoration is a tallgrass prairie restoration from agriculture present at the preserve. This restoration is done in conjunction with the District's 2023 OSLAND grant and will surround the new archery range and preserve entrance.

The qualified lowest bid for each species was tabulated, with awards for each project going to all five vendors.

The qualified lowest bids are as follows:

Project 1 – Shooting Star Nursery – 92 species: Bid of \$51,572.90

Genesis Nursery – 37 species: Bid of \$14,404.26

Agrecol – 10 species: Bid of \$11,344.22

RES Great Lakes – 17 species: Bid of \$5,937.70

Millborn Seeds – 4 species: Bid of \$1,371.50

Total: 160 species - \$84,630.58

Project 2 – Shooting Star Nursery – 39 species: Bid of \$21,926.89

Genesis Nursery – 30 species: Bid of \$7,391.88

Agrecol – 11 species: Bid of \$5,763.00

RES Great Lakes – 8 species: Bid of \$1,169.20

Millborn Seeds – 11 species: Bid of \$2,691.00

Total: 99 species - \$38,941.97

Project 3 – Shooting Star Nursery – 53 species: Bid of \$49,668.89

Genesis Nursery – 27 species: Bid of \$23,490.36

Agrecol – 13 species: Bid of \$25,052.00

RES Great Lakes – 8 species: Bid of \$6,867.20

Millborn Seeds – 13 species: Bid of \$8,923.50

Total: 114 species - \$114,001.95

**DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Tepe asked if the District utilizes this concept each year. Dir. Chess stated that yes, the District is constantly restoring and maintaining agricultural land. He noted that the District supplements the seed that is harvested throughout each year to save on costs. Commissioner Sanchez asked about the different revenue sources. Dir. Chess explained that some revenue was allocated to different projects and some were grant funded. Commissioner Roth asked about seed storage and shelf life. Cir. Chess explained the differences between the seed species and the storage requirements.*

**RESULT:** **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

**TO:** Forest Preserve District Commission

**MOVER:** Cherryl Strathmann

**SECONDER:** Jarett Sanchez

**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**TMP-24-2796** Resolution Authorizing A Maintenance Agreement With The Geneva Grotto Organization To Maintain The Grotto At The Gunnar Anderson Forest Preserve

*Dir. Rooks-Lopez presented the renewal agreement with the Grotto Organization, previously known as the Knights of Columbus. The local Knights of Columbus approached the Forest Preserve District of Kane County (District) in 2019, and offered to maintain and restore the Grotto structure at Gunnar Anderson Forest Preserve. The grotto is a historic structure remaining from the Sacred Heart seminary, which was*

purchased by the District and County in 1972. The Grotto is located within Gunnar Anderson Forest Preserve. While the District maintains the Preserve, it does not maintain the grotto structure. On October 13, 2020, an agreement was approved between the Knights of Columbus and the Forest Preserve District, permitting the Knights of Columbus to maintain, manage and restore the Grotto and the 30-foot area surrounding the structure. Since that time, the Knights of Columbus have created a 501c3 organization, 'The Geneva Grotto Organization', specifically for the management and restoration of the Grotto. The general terms of the agreement are as follows:

- Term is for three (3) years from the date of approval.
- Area of maintenance will be the grotto structure and 30 feet around the structure.
- Geneva Grotto Association will maintain the structure to include trash removal, graffiti removal and general repair/restoration of the structure.
- Geneva Grotto Association will be responsible, at its sole expense, for the planning, designing, permitting, constructing and maintaining of any improvements to the grotto structure or site.
- Geneva Grotto Association will coordinate any volunteer workdays through the District's volunteer coordinator.
- Geneva Grotto Association will coordinate any natural areas work plans through the District's Natural Resource Management department.
- Geneva Grotto Association will provide general liability insurance and hold the District harmless. Additionally, any contractors working on the site must provide a certificate of insurance naming the District as additional insured.

**DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Lewis commented that she admired the renovation of the Grotto. She asked about the stairs that were installed, and if that was done by the Knights of Columbus. Dir. Rooks-Lopez responded that yes, those stairs were installed without District staff approval, the stairs will be addressed, however the District is currently working with the County on a restoration project of the creek, which affects the final placement of the stairs if applicable.*

**RESULT:**           **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**TO:**                 Forest Preserve District Commission  
**MOVER:**            Jarett Sanchez  
**SECONDER:**       Anita Lewis  
**AYE:**               Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna  
                          Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**TMP-24-2806** Resolution Authorizing the District to Apply for an Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Grant for the Redevelopment of Glenwood Forest Preserve

*Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the proposed improvements at Glenwood Park Forest Preserve. Glenwood Forest Preserve is located in Batavia along the eastern edge of the Fox River and adjacent to the Fox River and Prairie Path Trails. A smaller preserve, Glenwood is situated between the City of Batavia and Fox Valley Park District's Lippold Park, which has been awarded a grant to construct a multi-use bridge over the Fox River between Les Arends and Lippold Park. In addition to replacing the existing shelter and restroom, the current parking lot and trail crossing needs to be realigned for improved visibility between trail users and parking lot access. Additional amenities will include a canoe/kayak launch as well as ADA fishing stations and trail access along the edge of the Fox River. This project was identified in the Districts 2015 Comprehensive Master Plan and 2021 updates. Staff is requesting permission to apply for the IDNR OSLAD grant to assist with funding the project. The*



OSLAD grant will reimburse the District 50% of the construction and engineering costs up to a \$600,000 match. Staff is recommending a maximum project amount of \$1,200,000.00 at this time to maximize the grant and until the cost is complete.

**DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Tepe asked about the Fox valley Park District pedestrian bridge. Dir. Rooks-Lopez responded that Fox Valley Park District received a grant to construct the bridge. The bridge would join one of the District trails to complete the route. More information will be provided as the project progresses.*

**RESULT:** **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**TO:** Forest Preserve District Commission  
**MOVER:** Dale Berman  
**SECONDER:** Anita Lewis  
**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

### VIII. New or Unfinished Business

**TMP-24-2858** Resolution Approving the Proposed Settlement of Current Litigation Involving Waste Management, the State of Illinois, the County of Kane, and the Forest Preserve District of Kane County

*Attorney Hodge presented the resolution for authorizing representation to execute a consent order on behalf of the District. The 2019 litigation case involved Waste Management, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the land known to be Settler's Hill. The District is named a necessary party due to the ownership of the land. The District is not taking any financial burdens.*

**DISCUSSION:** *Commissioner Roth asked if the District was being held responsible. Attorney Hodge responded that the District was nominally involved due to ownership of the land, however the District is under a license agreement with Waste Management who is responsible. Waste Management has since complied with requirements, they requested granting access to continue the remedies and testing. Attorney Hodge noted that the District should grant access to Waste Management. Exec. Dir. Haberthur explained that the District has a positive relationship with Waste Management.*

**RESULT:** **MOVED FORWARD BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**TO:** Forest Preserve District Commission  
**MOVER:** Dale Berman  
**SECONDER:** Cherryl Strathmann  
**AYE:** Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

### IX. Closed Session to Discuss Land Acquisition, License Agreements, Potential Litigation and Personnel

*None.*

### X. Communications

*Dir. of Community Engagement Metanchuk promoted the Great Orb Hunt that launched last year. Due to the popularity, the event is back and will run through September 30, 2024. A number of glass and ceramic orbs will be hidden at LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve and Burnidge Forest Preserve this year. Dir. Metanchuk reported on the Carpentersville Ribbon tying event yesterday, September 4, 2024. The first annual Kane Foundation Golf Outing will be held Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 9AM at Hughes Creek Golf Course.*

### XI. President's Comments

*None.*

### XII. Financial Reports

*Reports A-C were moved together.*

- A. Bond Investment Analysis Report through July 2024
- B. Cash & Investment Report through July 2024
- C. Income Statement through July 2024

**RESULT:**           **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**  
**MOVER:**           Mavis Bates  
**SECONDER:**       Cherryl Strathmann  
**AYE:**             Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna  
                          Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

**XIII.    Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 9:55AM*

**RESULT:**           **APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE**  
**MOVER:**           Michael Kenyon  
**SECONDER:**       Jarett Sanchez  
**AYE:**             Mavis Bates, Dale Berman Michael Kenyon Anita Lewis, Myrna  
                          Molina, Jarett Sanchez, Cherryl Strathmann, Vern Tepe

Christopher Kious, President  
Forest Preserve District Executive Committee  
Forest Preserve District of Kane County

Respectfully Submitted,

*Gabriella Figliozi*

Gabriella Figliozi  
Recording Secretary