



Government Center
719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A
Geneva, IL 60134

Forest Preserve District Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

8:30 AM

County Board Room

I. Call to Order

The Forest Preserve District Full Commission meeting was held Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at the Kane County Government Center located at 719 S. Batavia Ave., Geneva, IL 60134. President Kious called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

Approval of Remote Attendance

Commissioners Daugherty, Allan, Sanchez

II. Pledge of Allegiance

President Kious asked Commissioner Mike Kenyon to lead the pledge.

III. Roll Call

PRESENT

Secretary Forest Preserve District Myrna Molina
President Forest Preserve District Chris Kious
Commissioner Deborah Allan (Arrived via remote at 9:01AM)
Commissioner Mavis Bates (Arrived in person at 8:35AM)
Commissioner Dale Berman (Arrived in person at 8:35AM)
Commissioner Gary Daugherty (Remote)
Commissioner Mark Davoust (Arrived in person at 8:35AM)
Commissioner Michelle Gumz
Commissioner Mo Iqbal
Commissioner Leslie Juby
Commissioner Michael Kenyon
Commissioner Bill Lenert
Commissioner Anita Lewis
Commissioner Michael Linder
Commissioner Bill Roth
Commissioner Jarett Sanchez (Arrived via remote at 9:01AM)
Commissioner Monica Silva (Arrived in person at 8:39AM)
Commissioner Cherryl Strathmann
Commissioner Clifford Surges
Commissioner Bill Tarver
Commissioner Vern Tepe
Commissioner Rick Williams
Commissioner David Young

ABSENT

Commissioner Ron Ford

Others Present: Exec. Dir. Haberthur, Dir. of Finance Petschke; Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez; HR Dir. Clough; NRM Dir. Chess; Ops. Dir. Jensen; Dir. of Comm. Engagement Metanchuk & staff Kovach; Chief of Police Burger; Attorney Hodge; Exec. Assist. Figliozzi, KCIT staff

and members of the public.

IV. Public Comment (Each Speaker is limited to 3 minutes)

None.

V. Presentation and Approval of the Minutes from October 8, 2024

RESULT: APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

MOVER: Bill Roth

AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva

VI. Presentation and Approval of the Bills and Commissioners' Per Diem from October 2024 *(Commissioner Silva arrived in person at 8:39AM)*

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Mike Kenyon

SECONDER: Mike Linder

AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez

VII. Presentations

President Kious presented the service awards and recognized the outgoing Commissioners.

A. Illinois Association of Park Districts 20 Years of Service Award

Mike Kenyon, Mark Davoust

B. Illinois Association of Park Districts 10 Years of Service Award

Bill Lenert

C. Recognition of Outgoing Commissioners

Mark Davoust, Ron Ford, Mike Kenyon, Monica Silva

VIII. Ordinances

FP-O-24-11-0607 An Ordinance Abating the Tax Heretofore Levied for the Year 2024 to Pay Debt Service on the Taxable General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016B, of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Kane County, Illinois.

The District, by ordinance adopted on the 10th day of November 2015, did provide for the issue of \$5,860,000 Taxable General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016B (the "Bonds"), and the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay principal and interest on the Bonds. The District has irrevocably deposited Pledged Revenues or other available funds in the Bond Fund (as each is defined in the Bond Ordinance) sufficient to pay debt service on the Bonds on June 15, 2025 and December 15, 2025. It is necessary and in the best interests of the District that the tax heretofore levied for the year 2024 to pay such debt service on the Bonds be abated. **DISCUSSION:** *None.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**
MOVER: Mike Linder
SECONDER: Bill Roth
AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young
ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez

FP-O-24-11-0608 Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1 A.D. 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026 for the: General Fund

*Dir. of Finance Petschke presented the levy of taxes for fiscal year 2025-2026. That there is required to be raised by taxation and that there is levied upon all taxable property within the territorial limits of said Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, the total sum of \$10,842,744.00. **DISCUSSION:** None.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [20-1]**
MOVER: Dale Berman
SECONDER: Michelle Gumz
AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams
NAY: David Young
ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez

FP-O-24-11-0609 Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1 A.D. 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026 for the: Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund

*That there is required to be raised by taxation and that there is levied upon all taxable property within the territorial limits of said Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, the total sum of \$10,000.00. **DISCUSSION:** None.*

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [20-1]**
MOVER: Dale Berman
SECONDER: Bill Lenert
AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams
NAY: David Young
ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez

FP-O-24-11-0610 Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1 A.D. 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026 for the: Construction & Development Fund

That there is required to be raised by taxation and that there is levied upon all taxable property within the territorial limits of said Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, the total sum of \$4,500,000.00. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [20-1]**
MOVER: Dale Berman
SECONDER: Cherryl Strathmann
AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams
NAY: David Young
ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez

FP-O-24-11-0611 Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1 A.D. 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026 for the: Insurance Liability Fund

That there is required to be raised by taxation and that there is levied upon all taxable property within the territorial limits of said Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, the total sum of \$10,000.00. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [20-1]**
MOVER: Dale Berman
SECONDER: Bill Lenert
AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams
NAY: David Young
ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez

FP-O-24-11-0612 Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois for the Levy of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1 A.D. 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026 for the: Social Security Fund

That there is required to be raised by taxation and that there is levied upon all taxable property within the territorial limits of said Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, the total sum of \$10,000.00. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL VOTE [20-1]**
MOVER: Dale Berman
SECONDER: Mavis Bates
AYE: Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill

Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams

NAY: David Young

ABSENT: Deborah Allan, Ron Ford, Jarett Sanchez

IX. Finance and Administration

FP-R-24-11-3121 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Landscapes Golf Management, LLC. to Provide Professional Management Services for Hughes Creek and Settler's Hill Golf Courses

Exec. Dir. Haberthur presented the golf management agreement. The District currently owns two 18-hole golf courses, Hughes Creek and Settler's Hill. Both courses are currently leased by Golf Visions of Mundelein, IL. The current lease agreement with Golf Visions expires on December 31, 2024. Anticipating the end of the current lease agreement, the District issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for course management in August. The RFP instructed vendors to respond with both a "cash lease" option and a more modern "management" agreement option for consideration. Cash lease (license) models are simple landlord/tenant arrangements and have been the model employed in District golf operations to date. Management agreements are more complex, but offer the District more control over golf course conditions and specific financial expenditures (including profit-sharing). Five proposals were received, with Landscape Golf Management of Lincoln, NE presenting the strongest proposal of a professional management agreement. The District will pay LGM a management fee of \$126,000 per year, which increases by 3% each calendar year. In addition, the District will pay a Contingent Management Fee equal to ten percent (10 %) of the increase in current fiscal year gross revenue compared to the prior year, or, the current fiscal year's gross revenue in excess of the corresponding Base Revenue Target (BRT), whichever is greater, as described above. Under this new Golf Management agreement, the District will also be responsible for all expenditures and will receive all revenues associated with the operation and maintenance of both courses. (Commissioners Allan and Sanchez arrived via remote at 9:01AM)

***DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Young asked what the criteria base was for the selection of the winning bidder. Exec. Dir. Haberthur responded that the bids were very competitive. Landscapes Management was selected due to their overall package they were able to provide. The model for food and beverage, the player feedback capabilities and the lease of equipment. Commissioner Williams noted a typo in the third sentence within paragraph H. There was a motion by Williams to amend the verbiage of "manager to be replaced with District", second by Lenert, roll call vote was called.*

RESULT: **AMENDMENT APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Rick Williams

SECONDER: Bill Lenert

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

Commissioner Davoust spoke in favor of the agreement and was very pleased to see the move forward after so many years.

RESULT: **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Mark Davoust

SECONDER: Bill Roth

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young
ABSENT: Ron Ford

FP-R-24-11-3122 Resolution Approving the Purchase of One (1) 2025 Ford F-150 4WD Police Responder Pickup Truck for the Public Safety Department Burger presented the following resolution for the truck

Chief Burger presented the purchase of one pickup truck for the Public Safety Department. The Public Safety department relies heavily on vehicles that are dependable and in good working order to conduct the day-to-day operations of the District. Squad #224 is a 2015 Chevy Tahoe SUV with over 109,000 miles. This vehicle was originally approved for replacement in 2022 through Resolution No. FP-R-22-02-2930, and again through Resolution No. FP-R-22-11-2992, but was not purchased due to supply shortages. The replacement will be a 2025 Ford F150 Police Responder 4WD Super Crew at a cost of \$49,963 for the vehicle and delivery. This truck will require additional aftermarket upgrades to meet Public Safety standards, at an additional cost of \$13,652, for a total cost of \$63,615. This vehicle will be ordered through the state contract with Morrow Brothers Ford Inc., of Greenfield, Illinois. The total purchase for the vehicle, delivery and additional aftermarket upgrades is \$63,615. Funds totaling \$70,000 were budgeted, and \$69,727 are still available in the Automotive Equipment account for this expense. The District will evaluate the disposal of squad #224 in the near future. The District will seek approval from the Board to place the truck through the Public Surplus Auction process. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Michelle Gumz

SECONDER: Bill Roth

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

X. Land Acquisition

FP-R-24-11-3123 Resolution Authorizing a Grant of Easement for Fiber Optic Utility Services to the County of Kane at Prairie Green Forest Preserve

Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the easement agreement with Kane County. Kane County is currently working with CCSI Networks on the installation and design of fiber optic conduit to service Kane County Tri-Comm. The purpose of this connection is to provide a backup connection to the Tri-Com facility through the Kane County fiber network. The Tri-Com facility provides 911 call support and dispatch of emergency services through Kane County. The attached grant of easement will allow the County to install and maintain fiber optic utility services to Tri-Com. The proposed easement agreement does not financially impact the District.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Bill Roth

SECONDER: Mo Iqbal
AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young
ABSENT: Ron Ford

FP-R-24-11-3124 Resolution Authorizing a Third Amendment of an Intergovernmental License Agreement with the Village of South Elgin for the Use of a Portion of the Jon J. Duerr Forest Preserve Elgin for the Use of a Portion of the Jon J. Duerr Forest Preserve

Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the intergovernmental license agreement. In 2011, the Commission approved a License Agreement with the Village of South Elgin for the use of a portion of Jon J. Duerr Forest Preserve to develop a community park. Known as Seba Park, the property is located at the far northern portion of the preserve, close to the Village's downtown area, and along the west shoreline of the Fox River and Fox River Trail. Since then, the Village has continued to make improvements to the property, including an off-leash dog area, parking and trails. In 2024, the Village was awarded funding from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Act through the Kane County Development department for the design and construction of an accessible canoe launch, shoreline protection and fishing pier at Seba Park. This Third Amendment to the License Agreement modifies the agreement to allow for the installation and maintenance of the new amenities, and extends the term of the agreement for an additional 25 years ending on November 30, 2049.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT: **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**
MOVER: Mike Kenyon
SECONDER: Bill Roth
AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young
ABSENT: Ron Ford

XI. Planning and Utilization

FP-R-24-11-3125 Resolution Approving a Change Order for the Carpentersville Dam Removal Project

Exec. Dir. Habberthur presented the change order for the Carpentersville dam removal project. In 2015, the District entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) for the River Obstruction Removal Project. The scope of the river obstruction removal project included cost for the removal of the Fabyan Causeway Island and Carpentersville Dam. The agreement included 100% reimbursement from the IDNR for engineering and demolition costs up to the \$2,500,000 for the removal of the Carpentersville Dam, of which \$911,112.16 remain. The awarded contract with RES Environmental is \$1,197,089.85. Additionally, \$119,708.99 was set aside as a contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,316,798.84. During the demolition of the dam a previously unknown stone causeway, approximately 50' wide and spanning the length of the dam was discovered. Staff, IDNR, V3, Army Corp

and RES Environmental are working on solutions to remove or redistribute the material that appears to be comprised of native river bed material. If the material must be disposed, the additional cost estimate is \$430,000.00, which is \$310,291.01 higher than the authorized spending limit. Staff is requesting an increase in the contingency for the project of \$400,000.00 to cover this potential change and any additional unanticipated expenses, for a total project not to exceed \$1,716,798.84. (*Commissioner Tarver steps away at 9:20AM*)

DISCUSSION: *Commissioner Surges commented that a number of photos have been shared and there has been a lot of interest. He noted that on the south end, the river looks amazing, however on the north end, there was a lot of mud and the water level appeared to be significantly low. He asked if the removal would clear this up once the project is complete. Exec. Dir. Haberthur responded that yes, he explained that the construction was scheduled during a normal drought time period, however this turned out to be a historic drought, therefore the water lowered significantly. He noted that once it rains, the river will "fix itself".*

RESULT: **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Bill Roth

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford, Bill Tarver

FP-R-24-11-3126 Resolution Approving a Bid for Tree Planting at the Johnson's Mound Forest Preserve for the Centennial Celebration

(*Commissioner Tarver returns in person at 9:22 AM*) *Dir. of NRM Chess presented the bid for the Centennial celebration project.* The Forest Preserve District of Kane County was formed on June 8, 1925, in order to protect high-quality natural areas across the County. Chief among the priorities of the founders was the protection of Johnson's Mound, a large gravel kame covered in oak-sugar maple woods with one of the richest understory floras present to this day. Johnson's Mound became the District's first forest preserve upon its acquisition, and has now expanded to a 955-acre preserve. In 2025, the District will celebrate 100 years of conservation. In order to mark that milestone, the District is returning the its original roots by expanding the initial acquisition with a 35-acre agricultural conversion to tallgrass prairie and oak woodland. Trees will be available for donors and volunteers to plant, as a total of 800 trees are planted across the area. In order to diversify the planting and give the new grove better structure, the District is seeking to supplement the smaller volunteer planted trees with 250 larger 1.5" caliper trees that would be planted and cared for by a contract company for a full year. This would also include a guarantee on the trees for that year with a scheduled replacement in the second year, if the tree dies in the first year. The District publicly advertised the bid and received four responses. The qualified, lowest bid was received from RES Great Lakes of Chicago, Illinois, in the amount of \$145,000. Funds totaling \$575,000 were budgeted in Fiscal Year 2024/25 for the Centennial Anniversary Improvements project at Johnson's Mound Forest Preserve. Sufficient funds totaling \$383,058 are available in Planning account for this expense totaling \$145,000.

DISCUSSION: *Commissioner Linder asked about watering the newly planted trees. Dir. Chess responded that that staff would monitor and provide additional water if needed throughout the summer. Commissioner Surges asked about the group of volunteers. Dir. Chess responded that the event is open to the public, so anyone can volunteer and*

there are sponsorship opportunities to purchase trees. Commissioner Juby asked about the significant financial difference between the vendors. Dir. Chess responded that staff assumes it could be related to risk, watering trees and replacing them always seem to be the financial factors of bidders historically.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Mike Linder

SECONDER: Mike Kenyon

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

FP-R-24-11-3127 Resolution Approving a Bid for the Resurfacing of Cart Paths throughout Hughes Creek Golf Course

Dir. of Ops. Jensen presented the bid for the resurfacing of the golf cart paths at Hughes Creek golf course. The existing asphalt cart paths were installed in phases from the late 1990's to early 2000's and are showing significant signs of deterioration and failure in large sections. This project is focused on making continuous improvements in a portion of the most degraded section; while taking into consideration equipment access and travel routes of future cart path maintenance and replacement projects. Beginning at the bridge located near Hole 4, this 35,470 square foot resurfacing will continue into the Hole 9 fairway area, which replaces approximately 1/3 of the total cart path system, or approximately 1.25 miles. The existing path will be pulverized in place, adding approximately 2 additional inches of base from the recycled material, graded, and overlaid with a 2" surface course of asphalt. This process will increase the height of the path by approximately 2" and will be backfilled and seeded to maintain a smooth transition. A 2,400 square foot section of asphalt trail is being removed and returned to a mowed turf path due to the proximity of problematic, wetland vegetation. This change will be similar in design and surface to a 2001 aerial photograph of the area, an allow for mechanical control of the vegetation without compromising an asphalt surface. The bridge approach will be paved as it was prior to the bridge improvement project in FY 2019/20, but all existing decomposed granite sections and pull-offs will remain as the crushed stone surface. The bid was publicly advertised, with 4 responding bidders. Maneval Construction of Ingleside, IL was the lowest qualified bidder with a base bid cost of \$115,927.00, Option 1 cost of \$10,825.00, and Option 2 cost of \$10,825.00; for a total project cost of \$137,577.00. Additionally, we are recommending an 8% contingency allowance to cover any unforeseen costs that may arise during the construction process of \$11,000.00, for a total cost not to exceed \$148,577.00. Funds totaling \$150,000 were budgeted and are available for the Hughes Creek Golf Club Path Improvements project for FY 2024/25 in Land Area Development for the Planning Department.

DISCUSSION: *Commissioner Lenert asked about the timeline of the project and stated that the price was very competitive and was very pleased. Dir. Jensen responded that the final deadline would be spring, staff is hopeful to get the project completed in the fall weather permitting. Commissioner Davoust asked about the strategic locations to pour concrete for the wash out areas. Dir. Jensen responded that the floodways will remain crushed stone, these will be evaluated again in the future.*

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Mark Davoust

SECONDER: Bill Lenert

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark

Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

Executive

FP-R-24-11-3128 Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Easement Agreement Between the Forest Preserve District of Kane County and the Village of West Dundee

Dir. of Planning and Land Protection Rooks-Lopez presented the intergovernmental easement agreement. In 2021, the Village of West Dundee applied for and was later awarded a federal grant to improve, widen, and resurface Sleepy Hollow Road. A key component of the proposed Sleepy Hollow improvements included the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian path connection between Huntley Road and Route 72. The proposed intergovernmental easement agreement permits the Village of West Dundee to construct and maintain the proposed bike path while retaining District ownership of the land. Recreational activity within Schweitzer Forest Preserve is restricted by a Conservation and Preservation Agreement recorded by Emily Schweitzer in 1990. However, a provision was included in the agreement that allowed the construction of a bicycle path along and within 50 feet of the eastern boundary. The proposed path has been designed to honor the requirements of the Schweitzer Conservation and Preservation Agreement.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Cliff Surges

SECONDER: Jarett Sanchez

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

FP-R-24-11-3129 Resolution Authorizing the Delegate(s) to Vote on Matters Presented During the Illinois Association of Park Districts' (IAPD) Annual Business Meeting Held on January 25, 2025

Exec. Dir. Haberthur presented the annual authorization to vote on business matters at the IAPD meeting, noting that all board members are invited and welcome to attend the conference. Each member district shall be entitled to be represented at all Association meetings and conferences by a delegate or delegates. Delegates of the Association meetings or conference may include members of the governing boards of member districts, the Secretary, Attorney, Treasurer, and Director or any paid employee of the member district. Each delegate shall present proper credentials consisting of a certificate by the Secretary of the member district said delegate or delegates represent, with seal of office affixed, showing that the governing board at a special or regular meeting authorized said delegate or delegates to represent said member district. On all questions, each member district represented shall have one vote, which shall be the majority expression of the delegation from that member district. **DISCUSSION:** None.

RESULT: APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER: Dale Berman

SECONDER: Bill Tarver

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark

Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

DOC-2024-50 Presentation and Approval of the Forest Preserve District's 2025 Committee Meeting Schedule

Exec. Dir. Haberthur presented the Committee schedule for 2025.

DISCUSSION: None.

RESULT: **APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE**

MOVER: Bill Roth

SECONDER: Dale Berman

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

DOC-2024-51 Efficiency Report for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County

President Kious presented the final Efficiency report to be placed on file.

RESULT: **APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE**

MOVER: Mike Kenyon

SECONDER: Mark Davoust

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cherryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

XI. New Business

None.

XII. Closed Session to Discuss Land Acquisition, License Agreements, Potential Litigation, and Personnel – None.

XIII. Communications

Dir. of Comm. Engagement Metanchuk promoted the Centennial Celebration event including sponsorship opportunities for the tree planting. Dir. Metanchuk spoke on the passing of the referendum, she shared her gratitude of all the support the District has received.

XIV. President's Comments

President Kious thanked the outgoing Commissioners for all their years of service and accomplishments over the years.

XV. Department Reports

RESULT: **APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE**

MOVER: Monica Silva

SECONDER: Mavis Bates

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon,

Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young
ABSENT: Ron Ford

XVI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:43AM

RESULT: APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

MOVER: Michael Kenyon

SECONDER: Mark Davoust

AYE: Deborah Allan, Mavis Bates, Dale Berman, Gary Daugherty, Mark Davoust, Michelle Gumz, Mo Iqbal, Leslie Juby, Michael Kenyon, Chris Kious, Bill Lenert, Anita Lewis, Michael Linder, Myrna Molina, Bill Roth, Jarett Sanchez, Monica Silva, Cheryl Strathmann, Clifford Surges, Bill Tarver, Vern Tepe, Rick Williams, David Young

ABSENT: Ron Ford

Chris Kious, Chairman
Forest Preserve District Commission
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Respectfully Submitted,

Gabriella Figliozzi _____