



Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

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Camp Sullivan, 14630 Oak Park Ave, Oak Forest, Illinois**

BOARD AGENDA

for the

Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, July 12, 2016, 10:00 AM

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Pursuant to Forest Preserve District Code of Ordinances, public testimony will be permitted at regular and special meetings of the Board. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon at this time to deliver testimony germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three (3) minutes. The names of duly authorized speakers shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Clerk of the Board.

PRESIDENT

16-0308

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

PUBLIC UTILITIES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Title 5, Public Utilities, Chapter 2, Franchises, Sections 5-2A-5 and 5-2B-5, Tree Mitigation of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

Sec. 5-2A-5. Tree Mitigation.

All plans submitted will include a listing of all trees over four (4) inches in diameter breast height (DBH) that will be removed from FPD property as a result of construction of the proposed facilities. This list will include the DBH, common name, and species name for each tree to be removed. Plans will also indicate the location of the trees to be removed, identity of each individual tree and indicate that it is to be removed by showing an "X" through the tree symbol on the plans. The FPD will use this information to determine the tree mitigation fee using the FPD's tree mitigation plan as adopted by the Board of Forest Preserve District Commissioners on March 21, 2007, and as further amended by the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners.

Sec. 5-2B-5. Tree Mitigation.

All plans submitted will include a listing of all trees over four (4) inches in diameter breast height (DBH) that will be removed from FPD property as a result of construction of the proposed facilities. This list will include the DBH, common name, and species name for each tree to be removed. Plans will also indicate the location of the trees to be removed, identity of each individual tree and indicate that it is to be removed by showing an "X" through the tree symbol on the plans. The FPD will use this information to determine the tree mitigation fee using the FPD's tree mitigation plan as adopted by the Board of Forest Preserve District Commissioners on March 21, 2007, and as further amended by the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners.

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

16-0276

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

TO AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT TO PAY THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (IDOT) THE LOCAL SHARE OF CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR THE NORTH BRANCH BICYCLE TRAIL SOUTHERN EXTENSION-STAGE 2 AND AMEND A LOCAL AGENCY AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") has sought and been awarded, funds from the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality ("CMAQ") federal grant program administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation ("IDOT") for the construction of a 2.96 mile southern extension of the North Branch Bicycle Trail (hereafter the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, on October 10, 2014, the Board of Commissioners authorized the Forest Preserves to enter into a local agency agreement (the "Local Agency Agreement"), with IDOT to pay 20% of the Phase III Construction Engineering (\$530,000.00) costs and estimated Construction costs (\$6,710,000.00) associated with the Project; and

WHEREAS, due to the amount of available funding, the Project was divided into two stages: Stage 1 from Devon and Caldwell Avenue to Forest Glen Avenue and, Stage 2 from Forest Glen to Foster & Kostner Avenues; and

WHEREAS, federal funds available for Stage 2 of the Project total \$2,000,000.00 (\$1,600,000.00 in

Transportation Alternative Program (“TAP”) funds and \$400,000.00 in CMAQ funds (both administered by IDOT); and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2016, the Forest Preserves Board of Commissioners authorized the Forest Preserves to enter into an additional Local Agency Agreement for Stage 2 construction and authorized payment not to exceed \$400,000.00, representing approximately 20% of the cost of Stage 2 construction; and

WHEREAS, IDOT received a low bid in the amount of \$2,343,699.50 for the construction of Stage 2 of the Project; and

WHEREAS, based on an estimated construction cost of \$2,343,699.50, IDOT will be responsible for up to \$2,000,000.00 and the Local Agency will be responsible for up to \$500,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the fiscal impact for the Forest Preserves, as the Local Agency, will be up to \$500,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, IDOT requires that the Forest Preserves execute a Local Public Agency Amendment to reflect increased costs for Stage 2 of the Project; and

NOW, THEREFORE. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County hereby authorize the Forest Preserves to amend the Local Agency Agreement to include the additional TAP funds (\$1,600,000.00) with “CMAQ” funds (\$400,000.00) received for the Project and for authorization to pay up to \$500,000.00 of the construction cost for Stage 2 of the Project to IDOT pursuant to the Local Agency Agreement as amended. The total estimated construction cost for the Project including Stage 1 and 2 is now \$7,705,889.33 and the District is responsible for 20% of such amount or \$1,541,177.87

16-0314

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

TO AUTHORIZE THE FOREST PRESERVES TO OFFER CERTIFICATES FOR CERTAIN EXPERIENCES

WHEREAS, from time to time, the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Preserves”) would like to offer complimentary recreational and educational experiences within the Preserves to the following: (1) individuals or organizations that will promote, advertise, or market the Preserve; (2) non-profit organizations which serve Cook County residents; and/or (3) individuals or organizations otherwise approved by the General Superintendent to receive such complimentary certificates, (collectively Proposed Complimentary Certificate Recipients); and

WHEREAS, such complimentary experiences may include, without limitation, the following: Aquatic Center Family Admission, Camping, Camp and Climb Events, Picnics, Naturalist Walk, Night Naturalist

Walk, Treetop Adventure Course -Family Pack, Golf on Forest Preserve Course (Foursome), and/or 2 Hour Boat Rental; and

WHEREAS, the total value of the complimentary certificates for recreational and educational experiences that the Preserves would like to offer shall not exceed \$10,000 on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, such certificates shall be subject to restrictions on use as designated by the Preserves, and all applicable provisions of the Preserves' Code of Ordinances; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserves of Cook County hereby authorizes the Preserves to offer complimentary certificates for certain recreational and educational experiences in the Preserves to Proposed Complimentary Certificate Recipients, provided, however, that the total value of such certificates shall not exceed \$10,000 on an annual basis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all policies, resolutions, and ordinances of the Forest Preserves of Cook County that conflict with this Resolution, shall be considered to be in full force in effect except to the extent that they conflict with this Resolution.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

16-0269

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Planning and Development

Vendor: Path Construction Company, Arlington Heights, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to extend a previously executed contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction services for improvements to various buildings at the Central Garage and Warehouse Complex

Original Contract Period: 10/26/2015 - 4/23/2016 and an Administrative Extension (4/24/2016 - 6/23/2016)

Proposed Contract Period Extension: Two hundred seventy (270) days (6/24/2016 (retroactive) - 3/21/17)

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$1,026,100.00

Original Approval: 4/14/2015, \$1,026,100.00

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: N/A

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): 13-80-01-G5R2

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

District(s): 1

Summary: Additional time is required to perform the work. Coordinating fire alarm systems with local fire department, bathroom and water redesign and obtaining building permits and water permit has impacted the construction period. This project includes making improvements for ADA accessibility, life safety issues as well as office and restroom functionality.

16-0270

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Planning and Development

Vendor: Robe, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to extend a previously executed contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction services for the renovation and addition to the Palos Division headquarters located near Willow Springs.

Original Contract Period:

4/13/2015-12/10/2015, Administrative Extension (12/11/2015-2/9/2016) Board approved extension (2/9/2016-8/8/2016)

Proposed Contract Period Extension: One hundred twenty (120) days 8/9/2016-12/7/2016

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$633,646.00

Original Approval: 2/11/2015, \$633,646.00

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: N/A

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): 13-80-01 G6R1

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

District(s): 17

Summary: This is a time extension only. Additional time is needed due to delays in relocating an electric transformer last fall and then, winter conditions. It is anticipated that work will be substantially complete and the Preserves will have use of the building by mid-August. This work includes improvements for ADA accessibility, life safety issues and office and washroom functionality.

16-0271

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to Maine Township High School District 207, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain a 1.5-inch conduit with fiber optic line along the north side of Oakton Street from the Des Plaines River to Algonquin Road at Campground Road Woods. The conduit will be installed underground by directional bore within the right of way of Oakton Street and will be owned by, and for the exclusive use of, the Grantee.

Term: Continuous

License Fee: \$68,181.82

License Application Fee: \$500.00

YELAR Fee: \$3,600.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$72,281.82 for the term of the License
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: None

The area of the License is: 0.947 acres

Concurrence(s):

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff have reviewed this license application and plans and have found them to be acceptable; therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 9 and 17

16-0272

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to Wide Open West d/b/a WOW!, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain a fiber optic line along the north side of Dundee Road between Milwaukee Avenue and the I-294 Tollway at Potawatomi Woods to connect cellular towers for public telecommunication services. The section west of the Des Plaines River will have two 1.5-inch underground conduits installed within the existing right of way by directional bore, and from the west bank of the river to the Tollway will be aerial cable installed on the existing ComEd pole line.

Term: Ten (10) Years

License Fee: \$119,876.03

License Application Fee: \$1,000.00

YELAR Fee: \$3,600.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$124,476.03 for the term of the License

(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: None

The area of the License is: 1.665 acres

Concurrence(s):

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff have reviewed this license application and plans and have found them to be acceptable; therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 14

16-0273

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to The Village of Westchester, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain 1,080 linear feet of 30-inch sanitary sewer on FPCC property to replace an existing 5,000 linear feet of 30-inch sanitary sewer on FPCC property. Relocating the storm sewer will result in less impacts to the FPCC than replacing the existing sewer, and less impact for long term future maintenance.

Term: Continuous

License Fee: \$26,776.86

License Application Fee: \$500.00

YELAR Fee: \$3,600.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$30,876.86 for the term of the License
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: \$19,154.26

The area of the License is: 0.372 acre

Concurrence(s):

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff have reviewed this license application and plans and have found them to be acceptable; therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 17

16-0294

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a Hardship License pursuant to the District Code Section 2-3-1D to Mark A. Zieminski and Lisa Zieminski, 348 Michigan City Road, Calumet City, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain an existing concrete and stone raised patio, retaining wall and existing attachments that encroaches onto the Preserves. The patio and retaining wall were built as part of the house in 1941. Removal of the encroachments would jeopardize the structure of the existing residence. The Grantees purchased the house in 2002 and continue to occupy and maintain the patio, retaining wall, and attachments.

Term: 10 Years

License Fee: \$3,600.00

License Application Fee: None

YELAR Fee: Waived

Total fee of \$3,600.00 payable in annual installments for the 10 year term of the License (Sec. 2-3-1D and 5-2A-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: None

The area of the License is: 0.013 Acre

Concurrence(s):

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff have reviewed this license application and plans and have found them to be acceptable; therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 4

16-0302

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to North Cook County Soil & Water Conservation District, Grantee, to share approximately 200 square feet of workspace at the Preserves’ Northwest Resource Management facility, 640 Cosman Road, Elk Grove Village, Illinois.

Term: 5 years

License Fee: \$100.00 monthly

License Application Fee: \$0.00

YELAR Fee: Waived

Total one-time upfront fee of N/A for the term of the License
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: N/A

The area of the License is: Approximately 200 square feet of workspace at the Preserves’ Northwest Resource Management facility, 640 Cosman Road, Elk Grove Village, Illinois

Concurrence(s):

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff have reviewed this license application and plans and have found them to be acceptable; therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 15

16-0304

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Facilities and Fleet

Vendor: Steril Koni; Stevensville, Maryland

Request: This is a request to enter into a contract with Steril-Koni USA, Inc. (“Steril”), pursuant to Section 1-8-2(AA) of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County’s Code of Ordinances, based on pricing terms and conditions established by the National Joint Powers Alliance (the “NJPA”), for Heavy Duty Lifts and Accessories. The NJPA is a national public service agency that leverages the purchasing power of more than 50,000 members. Steril was selected as a vendor by the NJPA through a competitively solicited Request for Proposals process in June 2015.

Good(s) or Service(s): Heavy Duty Lifts and Accessories for the Fleet Maintenance Department.

Contract Value: \$243,463.66

Contract period: One time purchase

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2016: \$243,463.66

Accounts: Capital Outlays, 53-6300 and Building Account, 25-6710, 26-6710, 54-6710, 55-6710, 56-6710 and 09-6710

Contract Number(s): National Joint Powers Alliance, 061015-SKI

Concurrences:

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Fleet Maintenance Department is requesting to purchase Heavy Duty Lifts and Accessories. The request is to purchase:

- Two (2) sets (4 columns each set) Mobile Column Lifts
- Six (6) Heavy Duty Twin Post Hydraulic Lifts
- One (1) Heavy Duty Four Post Hydraulic Ramp Lift
- Eight (8) Mobile Jack Stands
- Two (2) Air Hydraulic Tire Dolly
- One (1) Air/Hydraulic Transmission Jack
- One (1) Scissor Lifting Table

These new heavy duty lifts and accessories will improve Fleet Maintenance service operations for Districtwide equipment and vehicles. The high bay addition was recently built for Fleet Maintenance to accommodate the larger equipment Districtwide.

16-0306

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Department: Planning and Development

Grantee: The Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”)

Grantor: Illinois Department of Natural Resources’ Land and Water Conservation Fund (“LWCF”)

Request: Authorization to apply for grant

Purpose: Authorization to apply for grant funds and match funds if awarded

Grant Amount: \$1,070,250.00

Grant Period: Three (3) Years From Grant Approval Date

Fiscal Impact: Not to Exceed \$1,070,250.00

Accounts: Land Acquisition, 25-6800

District(s): 15

Summary: Approval of resolution authorizing the Preserves to apply for a grant and, if awarded, to provide match funds and enter into an agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. The LWCF grant would provide funding for the acquisition of the 165 Algonquin property in Barrington Hills, Illinois. The 23-acre site would provide a direct connection between Horizon Farms and Spring Creek Forest Preserves. The acquisition of this property would allow the Preserves to install a natural surface trail to connect to the Horizon Farm trail system and to restore the site to a more natural condition to establish a wildlife corridor and greenway connection between existing Preserve holdings. Approved "Resolution of Authorization Approval" form required as part of application.

Concurrences: The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

16-0315

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Request: requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves") to enter into a revenue generating Partnership Agreement with Recreational Equipment Inc. ("REI"), Chicago, Illinois.

Reason: The Preserves seek to partner with REI for the purposes of providing outdoor recreation and outdoor activities as well as educating the public with nature based activities which includes but is not limited to hiking, biking, camping, archery and volunteer stewardship. For all courses conducted on the Preserves' property, REI will compensate the Preserves with 20% of all registration fees collected from their participants. Participants of REI's courses will also receive extensive environmental education supplemented by nature-based recreational activities which promote forest preserve awareness, and teaches participants how healthy forest preserves contribute to their community and quality of life. These courses promote the use of the Preserves and REI has committed to partnering with the Preserves' volunteers to provide them with recognition gifts to reward these individuals that have dedicated an enormous amount of volunteer service hours to protect and restore the Preserves. In addition, REI will cross promote each other's events and activities that occur on the Preserves property.

Contract period: 7/12/2016 - 12/31/2017

Fiscal Impact: \$8,000.00, Revenue Generating

Account(s): N/A

Concurrences:
REI is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): Districtwide

16-0301

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Campground Report

Report Period: Campground Openings, May, 2015 - Year to Date

Summary: Report of Campground Operations, Programming, Revenue and Attendance, since their openings in May of 2015. Customer comment stats will be included as well.

16-0316

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Finance and Administration

Request: Submitting Annual Business Diversity Report for referral to the Contract Compliance Committee

Report Title: FY 2015

Report Period: 1/1/2015 - 12/31/2015

Summary: Submitting report for referral to the Contract Compliance Committee

16-0275

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Finance and Administration

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Procurements and Disbursements Report

Report Period: 5/1/2016 - 5/31/2016

Summary: Submitting the Procurements and Disbursements Report for the period of May 2016. This report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2(BB) of the District's Code of Ordinances.

16-0303

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED MISCELLANEOUS ITEM OF BUSINESS

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Summary: Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar - 7/12/2016 - 9/13/2016

Thursday, 7/14; 5 - 7 pm

Butterfly Lab, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Drop in on Sagawau's Butterfly Lab to learn about the local lepidopterans. See what's hatching and learn ways to support conservation efforts.

Saturdays and Sundays through October 9; 1:30 and 2:30 pm

Garden Chef Series: Regenstein Fruit & Vegetable Garden Kitchen Amphitheater, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Join noted chefs as they feature fresh produce and prepare original recipes. Free.

Saturday, 7/16; 9 am - Noon

Painting by the Pond, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

Watch artists at work as they create original paintings near our pond. Enjoy seeing the many different styles of "plein air" painting (painting from life). Paintings displayed until August 16.

Saturday, 7/16; check in 5 pm to Sunday, 7/17; 1 pm

Family Campout, Camp Reinberg, 1801 N Quentin, Palatine

This special overnight event for families is a great intro to camping. Basic skills training, a cookout and outdoor activities are included. The cost is \$75 for family groups up to 6. Camperships are available for families with financial need. For more information and to register, email experiencecamping@cookcountyil.gov

Sunday, 7/17; 1-3 pm

Art in Nature Series: Artists Trading Cards, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Join artist Nancy Lawrence to create little works of art on 3½" x 2½" cards. Any medium can be used. Bring your creativity.

Sunday, 7/17; 1:30 pm

Bug-a-Palooza, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Learn about the amazing diversity of insects as we catch and release as many different kinds as we can.

Thursday, 7/21; 11 am - 2 pm

Insect Fest, Cummings Square, 536 N Harlem Ave, River Forest

Rain Location: Thatcher Woods, 8030 Chicago Ave, River Forest

Let's celebrate insects! Explore how pollinators help us. Build a bug playground. Follow migratory patterns of monarch butterflies and learn how to create habitat for them locally. All ages.

Sunday, 7/24; 1:30 pm

Ecological Restoration Workday, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

You can help restore natural habitats by removing invasive plants! Ages 18 & up and families with children 9 & up are welcome.

Tuesday, 7/26; Pre-activities start at 5:30 pm. Concert runs from 6:30 - 8 pm

Forest Jams, Cermak Aquatic Center, 7600 W Ogden Ave, Lyons

Rain location: Thatcher Woods Pavilion, 8030 Chicago Ave, River Forest

Head out to our summer concert series and participate in group jam sessions, learn about making instruments from natural and recycled materials and enjoy music by Mambo 7, a Mernegue/Bachata band from the Dominican Republic For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Thursday, 7/28; Pre-movie activities start at 6:30 pm. Movie begins at dusk.

Films in the Forest - "Inside Out," Rolling Knolls, 11N260 Rohrssen Road, Elgin

Rain Location: Camp Reinberg, 1801 N Quentin Rd, Palatine

Join us for Inside Out, the Pixar hit about a young girl's struggles as witnessed through her emotions, to adapt to a new community. Before the movie there will be family-friendly activities as well as a visit from PBS Kids' Nature Cat. Pack a picnic dinner and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment at scenic preserve venues. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Saturday, 7/30; 10:30 am

Herons, Geese, and More, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs

Join us for a hike along the slough as we observe the similarities and differences among these fascinating wetland residents. Binoculars recommended. Registration required. Family program. Limit 15.

Tuesday, 8/2; Pre-movie activities start at 6:30 pm. Movie begins at dusk.

Films in the Forest - "The Nut Job," Kickapoo Woods, 144th and Halsted, Chicago

Join us for The Nut Job, where a mischievous squirrel, must plan a heist to get into his town's biggest nut shop in order to help his pals in the park gather food to survive the winter. There will be all kinds of family-friendly nature activities before the film. Pack a picnic dinner and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment at scenic preserve venues. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Thursday, 8/4; Noon - 4 pm

4th Annual Teen Exploration, Powderhorn Lake, 13843-14387 S Brainard, Burnham

This annual event is teen-focused, with activities highlighting outdoor adventure and education. Try your hand at canoeing, tree climbing, archery and other fun. Call 312-533-5751 for more information.

Tuesday, 8/9; Pre-activities start at 5:30 pm. Concert runs from 6:30 - 8 pm.

Forest Jams, Whealan Pool, 6200 W Devon, Chicago

Rain location: Mathew Bieszczat Volunteer Resource Center, 6100 N Central, Chicago

Head out to our summer concert series and participate in group jam sessions, learn about making instruments from natural and recycled materials and enjoy concerts by the Hoyle Brothers, an American/Rockabilly/Honky-tonk/Western Swing Band. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Thursday, 8/11; 3:30 pm - 6 pm

Archery 101, Lake Avenue East Woods, 4887 W Lake Ave, Northbrook Never tried archery before?

Attend this session to learn all things archery: history, bow parts and proper technique. Explore River Trail Nature Center before you join in on the archery fun.

Thursday, 8/11; 6:30 - 8 pm

Concert at the Cliff, Swallow Cliff Visitors Center, 10267 Calumet Sag Road, Palos Hills

In partnership with the Village of Palos Park, enjoy the summer sounds Johnny Russler & Beach Bum Band. Bring your chairs, blankets and picnic baskets for a relaxing evening. Call 708-671-3760 or visit palospark.org for details.

Thursday, 8/11; Pre-movie activities start at 6:30 pm. Movie begins at dusk.

Films in the Forest - "Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga' Holle," Green Lake Woods, 1100 River Oaks Drive, Calumet City

Rain location: Sand Ridge Nature Center, 15891 Paxton Ave, South Holland

Join us for Legend of the Guardians, the Owls of Ga'Hoole, a mythical story about warrior owls and their fight to save the species. Family friendly activities start before the movie. Pack a picnic dinner and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment at scenic preserve venues. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Saturday and Sunday, 8/13 and 14; 10 am - 3 pm

Kite-Flying Performances and Kite-Making Workshops, West Meadow, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Enjoy soaring, stunt-kite performances set to music by members of the Chicago Fire Kite Team and members of the Kite Society of Wisconsin and Illinois. Free.

Friday, 8/19; check-in 5 pm to Saturday, 8/20; 1 pm

Family Campout, Camp Sullivan, 14630 Oak Park Ave, Oak Forest

This special overnight event for families is a great intro to camping. Basic skills training, a cookout and outdoor activities are included. As part of the fun, families can take part in special onsite activities and the Humming Bird Fest at Sagawau on Saturday. The cost is \$75 for family groups up to 6. Camperships are available for families with financial need. For more information and to register, email experiencecamping@cookcountyil.gov

Saturday, 8/20; 9 am - 2 pm

Hummingbird Fest, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Celebrate the beauty of these amazing birds! Join us for activities, viewing and demos of how the birds are banded for tracking and research purposes.

Sunday, 8/21; 1 pm

Cicadas!, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Lurking below the soil for most of their lives, these insects crawl to the surface and make themselves known during the August heat. Learn about their secretive beginnings which later become a part of the summer throng throughout our area.

Tuesday, 8/23; Pre-movie activities start at 6:30 pm. Movie begins at dusk.

Films in the Forest - "The Big Year," Cermak Woods, 7600 W Ogden Ave, Lyons

Rain Location: Thatcher Woods Pavilion, 8030 Chicago Ave, River Forest

Join us for Big Year, a hilarious look at three men's attempt to be the Birder of the Year. As part of our #birdthepreserves initiative there will be all kinds of family-friendly bird activities before the film. Pack a picnic dinner and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment at scenic preserve venues. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Thursday, 8/25; 6 - 9:30 pm

Full Moon Celebration Paddle, Skokie Lagoons, Tower Road Boat Launch, Winnetka

Join us for a unique paddle as we celebrate the full moon. This is more than a canoe trip - it's an experience full of surprises you won't soon forget.

Friday, 8/26; 7:30 pm

An Evening in the Cabin, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Join us as we open up the cabin for an evening. Experience what pioneer life might have been like with wild edible samples and activities of the time. Register by 8/24.

Saturday, 8/27; 1:30 pm

Keystone Species, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs

Oak trees, beavers, bees and hummingbirds all play a huge role in supporting ecosystems. Discussion will be followed by a hike. Registration required. Adult program. Limit 20.

Sunday, 8/28; 11 am - 2 pm

Family Fish School, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Have fun with your family learning about fish and fishing with the Forest Preserves' fish biologist. Limited equipment available or bring your own. Registration required.

Sunday, 8/28; 1 - 2:30 pm

Solar Astronomy Drop-In, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest Learn about and view our closest star, the sun, through a special filter on our telescope, cook a snack in a solar oven, and make a sun craft! Drop-in program for adults and families.

Thursday, 8/30; 5 - 7 pm

End of Summer Archery and Hike, Eggers Woods, 11201 S Avenue B, Chicago

Explore the trails around Eggers Woods on a hike led by Forest Preserves staff, followed by a hands-on archery workshop. Pack a picnic and stay for dinner! Other activities, too.

Sundays in September; 10 am

Canyon Tours, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Sagawau Canyon will highlight the geology of Northeastern Illinois. Hike is over rough terrain, and wading through a stream is necessary. Registration in person or by phone, starts the Monday prior to the program date. No groups. Space is limited.

Tuesday, 9/1; Pre-activities start at 5:30 pm. Concert runs from 6:30 - 8 pm.

Forest Jams, Dan Ryan Woods, Grove 5, 87th and Western, Chicago

Head out to our summer concert series and participate in group jam sessions, learn about making instruments from natural and recycled materials and enjoy concerts by Chicago Heat, Chicago's Premier Blues Band For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov.

Saturday, 9/3; 1:30 pm

Insects and Blooms, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs

Discover what's blooming in our tall grass prairie, and examine what insects are pollinating these late flowering plants. *Registration Required. Family Program.*

Saturday, 9/3; 7:30 - 9:30 am

Bird Walk: Fall Migration; Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Take a walk in the Garden with a member of Chicago Audubon Society and learn to identify birds in their sometimes-confusing fall plumage. Dress for the weather and meet at the Visitor Center. Registration required and fee applies.

Sunday, 9/4; 1 pm

Stroll Through a September Prairie, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Experience a prairie's "golden month." Join us for a two-mile walk along Phantom Prairie to view sunflowers and goldenrods that shine this time of year!

Monday, 9/5; 1:30 pm

Holiday Program: Singing Insects, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Join us on Labor Day for an insect program. Do you ever hear a chorus outside your window as you try to fall asleep? Come discover the insects that sing. Presentation followed by a short hike to see how many insects we can hear.

Saturday and Sunday, 9/10 and 11; 10 am - 4 pm

Opening of the Regenstein Learning Campus; Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Learn...play...get inspired by the natural world at the opening of the new Regenstein Learning Campus. Run up and down the rolling hills, strike a yoga pose, splash in the water (and play in the mud), find your inner artist, create a mosaic, make a smoothie, dance, and just have fun. Plus, there will be music, family drop-in activities, free plants to take home, and more. Come to this free celebration, and get just a taste of the 500-plus classes offered by the Joseph Regenstein Jr. School of the Chicago Botanic Garden. Free.

Saturday, 9/10; 10 am - 2 pm

Fishin' Buddies Fall Fishing Derby, Wampum Lake, I-90/94 & Thornton Lansing Rd, Thornton-Lansing

This annual family fishing derby is perfect for all skill levels. *Register at fishin-buddies.net/fishing.*

Saturday, 9/10; 10 am - 5 pm & Sunday, 9/11; 10 am - 4 pm

A River Runs Thru History, Des Plaines Valley Rendezvous, Columbia Woods, Willow Springs

Look back 200 years to frontier life and enjoy food, music, crafts, reenactments, canoe races, games and more. Park free at UPS parking lot at Willow Springs Rd and 7th St and take the shuttle bus to the site. Adult admission \$10; family pass \$25; seniors (over 62) \$5; children (6-17) \$5. Free for kids under 6. Cash only. More info at aRiverThruHistory.com

Sunday, 9/11; Noon - 3 pm

Migrating Monarchs Celebration, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

Learn about this amazing globe-trotting butterfly and trace its migration route through fun activities, crafts, and displays. See how monarchs are raised, and tagged for tracking. Learn how you can help monarchs and other pollinators! *Family event.*

Saturday, 9 24; Early morning til late in the evening

Save the Date: Party for the Preserves: A Celebration of Public Lands Day, Five Campgrounds.

The Forest Preserves will celebrate Public Lands Day with a Party for the Preserves. Our five campgrounds, located throughout the county, will be the host sites for all day activities that celebrate and offer a variety of fun, educational environmental and nature based activities that celebrate all the great stuff you can do in the preserves. Look for birding, biking, running, art making, hiking, animal encounters, nature games, camping demos, yoga or other fitness, restoration and stewardship during the day. In the evening each campground will host an admission based party with a unique theme including live music, a movie or other performances. Special camping packages will be available for campers who want to spend the night.

COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 7/12/2016

16-0305 PROPOSED AGREEMENT PayNet, Inc., Skokie, Illinois

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 7/12/2016

16-0323 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS regular meeting held on 6/17/2016

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 7/12/2016

16-0305 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION) 6/7/2016

16-0265 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT Patson Inc. DBA TransChicago, Elmhurst, Illinois

16-0289 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT Martinez Frogs - OVC JV, Chicago, Illinois

16-0290 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT Speedy Gonzalez Landscaping, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

16-0291 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT Path Construction Company, Arlington Heights, Illinois

16-0292 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT Paul Borg Construction Co., Chicago, Illinois

16-0277 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Enlight Corporation, Chicago, Illinois

16-0287 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Trees "R" Us, Inc., Wauconda, Illinois

16-0288 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Trees "R" Us, Inc., Wauconda, Illinois

16-0298 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Rausch Infrastructure, LLC, Chicago, Illinois

16-0299 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Matthew Paving, Inc., Oak Lawn, Illinois

16-0274 REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenses as of 5/31/2016