

**JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY**

County Board Room, County Building

Board Meeting of

Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 10:00 A.M.



TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT

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**MATTHEW B. DeLEON
SECRETARY TO THE BOARD**

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Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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OFFICIAL RECORD

President Preckwinkle in the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

QUORUM

Secretary to the Board, Matthew B. DeLeon called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

Also Present: President Preckwinkle

INVOCATION

Father Jerry Boland, Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Glenveiw, Illinois gave the invocation.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

President Preckwinkle asked the Secretary of the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code.

1. George Blakemore, concerned citizen
2. Leonard and Ruth Hertko, concerned citizens

CONSENT CALENDAR

16-0182

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

HONORING SUSAN DOMBRO FOR RECEIVING THE NON-FORMAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2016, Susan Dombro received the Non-Formal Educator of the Year Award from the Environmental Education Association of Illinois (EEAI) and was honored at EEAI'S annual conference in Canton, Illinois. This award, limited to one recipient each year, is presented for exhibiting innovative and exemplary effort in providing environmental education opportunities for general audiences; and

WHEREAS, Susan Dombro has been with the Forest Preserves of Cook County for nearly 20 years beginning as a naturalist and now serving as the Director of the Trailside Museum and Nature Center in River Forest, Illinois. Susan was instrumental in designing and building the Forest Preserves' first nature play area at Crabtree Nature Center in Barrington. This nature play area has served as an inspiration for other forest preserves, park districts, and zoos in the region. Through her direct efforts and her example, she has introduced thousands of children to the joys of nature play. Sue is now building her second nature play area at Trailside; and

WHEREAS, Susan Dombro has been a leading advocate for the Leave No Child Inside Initiative, an initiative launched by Chicago Wilderness and now conducted in partnership with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Sue has led workshops on the benefits of nature play and has been extremely generous and enthusiastic in sharing her experiences, tips, and lessons learned with colleagues and partners; and

WHEREAS, Susan Dombro spends each and every day introducing people to nature and helping Forest Preserve visitors build their confidence as they explore the outdoors. Her passion and work contribute substantially to the Forest Preserves Conservation and Experiential Programming Department's mission to ensure that everyone will feel welcome in the Forest Preserves and will seek them out for discovery, renewal and fun; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Arnold L. Randall, General Superintendent; Toni Preckwinkle, President; and the Board of Commissioners of the Preserves thank and congratulate Sue Dombro on being recognized as EEAI's Non-Formal Educator of the Year for her commitment to connecting people with nature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be presented to Susan Dombro as a token of appreciation for her service to the Forest Preserves of Cook County and the residents of Cook County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Consent Calendar Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

16-0187

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to Northern Illinois Gas Company dba Nicor, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain an additional 41 feet of 4-inch diameter gas main connected to the existing 4-inch diameter gas main installed, operated and maintained under the terms of License No. 507, last renewed in 2013 for a ten year term. The additional 41 feet is to connect the Village of Northbrook water distribution facility to the existing gas main across Dundee Road, within the existing right of way, on the Preserves property.

Term: 7 Years

License Fee: \$2,520.00

License Application Fee: \$700.00

YELAR Fee: \$2,520.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$5,740.00 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: 0.014 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): 14

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Moore, that this License Request be referred to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0193

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Resource Management

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

Grantor: The Morton Arboretum through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: Grant funding for tree planting at Beaubien Woods and Joe Louis Golf Course.

Grant Amount: \$30,000.00

Grant Period: 5/10/2016 - 7/15/2017

Fiscal Impact: \$37,166.00 In kind match

Accounts: Potential Grant Match and Work Fund 09-6757, EAB Tree Planting 09-6753, Vegetation Management 09-6754, EAB Tree Removal 09-6756, Grant Accounts 10-6750

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 5

Summary: The Forest Preserve District of Cook County has received a grant from the Morton Arboretum through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (“GLRI”) to fund replanting of trees at the Beaubien Woods and Joe Louis Golf Course, a site that has lost many trees due to impacts from the Emerald Ash Borer (“EAB”).

The total grant amount is \$67,166.00, with \$37,166.00 having been provided as match by the Preserves via prior EAB tree removal work.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Moore, that this Grant Award be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0194

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Resource Management

Vendor: Clauss Brothers, Elgin, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to utilize additional accounts contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Tree planting and landscaping services

Original Contract Period: Date of execution to 3/22/2022

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: Not to exceed \$800,000.00 per twelve (12) months

Original Approval: 3/22/2016

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: Not to exceed \$4,800,000.00 over six years

Accounts: EAB Tree Planting 09-6753; Potential Grant Match and Work Fund 09-6757; Grant Accounts 10-6750; Camp Accounts 25-6730 and 26-6730; Site Amenities Accounts 25-6770, 26-6770, 52-6770, 54-6770, 55-6770 and 56-6770; CIF Accounts 09-6770 and 09-6730

Contract Number(s): 15-31-119

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): Districtwide

Summary: Additional accounts are being added to accommodate grant-related work that may be covered under this contract. The contract was originally approved by the Board of Commissioners on 3/22/2016. All other details of the contract remain unchanged.

Contract #15-31-119 consists of comprehensive landscape design, irrigation and drainage system consultation, tree planting and maintenance, turf restoration, and landscape protection and maintenance services throughout the Preserves' holdings.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arroyo, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0195

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Planning and Development

Vendor: All-Bry Construction, Burr Ridge, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction services for Camp Sullivan Barn including the renovation and remodeling of the Camp Sullivan barn as an indoor activity space for the Camp Sullivan campgrounds. The project also includes site work, landscaping, structural, exterior finishes, new interior spaces, new restrooms, interior architectural finishes, interior wheelchair lift, interior climbing wall, and MEP&FP and other related work as specified in the plans & specifications.

Original Contract Period: 5/4/2015 - 3/5/2016, Administrative Extension (3/6/2016 - 5/5/2016)

Proposed Contract Period Extension: One hundred twenty (120) days (5/6/2016 - 9/23/2016)

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$2,446,000.00

Original Approval: 3/10/2015, \$2,446,000.00

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: N/A

Accounts: Camp Accounts, 52-6730, 54-6730, 55-6730, 56-6730, 25-6730 and 26-6730

Contract Number(s): 13-80-03-009-C

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): 6

Summary: Additional time is required to close-out this contract. Work is substantially complete and the Preserve has occupancy of the building. This request is for time only.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arroyo, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0196

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Planning and Development

Vendor: AGAE Contractors, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Life safety, ADA and locker room improvements at the Preserves Skokie Resource Management Headquarters, Glen Grove Equestrian Center and North Branch Maintenance Headquarters

Original Contract Period: 3/27/2014 - 3/18/2015, Administrative extension (3/19/2015 - 5/18/2015)
Board approved extension (5/19/2015 - 5/18/2016)

Proposed Contract Period Extension: One hundred eighty (180) days (5/19/2016 - 11/15/2016)

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$352,075.92

Original Approval: 1/14/2014, \$303,377.00

Previous Increase(s): 10/6/2015, \$48,698.92

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: N/A

Accounts: Building Accounts 26-6710, 52-6710, 54-6710, 55-6710 and 56-6710

Contract Number(s): 13-80-01 G2R1

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): 6 and 11

Summary: This extension is for time only. The contractor has completed all life safety, ADA and locker room contract work at all locations with the exception of fire alarm systems. Fire alarm system work remaining to be completed includes obtaining approval of fire alarm systems from local fire prevention bureaus, installation of fire alarm systems, and final acceptance from permitting agencies. Also required is additional work by a third party contractor pending bid solicitations to remove asbestos containing flooring systems. Completion of close-out activities also remains.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arroyo, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0207

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): General Office

Vendor: Marj Halperin Consulting

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to enter into and execute a two (2) year professional services contract.

Contract Value: \$180,000.00

Contract period: 5/10/2016 - 5/9/2018

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2016 \$52,500.00 FY 2017 \$90,000.00 and 2018 \$37,500.00 with a one year option renewal

Accounts: 01-6200, Contractual Services

Contract Number(s): 16-10-001 - Related to Request for Proposal Number (RFP) 16-20-305

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): Districtwide

Summary: The Forest Preserves of Cook County has selected Marj Halperin Consulting to support various communications initiatives in the effort to raise the public profile of the Preserves as they relate to the goals outlined in the Next Century Conservation Plan. The communications consultant will work with the Communications Department to strategize, assist and execute events, public relations, media relations, crisis communications, overall messaging needs and other communications needs as directed. The contract period is for twenty four (24) months with a one (1) year option renewal. RFP’s were posted for a period of one (1) month and MHC was selected after a competitive public bid process. A selection committee evaluated all firms based on their responses to the criteria outlined in the RFP, experience, credentials and fees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0211

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED AGREEMENT

Vendor: Autofrost Corp., Griffith, Indiana

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”) to enter into an agreement

Reason: Seven companies responded to the Request for Proposals to select a mobile ice cream concessionaire for each of the Forest Preserves’ twelve regions. Autofrost Corp. was deemed the most responsive and responsible vendor to operate the Calumet, Palos, Thorn Creek, Tinley Creek and Sag Valley regions. Autofrost Corp. presented the strongest financial package and management plan for the coming term. Agreement subject to legal review.

Calumet Region

Year 1: \$3,000.00 Year 2: \$3,000.00 Year 3: \$3,000.00 Year 4: \$3,000.00

Palos Region

Year 1: \$2,000.00 Year 2: \$2,000.00 Year 3: \$2,000.00 Year 4: \$2,000.00

Thorn Creek Region

Year 1: \$1,500.00 Year 2: \$1,500.00 Year 3: \$1,500.00 Year 4: \$1,500.00

Tinley Creek Region

Year 1: \$1,500.00 Year 2: \$1,500.00 Year 3: \$1,500.00 Year 4: \$1,500.00

Sag Valley Region

Year 1: \$1,500.00 Year 2: \$1,500.00 Year 3: \$1,500.00 Year 4: \$1,500.00

Contract period: Forty Eight (48) months from the issuance of the Purchase Order

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$38,000.00, Revenue Generating

Account(s): N/A (No Fiscal Impact)

Concurrence(s): The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): 3,4,5,6, 11 and 17

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Agreement be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0212

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED AGREEMENT

Vendor: Windy City Ice Cream, Chicago Ridge, Illinois

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”) to enter into an agreement

Reason: Seven companies responded to the Request for Proposals to select a mobile ice cream concessionaire for each of the Forest Preserves’ twelve regions. Windy City Ice Cream was deemed the most responsive and responsible vendor to operate the Salt Creek region. Windy City Ice Cream presented the strongest financial package and management plan for the coming term. Agreement subject to legal review.

Salt Creek Region

Year 1: \$6,000.00 Year 2: \$6,000.00 Year 3: \$6,000.00 Year 4: \$6,000.00

Contract period: Forty Eight (48) months from the issuance of the Purchase Order

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$24,000.00 Revenue Generating

Account(s): N/A)

Concurrence(s):

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

District(s): 1, 16 and 17

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Agreement be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0215

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED AGREEMENT

Vendor: Pars Ice Cream Company, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”) to enter into an agreement

Reason: Seven companies responded to the Request for Proposals to select a mobile ice cream concessionaire for each of the Forest Preserves’ twelve regions. Pars Ice Cream Co, Inc. was deemed the most responsive and responsible vendor to operate the Indian Boundary, North Branch, Northwest and Poplar Creek regions. Pars Ice Cream Co, Inc. presented the strongest financial package and management plan for the coming term. Agreement subject to legal review.

Contract period: Forty Eight (48) months from the issuance of the Purchase Order

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$90,000.00 Revenue Generating

Indian Boundary Region

Year 1: \$7,000.00 Year 2: \$7,000.00 Year 3: \$7,000.00 Year 4: \$7,500.00

North Branch Region

Year 1: \$6,000.00 Year 2: \$6,000.00 Year 3: \$6,000.00 Year 4: \$6,500.00

Northwest Region

Year 1: \$7,500.00 Year 2: \$7,500.00 Year 3: \$7,500.00 Year 4: \$8,000.00

Poplar Creek Region

Year 1: \$1,750.00 Year 2: \$1,750.00 Year 3: \$1,750.00 Year 4: \$1,750.00

Account(s): N/A

Concurrence(s):

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

District(s): 1, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Agreement be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0197

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Planning and Development

Vendor: Green Business Certification Inc., Washington DC

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to enter into and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Professional Services Agreement to certify compliance with United States Green Building Council, Inc.'s (USGBC) Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program for Swallow Cliff Warming Shelter and Rolling Knolls Visitor Center.

Contract Value: \$8,400.00

Contract period: 5/10/2016 until termination

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$8,400.00 to be fully reimbursed through grants.

Accounts: General Consulting Accounts, 25-6740, 52-6740, 54-6740, 55-6740, 56-6740 and 09-6740

Contract Number(s): 13-80-01 G7R2 and 13-80-01 G7R3

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 15 and 17

Summary: The US Green Building Council requires LEED certification applicants to work with its licensee, Green Business Certification Inc. to review project specifics for compliance with and determination of the level of LEED certification. Swallow Cliff Woods Visitor Center is anticipated to receive Silver Level Certification and Rolling Knolls Visitor Center is anticipated to receive Gold Level Certification. Because this is a multi-year agreement, Board approval is required. This contract is a form contract and as such the terms are extremely favorable to Green Business Certification Inc. (GBCI). The contract is subject to mandatory arbitration in the District of Columbia and governed by the laws of the District of Columbia. The Forest Preserve is specifically obligated to indemnify GBCI for GBCI's negligence. Recourse under this contract for the Forest Preserves is limited. Costs associated with this certification are reimbursable through an Illinois Clean Energy & Community Foundation grant that has already been awarded to the Preserves.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arroyo, seconded by Commissioner Sims, that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0201

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Finance and Administration

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Procurements and Disbursements Report

Report Period: 3/1/2016 - 3/31/2016

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Report be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0203

Presented by: ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED MISCELLANEOUS ITEM OF BUSINESS

Department: General Office

Chicago's True Nature: The Forest Preserves of Cook County Documentary

WYCC PBS Chicago TV On-Air Screening Dates

Sunday, May 15th @ 7:00 PM

Saturday, May 21st @ 7:00 PM

Monday, May 16th @ 9:00 PM

Sunday, May 22nd @ 4:00 PM

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Summary: Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar - 5/11/2016 - 6/7/2016

Tuesday, 6/7; 10 am - 2 pm Save the Date!

Live Healthy Discover Nature, Daley Plaza, Chicago

Join us after the June board meeting to celebrate all things in the Forest Preserve and kick off our summer programming. We are at Daley Plaza until 2 pm with information, giveaways, live animals and fun bird activities. The noontime performance with the Andean musical group Sisai is part of our #birdthepreserves initiative and celebrates birds' migratory journey between North and South America.

Sundays in May and Saturdays in June; 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.

Saturdays - Sundays, 5/7 - 10/30; 10 am - 5 pm; open Wednesdays until 8 pm, 6/8 - 8/31 (weather permitting)**Model Railroad Garden: Landmarks of America; Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

The 7,500-square-foot Model Railroad Garden features trains running on 1,600 feet of track. The garden-scale trains are 1/29th the size of life-size trains. Train and garden enthusiasts, young and old, return year after year for the delightful sights and sounds of the miniature trains traversing high and low through tunnels, across bridges, and around buildings. All are intricately handcrafted with natural materials, including twigs, bark, leaves, acorns, and pebbles. More than 5,000 tiny trees, shrubs, groundcovers, and flowering plants of close to 300 varieties re-create the topographical landscape of America. Vignettes of tiny people and animals give the exhibit a storybook feel, while sound effects and a working geyser capture visitors' imaginations. Fee applies.

Thursday, 5/12; 4 - 6:30 pm

**Nature Obstacle Course & Adventure Night, Bremen Grove, Grove 1,
400-6498 Nature Drive, Oak Forest**

Attempt our nature obstacle course - created from all natural forest materials. Also, join our staff for archery instruction, nature crafts and other surprises. Archery for ages 10 & up; other activities for all ages. No reservation needed; call 312-533-5751 for more information.

Saturday - Sunday, 5/14 - 5/15

Camping Leadership Immersion Course; Camp Sullivan, Oak Forest

The CLIC overnight training course teaches camping equipment use and care, campground cooking, outdoor activities, teamwork and nature-based education. After completing this training, group leaders can borrow tents, sleeping bags, sleeping pads and cookware for a group campout at Camp Sullivan. Training is required to gain access to gear. For more info, email experiencecamping@cookcountyil.gov.

Saturday, 5/14; 9 am - 3 pm

International Migratory Bird Day, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Spread your wings for bird conservation! Spend the day celebrating birds and learn how they continue to serve as indicators of environmental health.

Saturday, 5/14; 11 am - 3 pm

Nature Block Party: A Celebration of Biodiversity, Eggers Grove, 11201 S Ave B, Chicago

Discover the flora and fauna of the urban preserves. Join us for restoration activities, bird and tree hikes, games, biking and more!

Wednesdays and Fridays,

5/18 and 5/20 - McLaughry Springs; 5/25 and 5/27 - Bergman Slough

Birding in Your Preserves, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Some birds are specific to habitat type. Join us as we highlight different habitats by visiting a new preserve each week. Adults and interested teens. Registration required.

Thursday, 5/19; 5 - 8 pm

Navigation Unplugged, Thatcher Woods, 8030 Chicago Ave, River Forest

Come create art inspired by nature. Try your hand at a variety of projects with a creative reuse focus. All Ages. No registration required.

Saturday, 5/21 - Sunday, 5/22; 10 am

Malott Japanese Garden Children's Festival; Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

Enjoy a tea ceremony and shakuhachi flute performance, along with activities such as calligraphy and making original samurai helmets. Free.

Saturday, 5/21; 1:30 pm

Spring Constellation Mythology, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs

Ever wonder what constellations are in the night sky? Their names and mythology will be revealed during an informative discussion. Registration required. Ages 10+. Limit 25.

Sunday, 5/22; 8 am

Des Plaines Canoe and Kayak Marathon, 906 River Rd, Mt Prospect

Join the second oldest continual canoe race in the United States! Race begins at Oak Springs Road in Libertyville and ends at Dam #2 in Mount Prospect. Free for spectators. Race starts at 8 am. Activities at Dam #2 start at 11 am. To register, visit canoemarathon.com

Sunday, 5/22; 1 pm**Sunday Funday, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills**

We'll search for crawling, slithering and flying creatures in this activity-packed program! Dress for the outdoors.

Sunday, 5/22; 1 - 3 pm**Trailside History Hike, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest**

Enjoy a long guided hike to learn about the history of Trailside Museum and Thatcher Woods. Visit Native American sites, an abandoned village and more. Adults and children 12 & up. Register by 5/20.

Sunday, 5/22; 1:30 pm**Migratory Madness, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Find out the what, where, when, why and how of bird migration.

Sunday, 5/22; 1:30 pm**Wetlands of Sand Ridge, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Join us as we journey around Sand Ridge to investigate three distinct wetlands: marsh, swamp and ephemeral/vernal. We will take a look at their differences and discuss what wildlife might call each type of wetland home. Dress for the weather and be prepared for an hour-long hike.

Wednesday, 5/25; 4:30 - 7:30 pm**Skokie Lagoons Evening Tour, Skokie Lagoons****Tower Road Boat Launch, North Branch Trail, Winnetka**

Drop in during your lunch hour for a relaxing way to enjoy the afternoon - paddling Big Bend Lake. Beginners welcome.

Daily, 5/28 - 9/5; 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 daily (weather permitting)**Butterflies & Blooms; Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

An outdoor butterfly garden where visitors can immerse themselves with hundreds of live tropical butterfly species from around the world. Visitors can also watch butterflies and moths as they hatch in the pupa and cocoon emergence room.

Fee applies

Saturday, 5/28; 11 am to 7 pm**Free Opening Day, Whealan Aquatic Center, Chicago; Cermak Family Aquatic Center, Lyons; Green Lake Aquatic Center, South Holland**

Enjoy FREE fun in the water all day Saturday. Swim, splash or just plain cool off this season at one of the Forest Preserves' three aquatic centers. From water slides to family play areas to scenic forest preserve views, our aquatic centers offer something for everyone. Check SwimFPDCC.com for regular daily hours and any changes

Wednesday, 6/1; 10 am - 2 pm**NATURE IS ACCESSIBLE!, Little Red School House Nature Center, Willow Springs**

Visitors of all abilities are invited to celebrate nature through accessible activities. Nature Cat from the PBS Kids show will be joining us!

Saturday, 6/4; 8:30 am - 1 pm

Share the Trail, various locations Look for our staff and volunteers along the trails on National Trails Day with info and giveaways throughout the Forest Preserves. And be sure to check out our Share the Trail website at fpdcc.com/stt!

Saturday, 6/4; 10:30 am - 12 noon

Planting for Pollinators, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs

Find out how to attract bees, butterflies, and other pollinators to your garden using native plants. Enjoy a walk through our garden and leave with a souvenir.

Registration Required. Interested teens and adults. Limit 20.

Saturday, 6/4; 1:30 pm

Live Healthy, Discover Nature! Hike, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Join our monthly hiking club. A naturalist will lead a vigorous, four-mile hike on our trails.

Sunday, 6/5; 9 am - 12 pm

Commissioner Timothy O. Schneider’s Fishing Derby, Busse Woods, Schamburg

Bring your friends, family and fishing gear and try to catch the largest, small, longest or squirmiest fish. To register call 847-640-1632 or email tim.schneider@cookcountyil.gov and leave a name, address, email, phone number and number attending.

Sunday, 6/5; 12 - 4 pm

Explore the Forest: 100 Years and Growing!, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Celebrate the Forest Preserves of Cook County. Climb a tree! Touch a fish! Check out the restoration equipment! Pitch a tent! Try archery! See the many ways to enjoy the forest preserves. Special Activities at this Leave No Child Inside Event.

Sunday, 6/5; 1 pm

Companion Planting, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest

Myth or fact? Decide for yourself after learning all about the ideas behind it and how to apply it in your own garden. Univ. of IL Extension-led program. *Adult program, register by 6/3.*

Sunday, 6/5; 1:30 pm

Creature Feature: Reptiles, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Visit with some of our local reptiles to learn about their amazing adaptations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Miscellaneous Item of Business be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 5/11/2016

16-0221 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS regular meeting held on 4/12/2016.

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Daley, that this Journal of Proceedings be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 5/11/2016

16-0206 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation - 4/12/2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Recommendation of the Finance Subcommittee (Litigation) be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0191 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Matthew Paving, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Moore, that this Bid Recommendation be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

16-0202 REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT Forest Preserve District of Cook County
Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenses as of 3/31/2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Moore, that this Report be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Moore, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Murphy, Steele, and Tobolski (3)