



**FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

3300 Golf Road, Brookfield, IL

White Oak Room

Brookfield Zoo-Wild Encounters

BOARD AGENDA

Tuesday, July 23, 2019, 10:00 AM

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

PRESIDENT

[19-0329](#)

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION**TO AUTHORIZE THE FOREST PRESERVES OF COOK COUNTY TO CONTRIBUTE A LOCAL MATCH FOR GRANT AWARDED FOR THE DES PLAINES RIVER TRAIL SOUTHERN EXTENSION STUDY**

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2017 the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) was awarded services from the Local Technical Assistance Program (“LTAP”), a federally and state-funded program administered by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (“CMAP”), to facilitate a planning study for extending the Des Plaines River Trail from West 26th Street in North Riverside to Ogden Avenue in Lyons (hereafter the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, as of June 14, 2018, CMAP and the Forest Preserves entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with respect to the Project (the “MOU”);

WHEREAS, pursuant to such MOU, it is estimated that by year-end 2019, CMAP will have provided an estimated \$107,000.00 in services to the Forest Preserves; and

WHEREAS, in return for such services CMAP requires a contribution from the Forest Preserves in the amount of \$15,000.00 to CMAP’s Local Technical Assistance Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forest Preserves of

Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby retroactively authorizes the execution of the MOU referenced above by the Forest Preserves' Director of Planning and Development, and hereby also authorizes the Forest Preserves to make a local match contribution to CMAP's Local Technical Assistance Fund in the amount of \$15,000.00, from Consulting & Management Services accounts, 51009.520860, 51054.520860 and 51055.520860.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

[19-0284](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves"), as Licensor to grant a License to Northern Illinois Gas Company dba Nicor Gas Company ("Nicor"), Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain 7,368 linear feet of 36-inch and 24-inch natural gas pipelines along the north edge of the Busse North Forest Preserve and Nature Preserve. The two (2) pipelines will replace the existing pipelines granted under License Nos. 313 and 313A, in 1958 and 1970, respectively. The license agreements for the existing pipelines will be terminated. The existing pipelines currently cut through the Nature Preserve. The new pipelines will be relocated to run along and parallel with the south edge of the I-90 right of way. Nicor desires to replace the pipelines to facilitate required inspections by using an in-line inspection tool, which electronically inspects the pipeline from the inside. Since the existing pipelines are nonstandard size (License 313) and change from 36-inch to 42-inch (License 313A), Nicor is unable to maintain its inspection schedule due to limited availability of the inspection tool. Nicor requests a 66-foot-wide license area for the construction, maintenance, safety, and inspection of the pipelines. Nicor will obtain Construction Access Permits for temporary staging and workspace areas. Six hundred thirty-five (635) trees are proposed for removal.

Term: Ten (10) Years

License Fee: \$892,448.81
(after credit for remaining nine (9) years on Licenses 313 and 313A)

License Application Fee: \$1,500.00

License Review Fee: \$46,000.00

YELAR Fee: \$6,450.00

Tree Mitigation Fee: \$2,836,387.49

Additional Mitigation Fees: \$525,000.00. In addition to the License fees, Nicor will provide \$400,000.00 for restoration of one hundred thirty (130) areas of Forest Preserve land adjacent to the new pipeline. The restoration will connect the previously restored area with the areas closest to the impact zone to promote a quicker recovery of the impacted areas.

Nicor will also provide \$125,000.00 to offset recreational impacts due to the construction activity. This mitigation will include picnic shelter repair and improved wayfinding signage.

Total one-time upfront fee: \$4,307,786.30 for the term of the License

The area of the License is: 11.662 Acres

Concurrence(s):

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item. Final license agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

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 Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 15

[19-0304](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to the Village of Riverside (“Riverside”), Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain 340 linear feet of 12-inch watermain from First Avenue to the Des Plaines River in the Salt Creek Forest Preserves. The proposed watermain will replace and run adjacent to the existing 8-inch watermain, which will be grouted and abandoned in place. The license agreement for the existing watermain will be terminated. The new watermain will be installed by directional bore. No trees are proposed for removal. Riverside has also agreed to pay Construction Access Permit fees for work performed before the start of the license agreement.

Term: Ten (10) years

License Fee: \$10,068.87

License Application Fee: \$500.00

License Review Fee: \$3,000.00

YELAR Fee: \$6,450.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$20,018.87 for the term of the License
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: None

The area of the License is: 0.12 Acre

Concurrence(s):

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item. Final license agreement subject to legal review and approval.

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 Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 17

[19-0302](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LEASE AMENDMENT

Department: Legal Department

Request: Requesting authorization to amend an office lease for the purpose of extending the term.

Landlord: 1140 Lake Street, LLC, Chicago, Illinois

Tenant: Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves")

Location: 1136-1140 Lake Street, Suite 309, Oak Park, Illinois

Term/Extension Period: 10/16/2019 - 10/15/2020, with an additional one (1) year renewal option to be

exercised at the discretion of the General Superintendent.

Space Occupied: 4,364 Rentable Square Feet

Monthly Rent: \$7,818.84 in first year; if second year option is exercised, \$8,000.67.

Fiscal Impact: \$93,826.08; if second year option is exercised, \$96,008.04; up to \$189,834.12 in total (Plus pro rata share of Common Area Maintenance (CAM), taxes and insurance over 2014 base year).

Accounts: Office Rental 51001.700005

Termination: Tenant may sublease or assign the lease at any time with Landlord's reasonable consent.

Utilities Included: All utilities except electricity are included

District(s): 1

Summary: Requesting authorization to extend the current lease at 1136-1140 Lake Street, Suite 309 in Oak Park, Illinois to continue occupancy by the Forest Preserves' Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming ("CEP"). The Forest Preserves is negotiating to lease space in an existing Cook County facility to accommodate CEP's space needs long-term.

[19-0320](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Law Enforcement

Vendor: Quicket Solutions, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Web-Based Evidence Management System

Contract Value: Not to Exceed \$110,000.00 over a five (5) year period

Contract period: 9/1/2019 - 8/31/2024

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2019 \$12,000.00, FY 2020 \$21,000.00, FY 2021 \$21,000.00, FY 2022 \$21,000.00, FY 2023 \$21,000.00, FY 2024 \$14,000.00

Accounts: Professional Services 51001.520840

Contract Number(s): 74000006193 (Issued under Request for Proposal #18-70-100)

Concurrences:

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

MWBE participation goals are not applicable due to the contract value per year is below the \$25,000.00 threshold set by Ordinance.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Forest Preserves would like to engage Quicket Solutions, Inc., to provide a Web-Based Evidence Management System including software, cloud-based infrastructure for computing, storage, maintenance, support, updates, and extensive training classes for the use of its system, to the Forest Preserves Department of Law Enforcement.

The Forest Preserves issued a Request for Proposals and received two (2) responses. The Forest Preserves determined that Quicket Solutions, Inc. was the most responsive and most cost-effective to provide the Department of Law Enforcement a Web-Based Evidence Management System. Services include training and support for approximately one-hundred seventeen (117) sworn law enforcement officers, sergeants and command staff and six (6) civilians. The services will allow sworn law enforcement officers to participate in a cloud-based infrastructure for computing and storage on scene from their police vehicles.

[19-0311](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Resource Management

Vendor: Encap, Inc., Dekalb, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Comprehensive habitat enhancement services

Contract Value: Not to exceed \$3,375,000.00

This contract is subject to a pricing escalator that allows for a rate increase not to exceed the Chicago

area Consumer Price Index change for the corresponding line item. This escalator can be requested at the end of 2021, for a maximum of one (1) potential increase. This will not impact the overall authority of the contract.

Contract period: 8/1/2019 - 11/30/2023

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2019 \$375,000.00, FY 2020 \$750,000.00, FY 2021 \$750,000.00, FY 2022 \$750,000.00, FY 2023 \$750,000.00

Accounts: Habitat Enhancement 51009.521452 and 51058.521452, Habitat Restoration 51009.521444, 51058.521444, and 51051.521444, EAB Tree Removal 51009.521456, 51058.521456, and 51051.521456, Vegetation Management 51009.521455, 51058.521455 and 51051.521455, Intern Programs 51009.521525, 51058.521525, and 51051.521525, Grant Match and Work Fund 51009.521440, Grant and Mitigation 51010.521444, Site Amenities 51009.560060, 51055.560060, 51056.560060 and 51057.560060

Contract Number(s): 74000006165

Concurrences:

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

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance via direct participation.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: Project #18-31-101X consists of comprehensive habitat enhancement services including, but not limited to invasive species management, prescribed burning, and ecological and hydrological repair throughout the Forest Preserves. Work will involve restoration at quality sites which require a high degree of specialization. Four (4) vendors were initially approved by the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners on July 26, 2018 to perform services under RFP #18-31-101 for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$25,000,000.00. The funds previously approved for use by the initial four (4) vendors will now be capped internally at \$21,625,000.00, as opposed to the previously approved \$25,000,000.00. The difference between these two amounts is reflective of the authority requested herein. Encap, Inc. is being engaged as a fifth vendor in order to increase work capacity and supplement the existing vendor pool as it relates to expanding prescribed fire, brush clearing, and vegetation management during the growing season due to new grant and mitigation project opportunities.

The Forest Preserves issued a Request for Proposals and received a total of eight (8) responses for this project. Proposals were evaluated on their experience and expertise with similar projects, proposed approach, cost proposal, and capacity to perform all aspects of the work.

This contract is critical to advancing the goals of the Next Century Conservation Plan to restore 30,000 acres to ecological health.

[19-0312](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Department of Resource Management

Other Part(ies): United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”), Springfield, Illinois

Request: Authorization to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Cooperative Services Agreement with the USDA

Goods or Services: Continuation of ongoing integrated wildlife management services related to wildlife research and disease surveillance.

Agreement Number(s): 20-7217-8011-RA

Agreement Period: 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2024

Fiscal Impact: Not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 per year, or \$5,000,000.00 over the five (5) year term

Accounts: Integrated Wildlife Service 51009.521451, 51058.521451, and 51051.521451, Habitat Enhancement 51009.521452, 51058.521452, and 51051.521452, Habitat Restoration 51009.521444, 51058.521444, and 51051.521444, Other Contractual Services 51058.521525 and 51051.521525, Grant and Mitigation 51010.521444

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: This Cooperative Services Agreement will enable the USDA to assist the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) with projects and programs such as population management, collection, and monitoring of a variety of mammalian, avian, reptilian and amphibian species in regard to the surveillance of zoonotic and other wildlife borne diseases.

The project will assist the Forest Preserves with implementing and meeting wildlife management objectives which enhance the native biodiversity of the Forest Preserves as well as reduce the risk of wildlife related incidents.

The Forest Preserves has an existing Intergovernmental Cooperative Services Agreement with the USDA which expires 12/31/2019.

[19-0322](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED REAPPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Commissioner Dennis Deer

Position: Member of the Board of Directors

Department/Board/Commission: NeighborSpace Board of Directors

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: June 2021

Summary: In 1997, the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) entered into an agreement with the City of Chicago and the Chicago Park District to form NeighborSpace, a not-for-profit that owns, leases and insures small parks, gardens, natural areas, river edges and scenic landscapes in the City of Chicago. A Forest Preserves Commissioner, the General Superintendent, and an additional Forest Preserves staff member sit on the Board of Directors of NeighborSpace along with representatives of the City of Chicago and the Chicago Park District.

Commissioner Deer has served on the NeighborSpace Board of Directors as the Forest Preserves Board of Commissioners representative since January 2018.

[19-0328](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ITEM AMENDMENT

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Request: Authorization to increase local match under a grant awarded pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement entered into on 7/26/2018

Item Number: 18-0135

Original Text of Item: PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Planning & Development

Other Part(ies): Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD)

Request: Permission for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the MWRD

Goods or Services: Green Infrastructure grant from MWRD of the lesser of \$319,933.00 or 63.8% of the total project cost as a reimbursement to the Forest Preserves for construction, operation, and maintenance of a permeable pavement parking lot and native plantings at the Forest Preserves Dam No. 4 Woods East, located near Devon Avenue and Dee Road, between the Village of Rosemont, the City of Park Ridge, and the Edison Park Neighborhood of the City of Chicago.

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: Thirty (30) years

Fiscal Impact: Not to exceed ~~\$231,676.00~~ \$310,064.70 (local match including contingency)

Accounts: Site Improvement Accounts 51009.560060, 51025.560060, 51026.560060, 51054.560060, 51055.560060, 51056.560060, 51057.560060, 51058.560060, ~~and~~ Grant Account 51010.560028 and 51027.560090

District(s): 9

Summary: As part of its Green Infrastructure Program, the MWRD proposes to contribute the lesser of \$319,933 or 63.8% of the estimated total final project cost of \$501,463, for the Forest Preserves to retrofit approximately 41,850 square feet of existing asphalt parking lot with porous unit paving, remove the remaining 50,850 square feet of asphalt parking lot and restore the area to natural open space. The green infrastructure components of the project shall be designed by the Forest Preserves to capture up to 94,212 gallons of storm water per rain event. This project is intended to reduce direct discharge of storm water runoff to the Des Plaines River, in order to help reduce downstream flooding and improve in-stream water quality. The Forest Preserves is responsible for maintaining the project, including the permanent posting of required signage. In addition to the costs described above, the proposed agreement includes provisions that

could result in additional future costs to the Forest Preserves that are unknown at this time. The MWRD shall have the right (including any necessary right of access) to conduct its own annual inspection of the constructed project.

The Forest Preserves is required to comply with applicable standards or provisions in MWRD's Purchasing Ordinance and Affirmative Action Ordinance, as well as MWRD's applicable labor requirements. The final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

[19-0306](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Finance and Administration

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Procurement and Disbursements Report

Report Period: 5/1/2019 - 5/31/2019

Summary: Submitting the Procurement and Disbursements Report for the period of May 2019. The report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2 (BB) of the District's Code of Ordinances.

[19-0110](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Summary: Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar - 7/23/2019 - 9/24/2019

Through September (All day)

Bees and Beyond, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe

This Garden-wide program reveals the vital role pollinators play in our everyday lives and in a healthy, diverse plant. Discover pollinator-themed gardens, bold topiaries and floral carpets, an interactive exhibition, and more.

Through September 2; 10am - 5pm**Butterflies and Blooms, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

Immerse yourself in a garden habitat filled with hundreds of live butterflies from around the world, as well as some native to North America. Tickets are required.

Through September 2; 10am - 4pm**Nature Play Garden Family Drop-In Activities, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

Activities provide hands-on activities for families and children daily on the Regenstein Learning Campus.

Through September 2 (All day)**Evenings, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

Long summer nights are the perfect time to unwind with friends and family during the Garden's extended summer hours. Pack a picnic and enjoy special live music performances for all ages.

Every Day, 7/23 - 9/29; 9:30am - 6pm**Brick Safari, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield**

Brick Safari features more than 40 life-size animal sculptures created from millions of individual colored LEGO bricks! The menagerie of animals will be located along a winding, wooded pathway on the east side of the park, and many of the sculptures are based on some Brookfield Zoo favorites, such as the lion, giraffe, snow leopard, and pangolin. Open during zoo hours.

Wednesday, 7/24; 6:30pm**Movies in the Park: Films from the Forest, Willye B. White Park, Chicago**

In partnership with the Chicago Park District forest fun comes to the city. Family friendly activities start at 6:30 pm, film starts at dusk. **Film:** Aquaman.

Fridays and Saturdays, 7/26 - 8/10; 5pm - 9pm**Summer Nights, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield**

Brookfield Zoo's summertime event is back for a sixth season! Enjoy the zoo in a new light with cooler evening weather, enhanced dining, beer and wine garden, live music, roaming performers, Animal Ambassadors, and a new laser light show, all surrounded by wildlife and nature.

Friday, 7/26; 10am - 12pm**Wellness in the Woods Walk, Dan Ryan Woods, Chicago**

Led by UIE Master Naturalist Roberta Jannsen. *Registration required.*

Friday, 7/26; 8:30pm - 10pm**They Fly By Night-Moths, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Join us for a short presentation, then we will go outside to discover live moths visiting our black lights and other attractants. *Adults and children ages 10 and up.*

Saturday, 7/27; 1:30pm**Beekeeping 101, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Learn about bees, how they make honey, and how to cultivate it. Then take a tour of an active beehive.

Sunday, 7/28; 1pm

Wild Edibles, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Many native plants have edible parts or medicinal uses. Take a hike and learn how to add some of these plants to gardens and dinner plates! Bring water, a hat and your favorite mosquito repellent.

Tuesday, 7/30; 6:30pm

Movies in the Park: Films from the Forest, Fuller Park, Chicago

In partnership with the Chicago Park District forest fun comes to the city. Family friendly activities start at 6:30 pm, film starts at dusk. **Film:** Spiderman: Into the Spiderverse

Saturday, 8/3; 10am - 1pm

Little Calumet River Paddle, Beaubien Woods Boat Launch, Riverdale

Explore the Little Calumet River by canoe. *Canoes and other equipment provided.*

Saturday, 8/3; 3pm - 7pm

Peace in the Preserves: A Community Call to Celebrate Diversity, Labagh Woods, Chicago

Northwest Side Coalition Against Racism & Hate invites everyone for an afternoon of music, activities, raffles, food vendors, special guests and more. *For questions, donations, or to become a vendor, email the Northside Coalition.*

Sunday, 8/4; 9am - 5pm

CAMBr Meltdown, Pulaski Woods, Willow Springs

The CAMBr Meltdown is Chicagoland's premiere mountain biking event, with racing for all ages and abilities. *Free for spectators.*

Friday - Saturday, 8/9 - 8/10; 5pm - 12pm

Family Campouts, Camp Reinberg, Palatine

Introduction to camping for families. Includes meals, all camping gear and outdoor fun. *\$75/family (group up to 6). Registration required.*

Friday, 8/9; 3pm - 7pm

Branch Out and Read Fest, Thatcher Woods, River Forest

Enjoy fun nature activities with a literary connection. Call 708-366-6530 to learn which libraries are participating and how to earn a free ticket to attend. *Registration required.*

Friday, 8/9; 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Follow the Drinking Gourd, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

Learn about this African American folk song, its connection to the Underground Railroad, and explore the night sky with telescopes.

Saturday, 8/10; 8am - 12pm

All about Fishing, Green Lake Woods, Calumet City

Join us for a fun day of fishing and learn about plants and animals that call Green Lake home. *All ages.*

Fishing license required for ages 16 and up.

Wednesday, 8/14; 6:30pm**Movies in the Park: Films from the Forest, Hayes Park, Chicago**

In partnership with the Chicago Park District forest fun comes to the city. Family friendly activities start at 6:30 pm, film starts at dusk. **Film:** Spiderman: Into the Spiderverse.

Thursday, 8/15; 7pm**Nature Book Club, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Join in a lively discussion of Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Kimmerer.

Friday, 8/16; 7pm - 9pm**Paddling under the Planets, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Enjoy a summer twilight paddle on our slough while enjoying a peek at the heavens. *Tandem canoes provided. Ages 18 and up.*

Friday, 8/16; 6pm - 8pm**Campfire Cooking Workshop, Camp Dan Beard, Northbrook**

Learn to make meals over a fire using cast-iron and basic camp cooking techniques. *Ages 14 and up. Registration required.*

Friday, 8/16; 8pm**Going Batty Over Bats! Night Hike, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

We'll use the latest technology to listen for the sounds of bats. Discover cool facts about these misunderstood creatures of the night.

Saturday, 8/17; 10am - 1pm**Back-to-School Community Adventure Day, Rolling Knolls, Elgin**

Say goodbye to summer with a day of adventure. Paddling, archery and more! In partnership with Hilltop Elementary School and other organizations. *Instruction and gear provided. All ages.*

Saturday, 8/17; 9am - 2pm**Hummingbird Fest, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Join us for activities, viewing and demos of how the birds are banded for tracking and research purposes.

Saturday, 8/17; 10am**Hike the Preserves: Interpretive Hike, St. Mihiel Woods, Tinley Park**

Take a hike and enjoy the natural beauty around you. *More details on the Forest Preserves website.*

Wednesday, 8/21; 4pm - 7pm**Archery101, Eggers Grove, Chicago**

Learn proper technique and bow basics from one-on-one instruction with our certified staff. *All*

equipment provided. Ages 10 and up.

Saturday, 8/24; 6:30pm - 10pm

Summer Bonfire, Camp Shabbona Woods, South Holland

Join us as we celebrate summer with a giant bonfire, nature play, artmaking, s'mores and evening hikes. We will also have a food vendor on site.

Sunday, 8/25; 11am - 2pm

Family Fish School, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Have fun with your family learning about fish and fishing with Forest Preserves' fish biologists. *Some equipment available. Registration required.*

Sunday, 8/25; 1pm

Sunflower Stroll, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills

Enjoy the sunflowers, sights, sounds and sunshine of late summer on a leisurely guided walk. Bring water, a hat and your favorite mosquito repellent.

Wednesday, 8/28; 3pm - 6pm

Play Date with the Preserves, Rubio Woods, Midlothian

Enjoy playing and exploring with natural materials.

Thursday, 8/29; 7pm - 9pm

Singing Insects, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont

Who is singing tonight? Enjoy the chorus of insects as the sun sets, learn about crickets, katydids, cicadas and grasshoppers. *Ages 12 and up. Registration required.*

Thursday, 9/5; 10:30am - 12:30pm

Nature Play Date, Dan Ryan Woods, Chicago

Enjoy playing and exploring with natural materials in a new nature play space.

Saturday, 9/7; 10am - 5pm & Sunday, 9/8; 10 am - 4 pm

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

Look back 200 years to frontier life. Enjoy food, music, crafts, reenactments, canoe races, games and more. Parking and shuttle bus from the UPS parking lot at 75th St and Willow Springs Road.

Sunday, 9/8; 12pm - 3pm

Migrating Monarchs Celebration, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Journey with the monarch butterflies as they begin their migration to Mexico. Watch live monarch butterflies being tagged and released, enjoy music, crafts, and activities. Get gardening information and learn how you can help save this butterfly. *Food available for purchase.*

Sunday, 9/8; 8:30am - 11am

ZooRunRun for the Animal Care and Conservation Fund, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

Join us for this fun race located entirely within Brookfield Zoo! The Chicago Zoological Society Animal Care and Conservation Fund is dedicated to making a difference for species across the globe and with each race entry, we will raise both awareness and funds for this great cause.

Friday, 9/13; 4pm - 7pm**Faire at the Square, Cummings Square, River Forest**

Enjoy this “creative re-use carnival” with carnival-themed games made from repurposed materials! Win prizes, learn about local plants and animals and more. *All Ages.*

Saturday, 9/14; 12pm - 3pm**Fall Nature Fest, LaBagh Woods, Chicago**

Casting lessons, hiking, a nature scavenger hunt, crafts, water experiments, and special guests from Brookfield Zoo, local outdoor retailers and food trucks. Hosted by Cook County Commissioner Bridget Degnen. *Free. All ages. Info and to register: 773-283-7873.*

Saturday, 9/14; 10am - 3pm**Archeology Day, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Join us for activities promoting better understanding and appreciation of historic Native American culture. Enjoy guided hikes, archaeology displays, traditional crafts and more.

Sunday, 9/15; 11am - 3pm**Art in Nature: Color the Preserves! Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills**

Celebrate creativity and color. Everyone can try to sculpt, paint, draw, weave and other art forms to translate the preserves through art.

Saturday, 9/21; 3pm - 9pm**Party for the Preserves, Camp Bullfrog Lake, Willow Springs**

Join us for a fun afternoon of hiking, biking and paddling for our official kick-off to public lands week in the Forest Preserves!

COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 7/23/2019

19-0336 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS meeting held on 6/25/2019

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 7/23/2019

19-0330 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation – 6/25/2019

19-0308 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Vega Tree Service Co.

19-0309 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Vega Tree Service Co.

19-0310 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION Groundskeeper Landscape Care.

19-0314 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION CPMH Construction

19-0315 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION CPMH Construction

19-0316 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION CPMH Construction

19-0307 REPORT Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures 1/1/2019 – 5/31/2019

REAL ESTATE MEETING OF 7/23/2019

19-0281 EASEMENT REQUEST, Illinois Department of Transportation (“IDOT”)