

FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY BOARD AGENDA

DECEMBER 2, 2009

COMMUNICATIONS

ITEM #1

The Forest Preserve District's Department of Resource Management is pleased to present information regarding the District's successful Mighty Acorns and High School Programs.

As of November 10, 2009, 3,605 students from 30 elementary schools and 2 home school groups Grades 4-6 are participating in the District's Mighty Acorns Program throughout the County. The objective of the Mighty Acorns Program is a curriculum developed by Naturalists and teachers using reading, writing and math skills for environmental education projects.

The District's Volunteers In Preserves (VIP) program consists of 75 Cook County high schools and 29 organizations. A total of 5,500 high school students, totaling approximately 18,500 hours of service visit the preserves and are given a variety of volunteer opportunities. Attached is a list of schools participating in the District's Mighty Acorns and High School (VIP) Programs. To be received and filed.

ITEM #2

As a prerequisite for the new environmental learning buildings at Camp Sagawau and Little Red School House, that are currently being constructed to be in compliance with the certification requirements as designated by the United States Green Building Council's (USGBC) Leadership in Energy and Educational Design (LEED), it is recommended that a policy be adopted to "Prohibit on-property smoking within 25 feet of entries, outdoor air intakes and operable windows" at these two facilities. The required distance as defined by USGBC is 25 feet. Approval is recommended.

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ITEM #3

On September 5, 2007 your Honorable Body approved a contract in the amount of \$5,690,000.00 with The Lombard Company to construct the 13,000 square foot Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, an approved SB83 project. Construction started October 15, 2007 and it is anticipated that construction will be completed by December 4, 2009.

At this time, The Lombard Company has submitted a request for an additional \$176,590.00 for work arising in connection with the new water and sewer lines installed by the Village of Lemont for use by the Sagawau Environmental Learning Center. The District's Planning and Development Department, as well as its consultants for this project, McDonough Associates, Inc., have reviewed this request.

It is proposed that The Lombard Company contract be revised to reflect the additional work performed, the increased costs associated with the project, and the additional funds in the amount of \$176,590.00 due to the Lombard Company.

Funding source: Capital Improvement Account 098009-670061

To be referred to the Finance Committee.

SURPLUS PURCHASE AGREEMENT

ITEM #4

On September 23, 1985, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County via Public Act #84-867, received authorization from the State Legislature to offer 27 of the 30 surplus properties for sale with the monies to accrue to the District's Real Estate Acquisition Fund.

The District recently concluded negotiations for the sale of one of the parcels approved for sale by the State Legislature, Surplus Parcel 15. Surplus Parcel 15 is a 0.31 acres +/- (13,574.33 square feet +/-) tract of land located at 3140 Des Plaines River Road in River Grove, IL. Surplus Parcel 15 is not contiguous with or connected to any other District property.

It is respectfully requested that the District be authorized to sell Surplus Parcel 15 for \$244,337.40 to MKK Partnership, Inc., the owner of a parcel of land that abuts Surplus Parcel 15. A copy of the Purchase Agreement is attached. Approval is recommended.

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JOINT PURCHASING AGREEMENT

ITEM #5

Requesting that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to purchase 6 (six) John Deere Rotary Mowers in a Joint Purchasing Agreement with the General Services Administration (GSA) contract GS-06F0083S. Not to exceed \$105,000.00.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

ITEM #6

Requesting that the District be authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Palos Heights, Village of Palos Park, and the Village of Alsip for Phase II Engineering of the west end of the Cal Sag Trail, and to disburse payment of \$96,834.00 to Palos Heights in accordance with the Intergovernmental Agreement. Approval is recommended.

Funding source: Construction & Development Accounts 588000-620040 and 598000-620040

COOPERATIVE SERVICE AGREEMENT

ITEM #7

Permission is requested to renew the Cooperative Service Agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in order to continue ongoing Integrated Wildlife Damage Management activities. This District wide project will be conducted as part of a continuing ecosystem management program throughout 2010. The amount of funding for this project is \$350,000.00.

Funding source: Capital Improvement-Restoration Landscape Account

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RESOLUTIONS

ITEM #8

SPONSORS

THE HONORABLE TODD H. STROGER, PRESIDENT, WILLIAM M. BEAVERS, JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, BRIDGET GAINER, ELIZABETH ANN DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOSEPH MARIO MORENO, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, ANTHONY J. PERAICA, EDWIN REYES, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT B. STEELE AND LARRY SUFFREDIN, FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4-1(A), THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY SHALL HOLD REGULAR MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AN ANNUAL CALENDAR ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD; AND

WHEREAS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2.02 OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, EVERY PUBLIC BODY SHALL GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH CALENDAR OR FISCAL YEAR AND SHALL STATE THE REGULAR DATES, TIMES AND PLACES OF SUCH MEETINGS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

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ITEM #8 (cont'd)

1. THAT THE BOARD OF FOREST PRESERVE COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY SHALL HOLD ITS REGULAR MEETINGS AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD ON THE FOLLOWING DATES DURING 2009:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2010

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2010

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2010

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2010

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2010

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2010

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2010

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2010

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2010

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2010

2. THAT THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE ABOVE SPECIFIED MEETINGS IS 10:00 O'CLOCK A.M., LOCAL TIME AND THE PLACE IS THE COUNTY BOARD ROOM, ROOM 569, 118 NORTH CLARK STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602.

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ITEM #9

Commissioner Timothy O. Schneider submitting a resolution congratulating Motorola's Global Day of Service, October 14, 2009, in conjunction with the Friends of the Parks

WHEREAS, Motorola, a Schaumburg-based corporation, celebrated a successful Community Service project on October 14, 2009 in the Busse Woods Forest Preserve as part of its Global Day of Service for its employees throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Motorola worked with Friends of the Parks and the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to improve and restore the Busse Woods Forest Preserve; and

WHEREAS, Motorola demonstrated significant commitment by including advanced training for the group leaders and by sponsoring a web page dedicated to their service event; and

WHEREAS, nearly 400 Motorola employees provided 1200 hours of work in Busse Woods; and

WHEREAS, Motorola volunteers cleared Busse Woods of accumulated litter and debris, removing over 150 bags of trash from the woods and the lagoon edges; and

WHEREAS, Motorola volunteers removed hundreds of feet of invasive Buckthorn that had been crowding out native tree species in Busse Woods Forest Preserve.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County recognize and commend the Motorola Corporation for its continued dedication to the Forest Preserve District and to community service in Cook County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be provided to the Motorola Corporation and to Friends of the Parks.

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COMMUNICATION

ITEM # 10

SUBMITTING FOR APPROVAL, A LIST OF DESIGNATED HOLIDAYS FOR THE 2010 CALENDAR YEAR.

COMMITTEE REPORT

ITEM #11

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Forest Preserve District is set for January 6, 2010.