



## **Fort Sheridan –Committee of the Whole Meeting**

*Jan. 30, 2009*

Lake County Forest Preserve Commissioners met as a Committee of the Whole on January 30, 2009 to discuss the future of the Fort Sheridan Preserve and the possible construction of a golf course at the site. The meeting reviewed the history of the site since the Army announced closure in 1989 of the Fort Sheridan base and the activities of the Forest Preserve since it received title to the property in 2002.

The six-hour meeting included public comment and a report from a consultant contracted by the Forest Preserve District presenting results of a market and economic feasibility analysis for a golf course at Fort Sheridan.

The Board discussed four possible options for the Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve:

1. A golf course constructed and operated by a private concessionaire.
2. An 18-hole golf course constructed in accordance with the previously approved 2003 Master Plan.
3. Using the land for open space and preservation with no golf course.
4. Rebuilding a golf course with a similar quality as the course previously on the site.

During the discussion, board members offered little support for the option of a private concessionaire constructing and operating the Fort Sheridan golf course and they were divided on the other three options.

The Board anticipates the discussion will continue in a Committee of the Whole meeting in March. Watch this site for further details.

The Board is continuing to take public comment on the issue. Submit written comments to the District at [Fort@LCFPD.org](mailto:Fort@LCFPD.org). Your letter must include your full name and mailing address in order to be included with the formal public record.