Lake County Forest Preserve District Operations Committee Meeting Minutes - Monday, January 9, 2023

The Operations Committee of the Lake County Forest Preserve District met On Monday, January 9, 2023, at the District's General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois.

- 1.0 Call to Order Chair Vealitzek called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- **2.0** Roll Call Committee Secretary Gragnani called the roll and six committee members responded: Jessica Vealitzek, Chair, Mary Ross Cunningham, Vice Chair, Jennifer Clark, Sara Knizhnik, Adam Schlick, and John Wasik. Absent: Michael Danforth.

Also Present:

Angelo D. Kyle, President Mary Kann Julie Gragnani Alex Ty Kovach Steve Neaman Matt Norton, Corporate Counsel Mike Tully Nan Buckardt Sandy Mevers John Nelson Rebekah Snyder Paul Frank (Zoom) Randy Seebach Nick Spittlemeister Ann Maine (Zoom) Pati Vitt Tamela Lockett Lisa Roberts (Zoom) John Tannahill

- Pledge of Allegiance Chair Vealitzek led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4.0 Addenda to the Agenda None
- **Approval of Minutes -** Motion by member Cunningham, second by member Clark to approve minutes from the October 31, 2022 meeting. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously and the minutes were circulated for signatures.
- **6.0** Public Comment None

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- **7.0 Executive Director Comments** Executive Director Ty Kovach presented his report and responded to questions on:
 - Feedback requested on the layout of the meeting room for board meetings;
 - Construction of the new net-zero energy Ryerson Education Facility is 65% complete;
 - Have approved 21 "Buckthorn-Free" garden flag applications from residents;
 - Social media update, including the email newsletter sent out in October; the Facebook account recently reached 20,000 followers; The winter issue of Horizons is now available;
 - North Shore Gas pledged \$150,000 over 5 years to support the new Education Facility at Ryerson;
 - \$10,000 grant from ComEd to renew its support of the Science Explorers in Nature in 2023;
 - In the fourth quarter of 2022, the Preservation Foundation welcomed 155 new donors;
 - Dunn Museum attendance reached nearly 16,000 visitors in 2022;
 - Color and Light exhibition received more than 1,600 views during its six-week run;
 - The environmental educators have seen an increase in the number of programs that include a stewardship component.
- **8.0** Correspondence None
- 9.0 Unfinished Business None
- 10.0 New Business
- 10.1 Recommend approval of a Resolution approving disposal of surplus equipment, furnishings and other items through a public auction process Motion by member Clark, second by Vice Chair Cunningham

to approve the recommendation. Mr. Tully summarized the recommendation and Director John Nelson responded to questions. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously and the recommendation was forwarded to the full board for approval.

- 10.2 Recommend approval of a Resolution Awarding a three-year Contract to supply Microsoft Software Licensing to Dell Marketing, LP in an amount not to exceed \$221,068.62 through an Illinois Department of Central Management Services Contract Motion by member Schlick, second by member Clark to approve the recommendation. Mr. Tully summarized the recommendation and Director Mary Kann responded to questions. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously, and the recommendation was forwarded to the Finance Committee for approval.
- 10.3 <u>Recommend approval of a Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Lake County Sheriff for Firearms Training Facility use</u> Motion by Vice Chair Cunningham, second by member Wasik to approve the recommendation. Mr. Tully summarized the recommendation and Director John Tannahill responded to questions. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously and the recommendation was forwarded to the full board for approval.
- 10.4 <u>Recommend approval of a Resolution approving a three-year Enterprise License Agreement for Geographical Information System (GIS) Software to Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., in the Contract Price of \$237,500.00. Motion by member Clark, second by Vice Chair Cunningham to approve the recommendation. Director Randy Seebach summarized the recommendation for a three-year agreement and Information Technology Officer Debbie Boness responded to questions. Executive Director Kovach added information regarding how GIS fits with the District's Strategic Plan. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously, and the recommendation was forwarded to the Finance Committee for approval.</u>
- 11.0 Miscellaneous Business Chair Vealitzek asked about using drones for deer counts. Director Pati Vitt responded and a brief discussion ensued.
- 12.0 Closed Session None
- 13.0 Potential Action Following Closed Session None
- 14.0 Adjourn With no further business, Chair Vealitzek declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

APPROVED:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>		<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
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