AGENDA

1.0 Call to Order and Roll Call - Operations Committee
2.0 Call to Order and Roll Call - Planning Committee
3.0 Call to Order and Roll Call - Finance Committee
4.0 Pledge of Allegiance
5.0 Addenda to the Agenda
6.0 Public Comment (for matters not on the Agenda)
7.0 Executive Director’s Report
8.0 Correspondence
9.0 New Business – Joint Committees:
   9.1 Review proposed 2024 Budget and recommend approval of an Ordinance amending the 10-year Capital Improvement Plan for the 2024 Budget and approving the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2024 (January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024).
10.0 New Business – Operations Committee and Finance Committee:
   10.1 Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding a Contract for Helicopter Services for the Winter Deer Count to AM Air Service in the Contract Price of $46,200.00.
11.0 New Business – Operations Committee:
   11.1 Approve a motion to (i) release certain Committee closed session minutes, (ii) retain as confidential all other Committee closed session minutes not previously released, and (iii) delete the verbatim recordings of an open session meeting, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as provided in Exhibit 1 to staff’s memo dated October 2, 2023.
11.2 Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding Contracts for Winter 2023 Woody Invasive Plant Clearing at Multiple Forest Preserves to HGS, LLC dba RES Environmental Operating Company, LLC in the Contract Price of $269,972.60; to Native Restoration Services, Inc., in the Contract Price of $68,806.30; and to Tallgrass Restoration, LLC, in the Contract Price of $89,304.80.

11.3 Recommend approval of a Resolution approving the disposal of surplus District equipment, furnishings and other items through a public auction process.

12.0 Miscellaneous Business – Operations Committee

13.0 Adjourn Operations Committee

14.0 New Business – Finance Committee:

14.1 Approve a motion to (i) release certain Committee closed session minutes, (ii) retain as confidential all other Committee closed session minutes not previously released, and (iii) delete verbatim recordings of certain open sessions and closed sessions of meetings, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as provided in Exhibit 1 to staff’s memo dated October 2, 2023.

14.2 Invoices and Requisitions

14.3 Recommend approval of an Ordinance Setting Forth the Annual Appropriations for the Lake County Forest Preserve District for the Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

14.4 Recommend approval of an Ordinance Providing for the Levy of Taxes for the Lake County Forest Preserve District for the Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

14.5 Recommend approval of an Ordinance Adding Personnel Policy 4.13 - Paid Leave; and approve the Procedures section of Personnel Policy 4.13.

14.6 Approve amendments to the Procedures section of Personnel Policy 4.2 - Vacation Leave.

15.0 Miscellaneous Business – Finance Committee

16.0 Closed Session

17.0 Potential Action Following Closed Session

18.0 Adjourn – Finance Committee

19.0 New Business – Planning Committee:

19.1 Approve Minutes of August 28, 2023 – open and closed session

19.2 Approve a motion to (i) release certain Committee closed session minutes, (ii) retain as confidential all other Committee closed session minutes not previously released, and (iii) delete verbatim recordings of certain open sessions and closed sessions of meetings, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as provided in Exhibit 1 to staff’s memo dated October 2, 2023.

19.3 Recommend approval of a Resolution to purchase an approximately 3-acre parcel in Newport Township, known as the County of Lake, Trustee property for $1.00, as an addition to Wadsworth Savanna Forest Preserve.

20.0 Miscellaneous Business

21.0 Closed Session

22.0 Potential Action Following Closed Session

23.0 Adjournment

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