

## **FOREST PRESERVE LAND ACQUISITION / ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE**

### **Thursday, January 29, 2009**

The Forest Preserve District of Kane County's Land Acquisition / Enterprise Committee meeting was held on Thursday, January 29, 2009 in the Kane County Forest Preserve District offices, 719 Batavia Avenue, Building G, Geneva, Illinois.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Tredup.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Tredup, Committee Members/Commissioners: Collins (arrived 8:53 a.m.), Hoscheit, Hurlbut (arrived 8:38 a.m.), Kudlicki, Lewis (arrived 8:35 a.m.), McConnaughay and R., Van Cleave

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Committee Member/Commissioner Vazques

**ALSO PRESENT:** Commissioners: Allan, Fahy, Ford and Kunkel; Executive Director Meyers, Finance Director Quinlan, Director of Planning and Development Culp, Director of Natural Resources Ullberg, Land Preservation Planner Springer, Attorney Kinnally, Attorney Hodge, John O'Connor (Settler's Hill Golf Course), and citizens of Kane County.

**MINUTES:** Chairman Tredup called for the minutes of the October 30, 2008 (Enterprise Committee), and the December 4, 2008 (Land Acquisition Committee) meetings to be approved.

- Motion to approve the October 30, 2008 (Enterprise Committee), and the December 4, 2008 (Land Acquisition Committee) minutes by President Hoscheit; seconded by Commissioner McConnaughay. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

**ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE:**

**GOLF COURSES REPORTS:**

Third Quarter Reports: Finance Director Quinlan reported the overall revenue for all golf courses was down slightly (\$15,707). Both courses met the minimum contract revenue. Decrease in revenue as result of shut down of courses due to severe rain storm; weekend rains; and unable to open courses in March due to snow covered ground.

- Motion to place the Third Quarter Golf Course Reports on file by Commissioner Lewis seconded by Commissioner Van Cleave. Motion carried.

**REQUEST FOR FEE INCREASE AT SETTLER'S HILL GOLF COURSE:** John O'Connor explained the last fee increase was approved in 2007. The current requested fee increase is due to increases in operating expenses, minimum wage, fuel and chemicals. This fee increase would only affect 18-hole weekend rounds of golfing scheduled before 10:00 a.m. After 10:00 a.m. golfers can use promotional discount coupons. Settler's Hill golf course offers discounted coupons in the Tribune and on their Web site. Committee reviewed the GolfVisions 2008 Market Survey. President Hoscheit stated the District has always worked with management to assist with increased operational costs.

- Motion to approve the request for Settler's Hill golf course fee increase by Commissioner Kudlicki seconded by Commissioner Van Cleave. Motion carried.

**COUGARS BASEBALL – STADIUM RENOVATION UPDATE:** Finance Director Quinlan stated stadium renovation is progressing well with 60% of the renovation complete. President Hoscheit suggested the Committee conduct a future meeting at the stadium. Commissioner Lewis requested a schedule of projected and actual progress be provided for the February 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**ICE ARENA UPDATE:** Executive Director Meyers reported the third floor remodeling (reframing walls, electrical work, painting, etc.) is moving along well. There is \$750,000 in escrow for capital projects (roof repairs, etc.) that must be spent within one year of date of closing. President Hoscheit explained renovations are to fit current use. Due to high volumes of traffic, carpeting will be replaced after hockey season. Cosmetic maintenance will be performed in spring, and it is anticipated facility will look better by June 1. Commissioner McConnaughay inquired if District receives management company financial reports. *Response:* No this is not in the contract; however, District holds a letter of credit and 3-1/2 years of security.

## **LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Chairman Tredup called for a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition.

- Motion to enter into Executive Session by Commissioner Van Cleave seconded by Commissioner Lewis.

Roll call with Committee members voting in the affirmative: Commissioners Collins, Hoscheit, Hurlbut, Kudlicki, Lewis, McConnaughay R., Tredup and Van Cleave. Motion carried.

- Motion to exit Executive Session by Commissioner Van Cleave seconded by Commissioner McConnaughay. Motion carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:45 a.m. on a motion by Commissioner Van Cleave; seconded by Commissioner McConnaughay and carried by the Committee. The next Land Acquisition/Enterprise Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2009 at the offices of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, 719 Batavia Avenue, Building G, Geneva, IL

Rose Spears  
Recording Secretary