I. Call to Order
President Jeff Wehrli called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Kendall County Board Room.

II. Roll Call
Present by roll call and constituting a quorum was: Amy Cesich, Lynn Cullick, Elizabeth Flowers, Judy Gilmour, Scott Gryder, Dan Koukol, Matt Prochaska, John Purcell, John Shaw and Jeff Wehrli.

III. Citizens to be Heard
Tony Giles, 700 Buckskin Drive, Oswego stated that he and a partner are interested in possibly renovating and using the swimming pool at Hoover Forest Preserve. A company has done a cursory inspection of the pool equipment and thought that it was shut down properly and in fairly good shape. Any costs related to renovating the pool would be paid by the partnership, while they would request that the District pay for improvements needed for utilities. Currently, the partnership is requesting that the District pay for a test of the pool equipment to see if it is in working condition. The committee requested that Mr. Giles put the proposal in writing and submit to the Forest Preserve Director.

IV. Operations Reports
A. Ellis House & Equestrian Center – Wedding season begins this Saturday and final preparations and being wrapped up. The storage container was delivered and installed, along with the limestone path connection to tent pad. Lessons and birthday party registrations picking up for summer.

B. Education Programs – School programs are nearing completion for the school year. Nature Exploration Station grand opening is this weekend. Attended Go Green Fair and Oswego Expo.

C. Grounds & Natural Resources – Parking lot, road, and trail maintenance; hazard tree removal; mulching; and mowing are highlights of the month.

D. Natural Area Volunteer Program – The volunteer workday this month was at Blackberry Trail FP, where volunteers cleared brush. Plants of Concern monitoring is set to begin shortly.

E. Reservation Report – The committee reviewed the monthly report showing facility usage at the preserves and Historic Courthouse.

F. Director Report – The Master Plan, land acquisition grants, newsletter, and finance restructure were highlights of the month.
V. Farm License Agreement
The committee reviewed the farm license agreement for the parcels farmed by Mathre. Commissioner Purcell moved to approve and forward to the full commission. Commissioner Prochaska seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote.

VI. Forest Preserve Committees Discussion
President Wehrli stated that after much discussion and thought, he is putting forward the following committee structure for the District:

- Finance Committee – Same responsibilities as current committee. Cullick (Chair), Cesich, Flowers, Gryder, Koukol are the committee members.
- Programming & Events – Will oversee items pertaining to Ellis House and to Meadowhawk Lodge. Flowers (Chair), Gilmour, Prochaska, Purcell, Wehrli are the committee members.
- Committee of the Whole – Formerly the FP Committee, this meeting will continue to be comprised of all ten commissioners and will have the same responsibilities.

Commissioner Koukol moved to approve the revised committee structure and forward to the full commission for approval. Commissioner Prochaska seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote.

VII. Master Plan Discussion
The committee reviewed and discussed sections 4 (Capital Projects) and 5 (Land Acquisition) of the draft master plan. Several changes were made to the draft. Sections 6 (Management & Administration) and 7 (Finance) will be reviewed in June and section 8 (Operations) in July. Completion and approval is likely in August.

VIII. Executive Session
No executive session was held.

IX. Other items of business
The committee briefly discussed the Kendall Township property on Legion Road that is available. There was no interest by the committee.

X. Adjournment
Commissioner Flowers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm. Commissioner Gryder seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Pettit
Director