



**FOX VALLEY PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
Serving the Fox Valley Park District  
Kane, DuPage, Kendall and Will Counties, Illinois  
**BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETINGS**  
**October 19, 2019 9:00A.M.**  
Prisco Community Center  
150 W. Illinois Avenue, Aurora

**1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

**2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

President Anderson led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

**3.0 ROLL CALL**

President Anderson directed the Board Secretary to take attendance by roll call. The following members of the Fox Valley Park District Board of Commissioners were present: Mavis Bates, Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Matt Hicks, Jr., and President Chuck Anderson. Holly Scholz joined the meeting at 9:02am, after roll call was taken. Also present: Executive Director Jim Pilmer, Department Directors Diana Erickson, Jaime Ijams, John Kramer, Dan Leahy, Jon Michael, Jeff Palmquist and David Summer; Administrative staff including Jennifer Paprocki, John Goll, Lisa Santoria, JD Ostergaard, Sandie Gilmer, Josh Barry, Krista Mulready, Renee Oakley, Christy Graser, Ivan Chambers, Tim Wagner, Holly Wiggins, Becky Harling, Jason Grzywa, Aaron Reinhart, and Jeff Logan; and guests. Attorney Hodge joined the meeting at 9:05am.

**4.0 ADDENDA TO THE AGENDA**

None presented.

**5.0 PRESENTATIONS**

**5.1 2020 Proposed Budget and Tax Levy**

**Diana Erickson presented the 2020 proposed budget for the Fox Valley Park District.**

The Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be posted for public viewing on October 25, 2019 and must remain posted for 30 days. On December 9, 2019 the Board of Commissioners will be asked to approve the 2020 budget.

The 2020 proposed budget includes:

- Proposed revenues of \$39,914,182 which includes \$22,369,279 from property taxes. This is only a 3.4% increase from 2010. Proposed revenue from programming is \$4,889,101 which is a 45% increase from 2010.
- Proposed expenses of \$39,818,512 which includes \$9,531,473 for Repairs, Maintenance and Supplies which has seen a 237% increase since 2010 due to the cost of maintenance of buildings and infrastructure that were built as a result of the 2008 referendum.
- A 31% decrease in debt service from 2010. Debt service is closely monitored by the Director of Finance and the Executive Director.
- Several projects that are contingent on funding from the State of Illinois, including Simmons Park, lake management, dog parks and improvements, and security gates.

**Diana Erickson also presented the proposed 2019 tax levy for the Fox Valley Park District.** Taxes are levied in 2019 and are payable in 2020. On December 9, 2019 the Board of Commissioners will be asked to approve the 2019 tax levy.

- The estimated tax rate for 2019 is .4803. As the assessed valuation of the District increases, the tax rate decreases.
- When measured against comparable park districts in Illinois, FVPD serves the largest population but has the lowest tax rate.
- The median home value in Aurora is \$154,600. The estimated FVPD taxes collected from the owner of a home valued at \$150,000 is \$216 per year.
- The following is a list of some of the District assets that are supported by property tax dollars:
  - 51,147 square feet of flower beds
  - 2,332 acres of land
  - 1,345 acres of turf
  - 548 acres of native plants
  - 83 soccer fields
  - 104 ball fields
  - 96 playgrounds
  - 61 shelters
  - 48 miles of trails
  - 18 building locations

**Mavis Bates made a motion to give approval to proceed with the estimated Tax Levy Ordinance posting in the amount of \$23,518,500, subject to change and final Board of Commissioner approval given on December 9, 2019.** Mary Anne Cummings seconded the motion. Roll call voting Aye: Mavis Bates, Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Matt Hicks, Jr., Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none and the Board of Commissioners unanimously approved the posting of the estimated Tax Levy Ordinance.

**6.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Mary Anne Cummings made a motion to adjourn the Budget Workshop, seconded by Al Broholm. Voice voting Aye: Mavis Bates, Al Broholm, Jerry Butler, Mary Anne Cummings, Matt Hicks, Jr., Holly Scholz, and President Chuck Anderson. Voting Nay: none and the workshop was adjourned at 10:06am.

*Respectfully submitted by:*



*Kim Nooncaster  
Board Secretary*