

To: Kendall County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners
From: David Guritz, Executive Director
RE: Executive Director Proposed Stipend and Pickerill Estate House Lease Agreement
Date: August 13, 2019

The State's Attorney's Office has completed review of the draft agreement for the lease of the Pickerill estate house to David Guritz, Executive Director. The initial lease period will be for two years, with the ability to renew the agreement annually in 1-year increments for an additional 2-years.

The goal is to open the Pickerill-Pigott Forest Preserve in 2020, with the estate house to the public within a 4-year timeframe. The renewal schedule for the lease agreement will provide the opportunity for Commission to re-evaluate renewal of the lease based on the District's needs, and can be terminated at any time with 30-day's notice by either party.

Approval of the lease will also provide additional opportunities to schedule and support volunteer work days and public tours on weekends in preparation for the 2020 opening.

The lease amount for 2019 is \$913.00 based on the KHA Housing Standards, and subject to change based on subsequent schedules.

The position description for the Executive Director of the Kendall County Forest Preserve District has been expanded to include both administrative and supervisory responsibilities of the Superintendent position, which is currently on hold due to the budget constraints forecast for FY20.

The proposed stipend is \$392.30 per pay period beginning August 23, 2019 extending through November 30, 2020. The stipend will be fully offset by the monthly rent payments payable to the District.

Recommendations:

1. Consider a motion to approve a \$392.30 biweekly stipend for David Guritz, Executive Director of the Kendall County Forest Preserve District effective August 23, 2019 through November 30, 2020.
2. Consider a motion to approve a two-year lease agreement for use of the Pickerill estate house between the Kendall County Forest Preserve District and David Guritz, Executive Director, for an initial monthly rent payment of \$913.00, subject to change in accordance with the Kendall Housing Authority Payment Standards thereafter, including payment of a \$1,000.00 security deposit.

**Kendall County Forest Preserve District
Pickerill-Pigott Forest Preserve Resident-Executive
Director House Lease Agreement**

THIS AGREEMENT ("Lease Agreement") is made and entered into this 13th day of August, 2019, by and between the Kendall County Forest Preserve District ("District"), a unit of local government, and David Guritz (referred to as "Tenant"), an individual currently residing at 3126 Solitude Lane, Aurora, Illinois 60502 regarding the Pickerill estate house, the surrounding yard, attached garage, and the storage shed, located at Pickerill-Pigott Forest Preserve 6350 A Minkler Road, Yorkville, Illinois, 60560 (hereinafter referred to as the "Residence"). For, and in consideration of the covenants and obligations contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. PURPOSE.

This Lease Agreement provides for the Tenant's possession and use of certain portion of the Residence during the Tenant's employment as Executive Director by the District. *Nothing in this Lease Agreement is intended to and/or does create a contract of employment, express or implied. Tenant's employment with the District is "at-will", which means Tenant's employment relationship may be terminated at any time, with or without cause.*

2. PROPERTY.

2.1 Leased Property. District owns certain real property and improvements consisting of the Residence. District desires to lease certain portions of the Residence to Tenant upon the terms and conditions contained herein. Tenant desires to lease certain portions of the Residence from District on the terms and conditions contained herein. The District has agreed to lease the following portions of the Residence to the Tenant: (1) the Live-in Maid's Room (bedroom), (2) the adjoining Utility Room and Washroom, (3) the Kitchen Area, and (4) the Garage Stall and Basement Storage, (collectively, "Leased Space"). A floor plan of the Residence, identifying the Leased Space, is attached as Exhibit A. The District will maintain the remainder of the Residence for District use and Tenant shall not use any of that space for personal use other than ingress and egress to the Leased Space.

2.2 Personal Property. The District and Tenant each agree that any personal property, such as equipment, furniture, or other non-fixture items, purchased by either the Tenant or the District, either prior to or during the term of this Lease Agreement shall remain the personal property of the party who furnished the funds to purchase the personal property. All personal property of the Tenant shall be removed from the Premise at the termination of this Lease Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties. Tenant specifically waive any claim of damage against the District for any personal property damaged as a result of an act of nature, including, but not limited to lightning strikes and floods. District is not responsible for providing any personal property, equipment, furniture or other non-fixture items to the Tenant.

3. TERM.

3.1 Term. The term of this Lease Agreement commences on the date of both parties' execution of this Lease Agreement and shall terminate immediately upon (a) the Tenant's separation of employment from the District; (b) the Tenant's reassignment to a different

position at the District; or (c) two (2) years after the date of both parties' execution of this Lease Agreement, whichever occurs first.

3.2 Additional Terms. The parties may agree to extend the Lease Agreement for two additional 1-year terms. Any extension agreement must be in writing, and signed by both parties.

3.3 Upon termination of the Lease Agreement, Tenant shall immediately vacate the Leased Space and shall have seven (7) calendar days to remove all personal property from the Leased Space, unless otherwise authorized and agreed to in writing by both parties. All obligations outstanding at the time of termination shall survive the Lease Agreement.

3.4 Early Termination. Either party may terminate this Lease Agreement upon providing thirty (30) calendar days written notice to the other party. Except that both parties may agree, in writing, to terminate the Lease Agreement at anytime and waive the thirty (30) days written notice.

4. RENT.

4.1 Rent. The rent for the Leased Space shall be set based on the Kendall Housing Authority KHA Payment Standards ("KHA Standards") for a one-bedroom apartment in the 60560 zip code. The 2019 KHA Standards set the rent for a one-bedroom apartment in the 60560 zip code at nine-hundred and thirteen dollars (\$913.00) per month. Therefore, the rent for the Leased Space shall be \$913.00 per month until December 31, 2019. Effective January 1, 2020, the rent shall be modified in accordance with the 2020 KHA Standards. The rent amount includes the cost of Utilities as discussed in section 12 of this Lease Agreement. The first month's rent will be prorated and paid immediately following approval of the Lease Agreement. The prorated amount for the remainder of the month of August 2019 shall be \$530.13. Thereafter, Tenant shall issue a check for the full rent amount payable to the District on the 15th of each month of the lease. Weekends and holidays do not delay or excuse Tenant's obligation to timely pay rent.

4.2 Delinquent Rent. Rent is due no later than the 15th day of each month. If not paid by the due date, rent shall be considered overdue and delinquent. If Tenant fails to timely pay any monthly rent payment, Tenant will pay District a late charge of \$25.00 per day until rent is paid in full. If the District receives the rent within two (2) calendar days of the Due Date, the District will waive the late charges for that month. Any waiver of late charges under this paragraph will not affect or diminish any other right or remedy the District may exercise for Tenant's failure to timely pay rent.

4.3. Returned Checks. In the event any payment by Tenant is returned for insufficient funds ("NSF") or if Tenant stops payment, Tenant will pay \$25.00 to District for each such check, plus late charges, as described above, which will accrue until District has **received** payment. Furthermore, District may require in writing that Tenant pay all future Rent payments by cash, money order, or cashier's check.

4.4. Order in which funds are applied. The District will apply all funds received from Tenant first to any non-rent obligations of Tenant including late charges, returned check charges, charge-backs for repairs, and brokerage fees, then to rent, regardless of any notations on a check.

5. SECURITY DEPOSIT.

5.1 Amount. Tenant shall pay the District the sum of one-thousand dollars and no cents (\$1,000.00) as security for any damage caused to the Residence during the term hereof. This security deposit must be submitted to the District with the August 2019 rent payment

5.2 Refund. Upon termination of the Lease Agreement, all funds held by the District as security deposit may be applied to the payment of accrued rent and the amount of damages that the District has suffered by reason of the Tenant's noncompliance with the terms of this Lease Agreement or with any and all federal, State, or local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and orders affecting the cleanliness, use, occupancy and preservation of the Residence.

A. Deductions.

District may deduct reasonable charges from the security deposit for:

- (1) Unpaid or accelerated rent;
- (2) Late charges;
- (3) Unpaid utilities;
- (4) Costs of cleaning, deodorizing, and repairing the Residence and its contents for which Tenant are responsible;
- (5) Pet violation charges;
- (6) Replacing unreturned keys, garage door openers, or other security devices;
- (7) The removal of unauthorized locks or fixtures installed by Tenant;
- (8) Insufficient light bulbs;
- (9) Packing, removing, and storing abandoned property;
- (10) Removing abandoned or illegally parked vehicles;
- (11) Attorney fees and costs of court incurred in any proceeding against Tenant;
- (12) Any fee due for early removal of an authorized keybox; or
- (13) Other amounts Tenant are responsible to pay under this Lease Agreement.

B. If deductions exceed the security deposit, Tenant will pay to District the excess within ten (10) calendar days after District makes written demand. The security deposit will be applied first to any non-rent items, including late charges, returned check charges, repairs, and brokerage fees, then to any unpaid rent.

6. USE OF RESIDENCE AND LEASED SPACE.

The Leased Space shall be used and occupied solely by Tenant and Tenant's immediate family. It shall be used exclusively as a private, single-family dwelling, and no part of the Leased Space or Residence shall be used at any time during the term of this Lease Agreement by Tenant or Tenants' immediate family for the purpose of carrying on any business (other than District business), profession, or trade of any kind, or for any purpose other than as a private, single-family dwelling. Tenant shall not allow any other person, other than Tenant' immediate family or transient relatives and friends who are guests of Tenant, to use or occupy the Leased Space or Residence without first obtaining District's written consent to such use or occupation. Tenant shall comply with any and all federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and orders affecting the cleanliness, use, occupancy and preservation of the Residence. Tenant understands and agrees that all residents and visitors of the Residence shall comply with the District's General Use Ordinance while on District property.

7. CONDITION OF LEASED SPACE.

7.1 Original Condition. Tenant stipulates, represents, and warrants that Tenant has examined the Leased Space, and all portion of the Residence used for ingress and egress, and it is, at the time of execution of this Lease Agreement, in good order, in good repair, and in a safe, clean and habitable condition.

7.2 Surrender Condition. Upon termination of this Lease Agreement, Tenant shall surrender the Leased Space, and all portion of the Residence used for ingress and egress, to District in good and broom-clean condition, excepting ordinary wear and tear. Tenant shall remove all of their personal property and any improvements installed by Tenant and required to be removed by the District. Tenant shall return all keys and property belonging to the District.

8. DEFAULTS & REMEDIES.

8.1 Tenant's Default. Tenant shall be in default in the event of any of the following: (a) if Tenant fails to perform any obligation to be performed by Tenant hereunder and such failure shall continue for thirty (30) calendar days after written notice by District; provided, however, if the nature of such default is such that the same cannot reasonably be cured within a thirty (30) calendar day period, then Tenant shall not be deemed to be in default if it shall commence such cure within such thirty (30) calendar day period, and, thereafter, rectify and cure such default with due diligence; or (b) if Tenant abandon or vacate the Leased Space or ceases to use the Leased Space for the stated purpose as set forth in this Lease Agreement.

8.2 Remedies in Default. In the event of a default by Tenant, District may pursue any remedies available to it at law or in equity, including injunction, at its option, without further notice or demand of any kind to Tenant or any other person. In the event of a default, the District may also immediately terminate this Lease Agreement and Tenant's right to possession of the Leased Space and recover possession of the Leased Space and remove all persons therefrom.

9. ASSIGNMENT AND SUB-LETTING.

Tenant shall not assign this Lease Agreement, or sub-let or grant any license to use the Leased Space or any part thereof without the District's prior written consent. An assignment, sub-letting, or license without the prior written consent of District or an assignment or sub-letting by operation of law shall be absolutely null and void and shall, at District's option, terminate this Lease Agreement.

10. ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Tenant shall make no structural repairs, alterations, or improvements of the Leased Space or construct any building or make any other improvements of the Leased Space without the prior written consent of District. Any and all alterations, changes, and/or improvements built, constructed, or placed on the Leased Space by Tenant shall, unless otherwise provided for by written agreement between District and Tenant, be at the Tenant's sole expense and shall become the sole property of the District and remain on the Leased Space at the termination of this Lease Agreement. At anytime during the term of this Lease Agreement, the District shall have the authority to make modifications, alterations, repairs, and improvements as it deems necessary and upon reasonable notice to Tenant.

11. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.

Tenant shall not keep at the Residence any item of a dangerous, flammable or explosive character that might unreasonably increase the danger of fire or explosion at the Residence or that might be considered hazardous or extra hazardous by any responsible insurance company.

12. UTILITIES.

12.1 Costs. District shall be responsible for arranging and paying for the following utility services: electricity (“Utilities”). Tenant is responsible for all other desired services.

12.2 Failure, Stoppage, or Interruptions. District shall not be liable for, and Tenant shall not be entitled to, any damages, abatement, or reduction in rent value by reason of any interruption or failure in the supply of utilities, including, but not limited to interruptions or failures caused by lightning strikes and floods. No failure, stoppage, or interruption of any utility or service, including but not limited to lightning strikes and floods, shall be construed as an eviction of Tenant, nor shall it relieve Tenant from any obligation to perform any covenant or agreement under this Lease Agreement. In the event of any failure, stoppage, or interruption of utilities or services, District’s shall use its reasonable efforts to attempt to restore all services promptly.

12.3 Installation of Equipment. Tenant agree that he shall not install any equipment that exceeds or overloads the capacity of the utility facilities serving the Leased Space, and that if equipment installed by Tenant requires additional utility facilities, installation of the same shall be at Tenant’ expense, but only after District’s written approval of same.

12.4 Compliance & Modifications. District shall be entitled to cooperate with the energy and water conservation efforts of governmental agencies or utility suppliers. District reserves the right from time to time to make modifications to the utility systems serving the Leased Space.

13. MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND RULES.

13.1 Maintenance Obligations. Tenant will, at their sole expense, keep and maintain the Leased Space and appurtenances in good and sanitary condition and repair during the term of this Lease Agreement and any renewal thereof. These obligations include, but are not limited to the following requirements:

- A. Not obstruct the driveways, sidewalks, courts, entry ways, stairs and/or halls, which shall be used for the purposes of ingress and egress only;
- B. Keep all windows, glass, window coverings, doors, locks and hardware in good, clean order and repair;
- C. Maintain the grounds and lawn area of the Residence, including regularly mowing the lawn.
- D. Not obstruct or cover the windows or doors;
- E. Not leave windows or doors in an open position during any inclement weather;
- F. Not hang any laundry, clothing, sheets, etc., from any window, rail, porch or balcony nor air or dry any of same within any yard area or space;

- G. Not cause or permit any locks or hooks to be placed upon any door or window without the prior written consent of District;
- H. Keep all air conditioning filters clean and free from dirt;
- I. Keep all lavatories, sinks, toilets, and all other water and plumbing apparatus in good order and repair and shall use same only for the purposes for which they were constructed. Tenant shall not allow any sweepings, rubbish, sand, rags, ashes or other substances to be thrown or deposited therein. Any damage to any such apparatus and the cost of clearing stopped plumbing resulting from misuse shall be borne by Tenant;
- J. Ensure Tenant's family and guests at all times maintain order in the Leased Space and at all places on the Residence, and shall not make or permit any loud or improper noises, or otherwise disturb other visitors and District users;
- K. Keep all radios, television sets, stereos, etc., turned down to a level of sound that does not annoy or interfere with other District users;
- L. Deposit all trash, garbage, rubbish or refuse in the locations provided at the Residence and not allow any trash, garbage, rubbish or refuse to be deposited or permitted to stand on the exterior of the Residence;
- M. Abide by and be bound by any and all rules and regulations affecting the Residence or Tenant which may be adopted or promulgated by the District's Board of Commissioners.

13.2 Mechanics Liens. Tenant shall keep the Residence free and clear of all encumbrances, mechanics liens, stop notices, demands, and claims arising from work done by or for Tenant or for persons claiming under Tenant, and Tenant shall defend District, its officers, directors, employee, and agents, including its past, present and future commissioners, elected officials, and agents, with counsel of District's choosing, indemnify and save District, its officers, directors, employee, and agents, including its past, present and future commissioners, elected officials, and agents, free and harmless from and against any claims arising from or relating to the same.

14. DAMAGE TO LEASED SPACE.

In the event the Leased Space is destroyed or rendered wholly uninhabitable by fire, storm, earthquake, or other casualty not caused by the negligence of Tenant, the District may terminate this Lease Agreement from such time except for the purpose of enforcing rights that may have then accrued hereunder. Should a portion of the Leased Space thereby be rendered uninhabitable, the District shall have the option of either repairing such injured or damaged portion or terminating this Lease Agreement. In the event that District exercises its right to repair such uninhabitable portion, such part so injured shall be restored by District as speedily as practicable.

15. ACCESS BY DISTRICT.

District and District's agents shall have the right at all reasonable times, and by all reasonable means, without notice, during the term of this Lease Agreement to enter the Leased Space for the following purposes:

- A. Inspect the Property for condition;
- B. Make repairs;
- C. Show the Property to prospective Tenant, inspectors, fire marshals, appraisers, contractors, or insurance agents;
- C. Show the Property as part of long-range planning efforts;
- D. Complete interior and exterior improvements;
- E. Exercise a contractual or statutory lien;
- E. Leave written notice; or
- F. Seize nonexempt property after default.

However, absent emergency circumstances, the District will make reasonable attempts to give Tenant at least three (3) hours' notice, prior to entering the Leased Space. If Tenant(s) fail to permit reasonable access under this Paragraph, Tenant will be in default.

16. RENTERS' INSURANCE

Tenant will maintain renters' insurance during all times the property is occupied under the terms of this Lease Agreement. Tenant will provide District with proof of renter's insurance within thirty (30) calendar days of the execution of this Lease Agreement. Tenant will promptly notify District of any modification or termination of Tenant's renter's insurance.

17. SUBORDINATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT.

This Lease Agreement and Tenant's interest hereunder are and shall be subordinate, junior, and inferior to any and all mortgages, liens, or encumbrances now or hereafter placed on the Residence by the District, all advances made under any such mortgages, liens, or encumbrances (including, but not limited to, future advances), the interest payable on such mortgages, liens or encumbrances and any and all renewals, extensions or modifications of such mortgages, liens or encumbrances.

18. ANIMALS.

THERE WILL BE NO ANIMALS PERMITTED AT THE RESIDENCE. Tenant shall not permit any animal, domesticated or maintained as pets, including mammals, reptiles, birds, fish, rodents, or insects on the property, even temporarily. If Tenant violates the pet restrictions of this Lease Agreement, Tenant will pay to District a fee of \$10.00 per calendar day, per animal for each calendar day Tenant violate the animal restrictions. District may remove or cause to be removed any unauthorized animal and deliver it to appropriate local authorities by providing at least 24-hour written notice to Tenant of District's intention to remove the unauthorized animal. District will not be liable for any harm, injury, death, or sickness to any unauthorized animal or any person as a result of the unauthorized animal. Tenant agrees to

indemnify and hold harmless District, its officers, directors, employee, and agents, including its past, present and future commissioners, elected officials and agents, for any harm, injury, death, or sickness to any unauthorized animal or any person as a result of the unauthorized animal. Tenant are responsible and liable for any damage or required cleaning to the Residence caused by any unauthorized animal and for all costs District may incur in removing or causing any unauthorized animal to be removed.

19. WATERBEDS.

THERE WILL BE NO WATERBEDS, unless authorized by a separate written Waterbed Addendum to this Lease Agreement.

20. QUIET ENJOYMENT.

Tenant, upon payment of all of the sums referred to herein as being payable by Tenant and Tenant's performance of all Tenant's agreements contained herein and Tenant's observance of all rules and regulations, shall and may peacefully and quietly have, hold, and enjoy said Leased Space for the term hereof.

21. INDEMNIFICATION.

District, its officers, directors, employee, and agents, including its past, present and future commissioners, elected officials and agents, shall not be liable for any damage or injury of or to the Tenant, the Tenant' family, guests, invitees, agents or employees, to any person entering the Leased Space, to the Leased Space itself, or to goods or equipment at the Leased Space. Tenant hereby agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless District, its officers, directors, employee, and agents, including its past, present and future commissioners, elected officials and agents, from any and all claims or assertions of every kind and nature, including claims pertaining to tax liability or obligations and any interest, penalties or taxes as a result of Tenant's failure to properly report and pay any taxes due as a result of this Agreement. Any attorney representing the District, under this paragraph, shall be approved by the Kendall County State's Attorney, and shall be appointed a Special Assistant State's Attorney. The District's participation in its defense shall not remove District's duty to indemnify, defend, and hold the District harmless.

22. FORCE MAJEURE.

Neither party will be responsible to the other for damage, loss, injury, or interruption of work if the damage, loss, injury, or interruption of work is caused solely by conditions that are beyond the reasonable control of the parties, and without the intentional misconduct or negligence, of that party (hereinafter referred to as a "force majeure event"). To the extent not within the control of either party, such force majeure events include: acts of God, acts of any governmental authorities, fire, explosions or other casualties, vandalism, and riots or war. A party claiming a force majeure event ("the claiming party") shall promptly notify the other party in writing, describing the nature and estimated duration of the claiming party's inability to perform due to the force majeure event. The cause of such inability to perform will be remedied by the claiming party with all reasonable dispatch.

23. EXPENSES AND COSTS.

Should it become necessary for District to employ an attorney to enforce any of the conditions or covenants hereof, including the collection of rentals or gaining possession of the Leased Space, Tenant agree to pay all expenses and costs incurred by the District, including, but not limited to the District's reasonable attorneys' fees.

24. RECORDING OF LEASE AGREEMENT.

Tenant shall not record this Lease Agreement on the Public Records of any public office. In the event that Tenant shall record this Lease Agreement, this Lease Agreement shall, at District's option, terminate immediately and District shall be entitled to all rights and remedies that it has at law or in equity.

25. GOVERNING LAW.

This Lease Agreement shall be governed, construed, and interpreted by, through and under the Laws of the State of Illinois. The parties agree that the venue for any legal proceedings between them shall be the Circuit Court of Kendall County, Illinois, Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, State of Illinois.

26. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this Lease Agreement or the application thereof shall, for any reason and to any extent, be invalid or unenforceable, neither the remainder of this Lease Agreement nor the application of the provision to other persons, entities or circumstances shall be affected thereby, but instead shall be enforced to the maximum extent permitted by law.

27. BINDING EFFECT.

The covenants, obligations and conditions herein contained shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the heirs, legal representatives, and assigns of the parties hereto.

28. DESCRIPTIVE HEADINGS.

The descriptive headings used herein are for convenience of reference only and they are not intended to have any effect whatsoever in determining the rights or obligations of the District or Tenant.

29. NON-WAIVER.

No delay, indulgence, waiver, non-enforcement, election or non-election by District under this Lease Agreement will be deemed to be a waiver of any other breach by Tenant, nor shall it affect Tenant's duties, obligations, and liabilities hereunder.

30. MODIFICATION.

The parties hereby agree that this document contains the entire agreement between the parties and this Lease Agreement shall not be modified, changed, altered, or amended in any way except through a written amendment signed by all of the parties hereto.

31. NOTICE.

Any notice required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Lease Agreement shall be duly given if sent by fax, certified mail, or courier service and received. In the case of District, notice shall be given to Judy Gilmour, President of the Kendall County Forest Preserve, 110 West Madison Street, Yorkville, Illinois, 60560, fax (630) 553-4023, with copy sent to: Kendall County State's Attorney, 807 John Street, Yorkville, Illinois, 60560, fax (630) 553-4204 and, in the case of Tenant, notice shall be given to David Guritz at the Leased Space.

32. APPROVAL.

This Lease Agreement is contingent on, and subject to approval by a majority of the Kendall County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners.

As to District this 13th day of August, 2019.

DISTRICT:

Sign: _____
Judy Gilmour, President

Print: _____ Date: _____

Attest: _____
Matt Kellogg, Secretary

As to Tenant, this 13th day of August, 2019.

TENANT:

Sign: _____

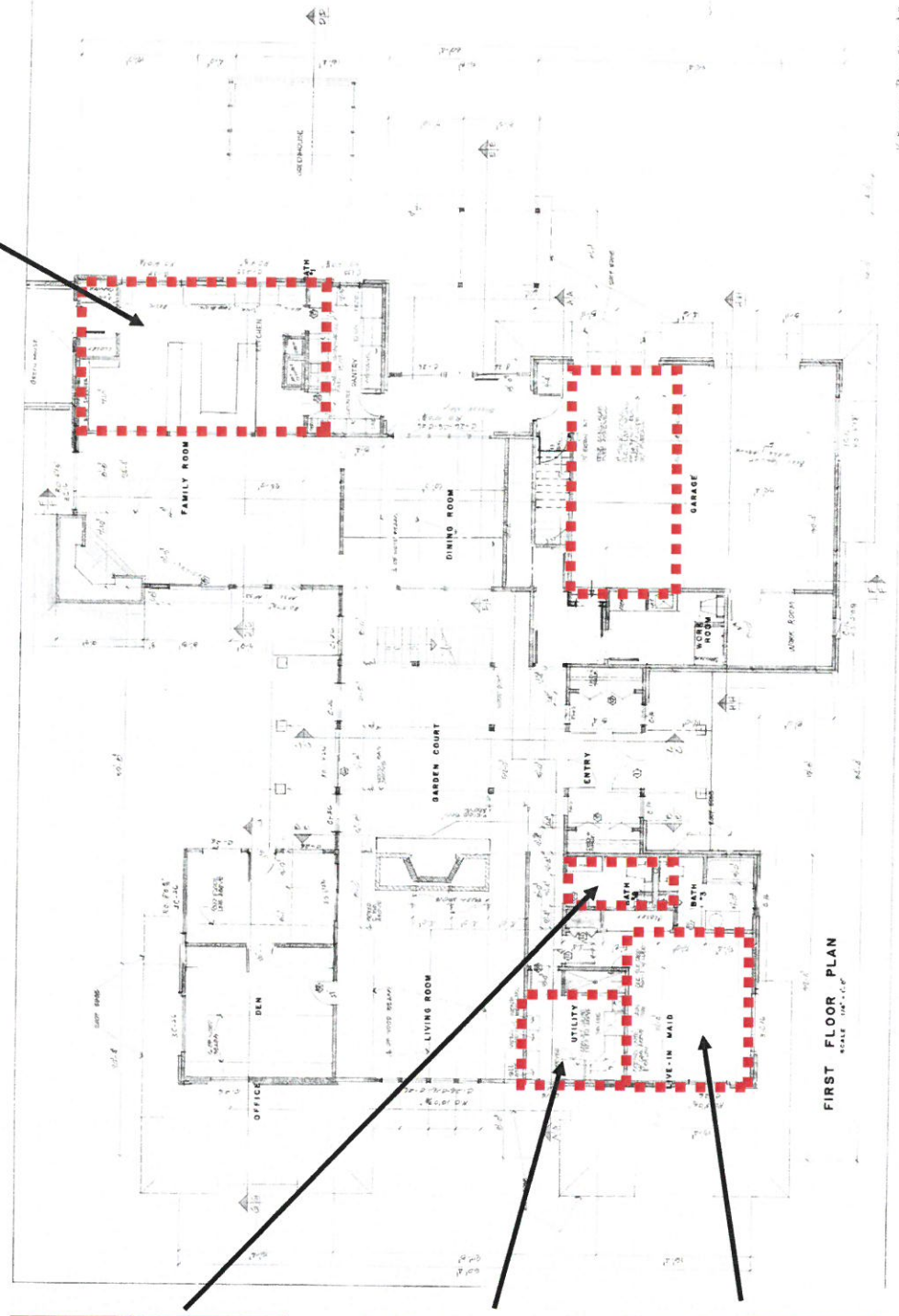
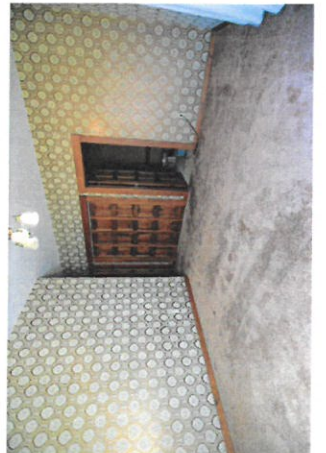
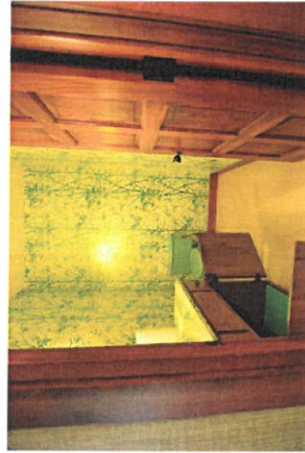
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Pickerill –Pigott Forest Preserve
Resident Lease Agreement

Exhibit A—Leased Areas of the Pickerill Estate House

Leased Areas are Limited To:

- Live-In Maid's Room (Bedroom)
- Adjoining Utility Room and Washroom
- Kitchen Area
- Garage Stall and Basement Storage



To: Kendall County Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners
From: David Guritz, Executive Director
RE: Fox River Bluffs Restoration Project Updates –
IDNR Habitat Fund and/or Pheasant Habitat Funding Opportunity
Date: August 13, 2019

IDNR Habitat Fund – IDNR Illinois Pheasant Fund Grant Opportunities

The District has received notifications of funding opportunities for both IDNR Habitat Fund and Pheasant Habitat Funding for fall 2019. The deadlines for submission is August 19, 2019, and August 23, 2019, respectively.

The 100-acre cropland conversion of Fox River Bluffs Forest Preserve is on track for completion in winter/spring 19-20.

District staff recommends applying to both programs for a \$30,000 grant, including a commitment of \$30,000 in District matching funds to complete restoration project activities.

Notification of status of award is anticipated in October 2019, which will provide sufficient time to complete the initial cover crop planting and broadcast seeding.

A motion to authorize submission of a \$30,000 grant request to the IDNR State Pheasant Advisory Committee is included on the Special Call Commission agenda. This motion will need to be amended to include concurrent submission to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Habitat Fund to maximize opportunities to receive support funding.

The District's application is automatically withdrawn by the IDNR from consideration if award is granted under either funding opportunity.

Recommendation (amended motion):

Consider a motion to authorize submission of a \$30,000.00 grant request to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources – Habitat Fund and State Pheasant Fund for support of the cropland conversion, prairie and reforestation project at Fox River Bluffs Forest Preserve, including a commitment of \$30,000 of District matching funds.

Kendall County Forest Preserve District

Fall 2019 Children's Program Series

Toddling Naturalist

Toddling Naturalist is a program geared for 1-3 year olds. We will explore the natural world through a variety of activities. Each monthly program includes a combination of nature hikes, stories, songs, games, or crafts.

Ages: 1-3 years old plus caregiver

Location: Hoover Forest Preserve
Eagle's Nest Pavilion

Time: 10-11 am

Price: \$5 per child

September 18– Terrific Trees

Register by September 16

October 16– Special Spiders

Register by October 14

November 13– Fantastic Fall

Register by November 11

Babes in the Woods

Babes in the Woods is a hour-long program for 4-6 year olds. Children will discover the wonders of nature through stories, nature hikes, crafts, songs, or games. Every month we will explore a different theme.

Ages: 4-6 years old plus caregiver

Location: Hoover Forest Preserve
Eagle's Nest Pavilion

Time: 1-2 pm

Price: \$5 per child

September 27– Terrific Trees

Register September 25

October 18– Special Spiders

Register by October 16

November 15– Fantastic Fall

Register by November 13

Outdoor Explorers

Outdoor Explorers is a program geared for 6-10 year olds. Each month we will explore a different theme as we hike, create crafts, meet animals, play games, and make new friends!

Ages: 6-10 years old plus caregiver

Location: Hoover Forest Preserve
Eagle's Nest Pavilion

Time: 4:30-5:30 pm

Price: \$5 per child

September 10– Terrific Trees

Register by September 6

October 8– Special Spiders

Register by October 4

November 12– Fantastic Fall

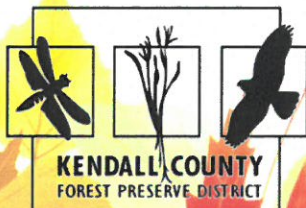
Register by November 8

To register and pay* for a program:

Call Emily at 630-553-2292
or email
edombrowski@co.kendall.il.us

*If a class does not meet its minimum enrollment, it will be cancelled at least two days prior to the event.

Early registration prevents cancelled classes!



Kendall County Forest Preserve District Fall 2019 Programs

Family Programs

TBD- Campfire Cooking

Food tastes better when it's cooked outside! Come and learn how to make delicious food around the campfire with regular household items!

Ages: All Ages

Location: Hoover Forest Preserve
Eagle's Nest Pavilion

Time: 4-6 pm

Price: \$10/person

Register by TBD

October 26– Creatures of the Night

"Creatures of the Night" combines the make-believe, fun of Halloween with the beauty of nighttime nature to create an event that is fun for the whole family.

Ages: All Ages

Location: Hoover Forest Preserve– Eagle's Nest Pavilion

Time: 5:30-7 pm

Price: \$5 per person

Register by October 23

To register and pay* for a program:

Call Emily at 630-553-2292
or email
edombrowski@co.kendall.il.us

*If a class does not meet its minimum enrollment, it will be cancelled at least two days prior to the event.

Early registration prevents cancelled classes!



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