

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

PRESS RELEASE

**Public Input Meeting
Tuesday, August 28, 2018
6pm**

Farm on SE corner of Yorkhouse and Cashmore Roads

Waukegan, IL (August 9, 2018) – The Waukegan Park District will hold a public input meeting to discuss the future use of the farm property at the Southeast corner of Yorkhouse and Cashmore Roads on Tuesday, August 28 beginning at 6pm. The public is invited to attend and share ideas with the Board of Commissioners about how to use the property. It is anticipated the property will be redeveloped sometime in the future and the purpose of this meeting is to discuss how the property might be used then and in the interim. For more information, please contact Tim Girmscheid, Manager of Park Planning Services at tgirmscheid@waukeganparks.org or 847-360-4755.

About the Waukegan Park District

Established on December 26, 1916, the district has 50 properties and more than 736 acres of land, including the 18-hole Bonnie Brook and 9-hole Greenshire Golf Courses. Properties are managed to the highest environmental and conservation standards. Facilities operated by the district include the Field House Sports, Fitness and Aquatics Center, the Jack Benny Center for the Arts, the Waukegan's Greg Petry SportsPark, the Waukegan Skate Park, the Waukegan BMX Track, recreational centers, disc golf course, dog exercise area and agility course, outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, playgrounds, and sports courts including basketball, tennis and pickleball. A full range of programs and services are offered year round for all ages, from infants to seniors as well as special needs populations. Healthy lifestyles, wellness initiatives, and a connection with the outdoors and nature are integrated throughout programs, services, and special events. Cultural events are provided by the Waukegan Symphony Orchestra and Concert Chorus, and the Waukegan History Museum. There is something for everyone! The award-winning District employs 62 full-time and over 230 part-time, year round, seasonal, and temporary employees. The District is a member of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD), and Illinois Park and Recreation Association (IPRA). The district maintains national accreditation from the NRPA Commission for

Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA), Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) Distinguished Agency accreditation and Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA) accreditation and maintains a Level A Loss Control Program. The district was a NRPA Gold Medal Finalist in 2012 and 2013, and awarded the NRPA National Gold Medal Award for Excellence in Park and Recreation Management in 2013.

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