

Minutes of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Held on February 7, 2023

1. In attendance were Commissioner Schwartz, Stewart, Yartzak, McIlwain, Executive Director Schneider, Secretary Witt and Merry Blake. Remotely Aaron Gold of Speer Financial and TJ Whitmer. Absent: Commissioner Collin.
2. The meeting was called to order by President Yartzak at 6:30 P.M. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: McIlwain.
3. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve the meeting agenda for the February 7, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Yartzak.
4. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2023, Bond Issue Notification Act Public Hearing. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Yartzak.
5. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Freeport Park District. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Yartzak.
6. On a motion by Commissioner Schwartz and second by Commissioner Stewart to receive and place on file the reports. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Yartzak.
7. Executive Director Schneider presented for review and discussion of the Tentative Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for the 2023-24 fiscal year to be made available for public inspection.
8. Executive Director Schneider presented for review and discussion of potential applications for a Recreation Trails Program (RTP) and Illinois Snowmobile (Snow) grant through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.
9. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner McIlwain to accept the bids submitted for General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023, as presented by Speer Financial. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye; McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz, Aye; Yartzak.
10. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve Ordinance 23-2-7A: An Ordinance providing for the issue of \$655,580 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2023, for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the Park District, to provide the revenue source for the payment of certain outstanding bonds of the Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to State Bank, Freeport, Illinois. Roll Call Vote: Aye; Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Yartzak.
11. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner McIlwain to approve the 2023 recreation facility fees and hours as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz, Aye Yartzak.
12. On a motion by Commissioner McIlwain and second by Commissioner Stewart to approve the payment of \$16,500 to the Jane Addams Trail Commissioner for annual trail maintenance. Roll Call Vote: Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Yartzak.

13. On a motion by Commissioner McIlwain and second by Commissioner Stewart to approve Ordinance 23-2-7B authorizing the sale or conveyance of certain personal property. Roll Call Vote: Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Yarzak.
14. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner McIlwain to approve the bid submitted by Nicam Construction in the amount of \$962,745 to construct a miniature golf course in Krape Park and authorize a change order deduction in the amount of \$58,358. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Yarzak.
15. On a motion by Commissioner Schwartz and second by Commissioner McIlwain to reject the bid submitted by Bocker Auto Group in the amount for \$43,097.59 for the ¾ ton pickup truck. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Schwartz, Aye; McIlwain, Aye: Stewart, Aye; Yarzak.
16. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to go into closed session at 7:03 P. M. for the purpose of the Board discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to 4 ILCS 120 Section 2 (c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye Schwartz, Aye; McIlwain, Aye: Yarzak.
17. The board met in closed session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to 5 ILCS 120 Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
18. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner McIlwain to approve a discretionary retirement payment to Curt Schroder in the amount of \$1,725.30. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz, Aye; Yarzak.
19. On a motion by Commissioner Schwartz and second by Commissioner Stewart to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 P. M. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Stewart, Aye; McIlwain, Aye: Yarzak.

George Yarzak, President
Vickie Witt, Secretary