

Minutes of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting held on December 5, 2023

1. In attendance were Commissioner Petersen, Yartzak, Schwartz, Stewart, McIlwain, Executive Director Schneider, Secretary Witt. Remote: Merry Blake.
2. The meeting was called to order by President Schwartz at 6:30 P.M. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Petersen, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain.
3. On a motion by Commissioner Yartzak and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve the meeting agenda for the December 5, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Yartzak, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
4. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Yartzak to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2023, Regular meeting of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: McIlwain, Aye; Petersen, Aye: Schwartz.
5. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to receive and place on file the reports. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
6. Executive Director Schneider presented for review and discussion of update to the Employee Handbook.
7. Executive Director Schneider presented for review and discussion update to Chapter V, Section 14 of the General Rules & Regulations Ordinance: Smoking on Park District Property.
8. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Yartzak to approve the proposed update to Section 2.02 of the Policy and Procedure Manual. Board Meeting Agenda Format. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Schwartz.
9. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Yartzak to approve the proposed update to Section 2.06 of the Policy and Procedure Manual. Seating of elected Commissioners and Slating of Officers. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Schwartz.
10. On a motion by Commissioner McIlwain and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve the 2024 regular meeting schedule of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: Aye McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen.
11. On a motion by Commissioner McIlwain and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve Ordinance #23-12-5 for the annual levy of taxes for the year 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz.
12. On a motion by Commissioner McIlwain and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve Ordinance #23-12-5A: An Ordinance abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2023 to pay debt service on General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2021B of the Freeport Park District, Stephenson County, Illinois. Roll Call Vote; Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz, Aye; Yartzak, Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen.
13. On a motion by Commissioner Schwartz and second by Commissioner McIlwain to approve the proposal submitted by Fehr Graham in the amount of \$13,500 to conduct a structural, electrical and environmental assessment of the Koeing Amphitheater in Krape Park. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Schwartz, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: Stewart.

14. On a motion by Commissioner McIlwain and second by Commissioner Petersen to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 PM. Roll Call Vote: Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Yartzak, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Stewart.

Debbie Schwart, President

Vickie Witt, Secretary