

## Minutes of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting

Held on February 20, 2024

1. In attendance were Commissioners Schwartz, McIlwain, Petersen, Stewart, Executive Director Schneider, Secretary Witt, Superintendent Cubberley, Manager Hartman, Merry Blake, Remotely Aaron Gold and Kathryn OConnor. Absent: Commissioner Yarzak.
2. The meeting was called to order by President Schwartz at 6:30 P.M. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Petersen, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain.
3. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve the meeting agenda for the February 20, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
4. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting of the Freeport Park District Board of Commissioners. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
5. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve the bills for February 2024 totaling \$489,584.05 including \$105,843.50 in payroll and \$383,740.55 in vouchers. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain.
6. 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: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
7. Kathryn O'Connor of HR Source presented a salary benchmark analysis for full time positions.
8. Aaron Gold presented the bids for the General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024.
9. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to accept the bids submitted for General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds Series 2024 as presented by Speer Financial. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
10. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve Ordinance 24-2-20: An ordinance providing for the issue of \$587,660 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2024, of the District for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District, to provide the revenue source for the payment of certain outstanding bonds of the 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 Peoples National Bank of Kewanee, Kewanee, Illinois. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain.
11. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Schwartz to approve the low unit prices submitted in the 2024 Park Hills Golf Course fertilizer, herbicide and insecticide bid and authorize staff to execute purchase contracts. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain.
12. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve the proposal from Fehr Graham in amount not to exceed \$74,250 to provide engineering services for the construction of a bike path in Krape Park. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.

13. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner McIlwain to approve the proposal from Fehr Graham in the amount of \$10,350 to inspect two vehicle bridges in Krape Park and submit the report to the Illinois Department of Transportation. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Schwartz.
14. On a motion by Commissioner Petersen and second by Commissioner McIlwain to approve the low bid from TruGreen in the amount of \$12,141.50 to provide turf care applications at prescribed park locations. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Stewart, Aye: Schwartz.
15. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner McIlwain to approve the proposal from Rod Dietz Masonry in the amount of \$24,500 to construct a monument sign at the north entrance of Krape Park. Roll Call Vote; Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Petersen, Aye: Schwartz.
16. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve the purchase of a Ford F-250 4X4 truck from Morrow Brothers Ford through the State procurement contract in the amount of \$47,883. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
17. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve the proposal from Pizzo & Associates in the amount of \$13,195.83 for landscape restoration to a section of streambank in Read Park. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
18. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner Petersen to approve a 3-year agreement with Syndeo Networks for managed IT services and server hosting for an annual amount of \$17,011.20. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: Petersen, Aye: McIlwain, Aye: Schwartz.
19. On a motion by Commissioner Stewart and second by Commissioner McIlwain to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Stewart, Aye: McIlwain, Aye; Petersen, Aye: Schwartz.

Debbie Schwartz, President

Vickie Witt, Secretary