

FRANKFORT SQUARE PARK DISTRICT
DECENNIAL COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY
December 4, 2023

The following are Minutes of a meeting of the Frankfort Square Park District Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency, held at the Park District Administration Building, 7540 W. Braemar Lane, Frankfort, Illinois.

I. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present were: Phil Cherry, Frank Florentine, Ryan Holley, Pam Kohlbacher, Dave Macek, Denis Moore, Audrey Marcquenski, and Bonnie Roach.

Absent were: Ken Blackburn and Craig Maksymiak.

Also present was: Linda Mitchell, Recording Secretary.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Public Input

No members of the public were present.

V. Presentation of the September 21, 2023 Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency minutes.

Denis Moore made Motion 23-002 to accept the September 21, 2023 minutes as presented. Phil Cherry seconded.

Vote on Motion Ayes: Phil Cherry, Frank Florentine, Ryan Holley, Pam Kohlbacher, Audrey Marcquenski, Denis Moore, Dave Macek, and Bonnie Roach. Abstained: None. None. Nays: None. Motion carried.

VI. Review of the Second Draft of the Local Government Efficiency Report.

Committee members reviewed the list of updates and corrections that were discussed during the September 21, 2023 meeting and were added to the second draft, a copy of which was provided to each Committee Member in advance of said meeting.

Audrey Marcquenski reported that all requested updates from the previous meeting were included in the second draft.

Phil Cherry reviewed his property tax bill and concurred with the percentage shown, further noting that the rate has decreased. Ms. Marcquenski stated that the decrease is due to the retirement of the 2002 referendum.

The efficiency report will be a useful tool that staff can refer to for a myriad of reasons.

Ms. Marcquenski reported that certain government agencies, such as park districts, are required to justify their existence through the required report, and upon completion, will be forwarded to the Will and Cook County Boards.

The Park District must conduct three meetings of the Local Government Efficiency Committee, then will disband and reconvene in ten years.

Frank Florentine recommended updating the report annually to ensure the document stays current and will be helpful when this action must be addressed in 2033.

Pam Kohlbacher directed staff to add more photographs to the report.

Ms. Marcquenski stated that FOIA requests are not an efficient way to share information; however, outside of minimal legal fees and staff time, they are not cost-prohibitive. Ms. Kohlbacher further noted that due to the strong focus on transparency, information and documentation is readily accessible to the public.

Bonnie Roach is pleased with the information contained in the report and noted that we have a lot to be proud of at the Frankfort Square Park District.

VII. Old Business

No old business was discussed.

VIII. New Business

Committee members agreed to hold the third and final meeting of the Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency on January 18, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

IX. Adjournment

Ryan Holley made Motion 23-003 to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. Denis Moore seconded. Motion carried in a vote by voice.

Respectfully submitted:
Linda Mitchell