

**Ordinance**

**Year 2023**

**BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT**

**Tax Levy Ordinance**

**Ordinance No. 23-3**

**TAX LEVY ORDINANCE**

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An ordinance levying taxes in 2023 for all forest preserve purposes for BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, for the year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois:

**SECTION 1:** That the Board of Commissioners of The Byron Forest Preserve District has ascertained the total amount necessary to be raised by taxation, for the year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024.

**SECTION 2:** That the amount set forth in EXHIBIT A which is attached hereto and is incorporated herein by reference, or as much thereof as may be authorized by law, and the same are hereby levied upon all property subject to taxation within the boundaries of Byron Forest Preserve District as that property is assessed and equalized for the tax year 2023, and for such purposes and summarized for the year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024 (2023 tax year) as follows:

CORPORATE	\$ 405,000.00
ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	125,000.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE	150,000.00
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	10,000.00
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	45,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	140,000.00
AUDIT	<u>18,000.00</u>
 TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	 \$ 893,000.00

**SECTION 3:** That the amount levied for each object and purpose is placed in a separate column under the heading "Amount to be Raised by Tax Levy" as set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4:** That the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Byron Forest Preserve District shall make and file with the County Clerk of Ogle County, on or before the last Tuesday in December, a duly certified copy of this ordinance, as required by 70 ILCS 805/13 and 35 ILCS 215/8.

**SECTION 5:** That if any section, subdivision, or sentence of this ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance.

**SECTION 6:** That all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith be and the same hereby are repealed and amended.

**SECTION 7:** That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its adoption, as provided by law.

**ADOPTED** this 20th day of November, 2023, pursuant to a roll call vote by the Board of Commissioners of the Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois.

**AYES:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**APPROVED** this 20th day of November, 2023

\_\_\_\_\_  
Aaron Vincer, President

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Remhof, Secretary

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on November 20th, 2023.

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Chris Remhof, Secretary

## CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH TRUTH IN TAXATION ACT

I, Aaron Vincer, hereby certifies to the Ogle County Clerk that Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois (the "District") has complied with all provisions of Public Act 82-102, as amended, beginning the Truth in Taxation Act of the State of Illinois, with respect to the adoption of the 2023 Tax Levy as evidence by the following:

X The District levied an amount of ad valorem tax that is less than or equal to 105% of the final aggregate levy extension of the preceding year, thereby requiring no truth-in-taxation hearing.

-OR-

\_\_\_ The District levied an amount of ad valorem tax that is greater than 105% of the final aggregate levy extension of the preceding year and complied with the publication and public hearing provisions of sections 6 or 7 of the Act.

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Aaron Vincer, President

November 20th, 2023

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
                          ) SS  
COUNTY OF OGLE   )

**CERTIFICATE OF ORDINANCE AND MINUTES**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of the Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois (the "Board"), and such Secretary I am the keeper of the records and files of the Board.

I do further certify that the attached and foregoing is a true, full and complete transcript of that portion of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 20th day of November, 2023 insofar as same relates to the adoption of Ordinance No. 23-3 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE levying taxes in 2023 for all forest preserve purposes for BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS for the year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024.

A true, correct and complete copy of which said Ordinance as adopted at said meeting appears in the foregoing transcript of the minutes of said meeting.

I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board on the adoption of said ordinance were conducted openly, that the vote on the adoption of said ordinance was taken openly, that said meeting was held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and with the provisions of the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act, approved June 27, 1913, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all the provisions of said Acts and with all of the procedural rules of the Board in the conduct of said meeting and in adoption of said ordinance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my official signature and corporate seal of the Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois, at Byron, Illinois, this 20th day of November, 2023.

[SEAL]

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Secretary, Board of Commissioners  
Byron Forest Preserve District,  
Ogle County, Illinois

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
                          ) SS  
COUNTY OF OGLE   )

**FILING CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting County Clerk of the County of Ogle, Illinois, and as such official do further certify that on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, there was filed in my office a duly certified copy of Ordinance No. 23-3 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE levying taxes in 2023 for all forest preserve purposes for BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS for the year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024.

duly passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois, on the 20th day of November, 2023 and that the same had been deposited in the officials files and records of my office.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of said Ogle County, Illinois this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk of the County of Ogle, Illinois

[SEAL]

**EXHIBIT A**

**BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT**

**2023 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE**

	<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Amount to be received from other sources</u>	<u>Amount to be raised by taxes</u>
<b>CORPORATE FUND</b>			
<b>Administrative</b>			
Personnel			
Wages - Salary	\$ 124,000		
Wages - Part Time	42,000		
Seasonal	20,000		
Health Insurance	24,500		
Auto Per Diem	-		
Total Personnel	<u>210,500</u>		
Supplies			
Janitorial supplies	1,200		
Office	3,500		
Motor Fuel & Lubrication	1,500		
Hardware and Small Tools	150		
Safety Supplies	750		
Gift Shop	400		
Concession	750		
Bar Service Supplies	9,000		
Volunteer Supplies	1,000		
Total Supplies	<u>18,250</u>		
Contractual Services			
Public Notices	2,500		
Legal	7,500		
Other Professional	4,000		
Communications	22,000		
Postage	1,750		
Training & Travel	8,000		
Printing	500		
Advertising	22,000		
Natural Gas	5,000		
Electrical	14,000		
Rental Property Repairs	-		
Building Repair & Maint.	11,000		
Equipment Repair & Maint.	2,500		
Dues & Memberships	5,000		
Uniforms	1,500		
Computer Support & Repairs	17,000		
Planned Fund Reduction	166,000		
Total Contractual Services	<u>290,250</u>		
Miscellaneous	<u>15,000</u>		
Total Administrative	<u>534,000</u>		

**Board of Commissioners**

Personnel	
Supplemental Compensation	7,500
Contractual Services	
Training & Travel	2,000
Dues and Membership	5,000
Miscellaneous	13,000
Total Contractual Services	<u>20,000</u>
Total Board of Commissioners	27,500

**Heritage Farm**

Contractual Services	
Natural Gas	-
Electric	-
Total Contractual Services	<u>-</u>
Total Heritage Farm	-

**Education**

Personnel	
Wages - Salary	111,500
Wages - Part Time	55,000
Wages - Seasonal	35,000
Health Insurance	12,150
Total Personnel	<u>213,650</u>

**Supplies**

Office	500
Printing	1,000
Building & Construction	750
Grain, Feed, & Game	750
Nature Preschool	5,000
Adventure Club	1,000
Earthkeepers	1,000
Outdoor Adventure	6,000
Birthday Parties	-
Kid's Concerts	425
Halloween on the Prairie	2,500
Summer Concerts	1,500
Field Trips	450
Summer Camp	22,000
Total Supplies	<u>42,875</u>

**Contractual Services**

Professional Services	1,050
Postage	100
Training and Travel	4,250



Natural Gas	-
Electricity	500
Equipment Repair & Maint.	4,450
Dues and Membership	925
Uniforms	1,200
Heritage Farm Operating	400
Miscellaneous - Other Expense	13,200
Total Contractual Services	<u>26,075</u>
Total Education	<u>282,600</u>

**Restoration/Land Management**

Personnel	
Wages- Salary	41,500
Wages - Full Time Hourly	-
Wages - Part-Time	-
Seasonal	10,000
Health Insurance	8,500
Total Personnel	<u>60,000</u>

Supplies	
Janitorial Supplies	750
Office	1,000
Motor Fuel and Lubrication	8,000
Building and Construction	1,500
Hardware and Small Tools	1,000
Equipment Parts	3,000
Grain, Feed and Game	-
Safety	1,000
Total Supplies	<u>16,250</u>

Contractual	
Other Professional Services	6,000
Postage	-
Training and Travel	1,000
Advertising	-
Natural Gas	5,000
Electrical	9,000
Building Repair and Maintenance	5,000
Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	2,500
Equipment Repair and Maintenance	2,000
Alarm Maintenance	-
Dues and Memberships	500
Uniforms	500
Computer Repair and Support	5,000
Total Contractual	<u>36,500</u>
Total Restoration/Land Improvements	<u>112,750</u>

Total Corporate Expenditures	<u>956,850</u>	<u>361,350</u>	<u>405,000</u>
<b>ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND</b>			
Contractual Services - Employer Share	<u>125,000</u>		
Total IMRF Fund	<u>125,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>125,000</u>

**LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND**

Personnel			
Wages - Salary	75,500		
Health Insurance	14,000		
Total Personnel	<u>89,500</u>		
Contractual Services -			
Legal	-		
Insurance Premiums	46,500		
Telephone	7,860		
Drug testing	1,500		
Miscellaneous	10,500		
Total Contractual	<u>66,360</u>		
Total Liability Insurance Fund	<u>155,860</u>	<u>6,200</u>	<u>150,000</u>

**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUND**

Contractual Services -			
Unemployment Insurance	<u>10,000</u>		
Total Unemployment Insurance Fund	<u>10,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>

**WORKER'S COMPENSATION FUND**

Contractual Services -			
Worker's Compensation Insurance	<u>45,000</u>		
Total Worker's Compensation Fund	<u>45,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>45,000</u>

**SOCIAL SECURITY FUND**

Contractual Services -			
FICA & Medicare	<u>140,000</u>		
Total Social Security Fund	<u>140,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>140,000</u>

**AUDIT**

Contractual Services - Audit	<u>17,000</u>		
Total Audit Fund	<u>17,000</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>18,000</u>

**SUMMARY OF 2023 PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

Corporate Fund		\$	405,000
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund			125,000
Liability Insurance Fund			150,000
Unemployment Insurance Fund			10,000
Worker's Compensation Fund			45,000
Social Security Fund			140,000
Audit			<u>18,000</u>
Total Non-Debt Service Levy (Aggregate Levy)			<u>893,000</u>
Total 2023 Property Tax Levy		\$	<u>893,000</u>