Ordinance

Year 2025

BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

Tax Levy Ordinance

Ordinance No. 25-3

TAX LEVY ORDINANCE

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An ordinance levying taxes in 2025 for all forest preserve purposes for BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, for the year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026.

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, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026.

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 2026, and for such purposes and summarized for the year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 (2025 tax year) as follows:

CORPORATE	$ 440,000.00
ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	107,000.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE	175,000.00
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	10,000.00
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	55,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	195,000.00
AUDIT	20,000.00
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	$ 1,002,000.00

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SECTION 6: That all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith be and the same hereby are repealed and amended.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 15th day of December, 2025, 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 15th day of December, 2025

_____
Aaron Vincer, President

ATTEST:

_____
Kris Baker, Secretary

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on December 15th, 2025.

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Kris Baker, 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 2025 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

December 15th, 2025

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 15th day of December, 2025 insofar as same relates to the adoption of Ordinance No. 25-3 entitled:

> AN ORDINANCE levying taxes in 2025 for all forest preserve purposes for BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS for the year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026.

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 15th day of December, 2025.

[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 _____, 2025, there was filed in my office a duly certified copy of Ordinance No. 25-3 entitled:

> AN ORDINANCE levying taxes in 2025 for all forest preserve purposes for BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT, OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS for the year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026.

duly passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Byron Forest Preserve District, Ogle County, Illinois, on the 15th day of December, 2025 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 _____, 2025.

_____
County Clerk of the County of Ogle, Illinois

[SEAL]

EXHIBIT A

BYRON FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

2025 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE

	Amount Appropriated	Amount to be received from other sources	Amount to be raised by taxes
CORPORATE FUND			
Administrative			
Personnel			
Wages - Salary	$ 120,000		
Wages - Part Time	25,000		
Seasonal	22,000		
Health Insurance	32,000		
Auto Per Diem	-		
Total Personnel	199,000		
Supplies			
Janitorial supplies	1,200		
Office	4,500		
Motor Fuel & Lubrication	1,700		
Hardware and Small Tools	150		
Safety Supplies	750		
Gift Shop	400		
Concession	500		
Bar Service Supplies	11,000		
Volunteer Supplies	1,000		
Total Supplies	21,200		
Contractual Services			
Public Notices	3,000		
Legal	7,500		
Other Professional	1,500		
Communications	12,000		
Postage	1,700		
Training & Travel	11,000		
Printing	500		
Advertising	20,000		
Natural Gas	7,000		
Electrical	14,000		
Rental Property Repairs	-		
Building Repair & Maint.	15,000		
Equipment Repair & Maint.	2,500		
Dues & Memberships	4,000		
Uniforms	1,500		
Computer Support & Repairs	21,000		
Planned Fund Reduction	-		
Total Contractual Services	122,200		
Miscellaneous	15,500		
Total Administrative	357,900		

Board of Commissioners	
Personnel	
Supplemental Compensation	10,000
Contractual Services	
Training & Travel	5,000
Dues and Membership	5,000
Miscellaneous	22,000
Total Contractual Services	32,000
Total Board of Commissioners	42,000
Heritage Farm	
Contractual Services	
Natural Gas	-
Electric	-
Total Contractual Services	-
Total Heritage Farm	-
Education	
Personnel	
Wages - Salary	114,050
Wages - Part Time	64,000
Wages - Seasonal	32,000
Health Insurance	13,600
Total Personnel	223,650
Supplies	
Office	500
Printing	500
Building & Construction	750
Grain, Feed, & Game	750
Nature Preschool	5,000
Adventure Club	4,000
Earthkeepers	750
Outdoor Adventure	7,500
Birthday Parties	-
Kid's Concerts	425
Halloween on the Prairie	2,500
Summer Concerts	1,500
Field Trips	500
Summer Camp	30,000
Total Supplies	54,675
Contractual Services	
Professional Services	2,250
Postage	100
Training and Travel	4,250

Natural Gas	-		
Electricity	550		
Equipment Repair & Maint.	3,550		
Dues and Membership	1,150		
Uniforms	1,200		
Heritage Farm Operating	400		
Miscellaneous - Other Expense	15,200		
Total Contractual Services	28,650		
Total Education	306,975		
Restoration/Land Management			
Personnel			
Wages- Salary	44,000		
Wages - Full Time Hourly	-		
Wages - Part-Time	-		
Seasonal	8,500		
Health Insurance	10,000		
Total Personnel	62,500		
Supplies			
Janitoral Supplies	750		
Office	500		
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	15,750		
Contractual			
Other Professional Services	8,000		
Postage	-		
Training and Travel	500		
Advertising	-		
Natural Gas	5,000		
Electrical	11,000		
Building Repair and Maintenance	6,000		
Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	2,500		
Equipment Repair and Maintenance	2,000		
Alarm Maintenance	-		
Dues and Memberships	500		
Uniforms	500		
Computer Repair and Support	3,000		
Total Contractual	39,000		
Total Restoration/Land Improvements	117,250		
Total Corporate Expenditures	824,125	389,050	440,000
ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND			
Contractual Services - Employer Share	95,000		
Total IMRF Fund	95,000	500	107,000

LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND

Personnel			
Wages - Salary	75,500		
Health Insurance	8,000		
Total Personnel	83,500		
Contractual Services -			
Legal	-		
Insurance Premiums	56,000		
Telephone	9,600		
Drug testing	1,500		
Miscellaneous	16,000		
Total Contracrual	83,100		
Total Liability Insurance Fund	166,600	6,000	175,000

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUND

Contractual Services -			
Unemployment Insurance	10,000		
Total Unemployment Insurance Fund	10,000	2,000	10,000

WORKER'S COMPENSATION FUND

Contractual Services -			
Worker's Compensation Insurance	55,000		
Total Worker's Compensation Fund	55,000	1,000	55,000

SOCIAL SECURITY FUND

Contractual Services -			
FICA & Medicare	170,000		
Total Social Security Fund	170,000	100	195,000

AUDIT

Contractual Services - Audit	18,000		
Total Audit Fund	18,000	500	20,000

SUMMARY OF 2025 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Corporate Fund	$ 440,000
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	107,000
Liability Insurance Fund	175,000
Unemployment Insurance Fund	10,000
Worker's Compensation Fund	55,000
Social Security Fund	195,000
Audit	20,000
Total Non-Debt Service Levy (Aggregate Levy)	1,002,000
Total 2025 Property Tax Levy	$ 1,002,000