

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01

AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND AUTHORIZING A COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO THE DECENNIAL COMMITTEES ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY ACT

WHEREAS, the Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District (the "District") is a fire protection district duly organized under the laws of the State of Illinois (70 ILCS 705/1); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the District (the "Board") has full power pursuant to Section 6 of the Illinois Fire Rescue District Act (70 ILCS 705/6) to pass all necessary ordinances, and rules and regulations for the proper management and conduct of the business of the Board for carrying into effect the objects for which the District was formed; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly passed the Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act (the "Act"; P.A. 102-1088; 50 ILCS 70/1 *et seq.*) requiring all units of local government that levy any tax, with the exception of counties and municipalities, to establish committees by June 10, 2023, and at least once every ten (10) years thereafter, to study local efficiencies and report recommendations to the county in which the governmental unit is located; and

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the Act (50 ILCS 70/10) requires that the committee be comprised of the elected or appointed members of the governing board of the governmental unit, at least two (2) residents of the governmental unit who are appointed by the chair of the board with the advice and consent of the board, any chief executive officer or other officer of the governmental unit, and any additional members appointed by the chairperson of the committee as he or she deems appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the committee shall file a written report which summarizes its findings and includes recommendations in respect to increased accountability and efficiency with the county board in which the governmental unit is located no later than eighteen months after the formation of the committee; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Board is authorized and required to create a committee for the purpose of studying the District's accountability and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Board of Trustees of the Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District that it is in the best interests of the health, welfare and safety of the District to create a committee for the purposes set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District, Kane County, as follows:

Section One: The Board of Trustees hereby finds that all of the recitals hereinbefore stated as contained in the preamble to this Ordinance are true and correct and adopted as if set forth verbatim herein.

Section Two: The Board of Trustees of the Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District hereby creates the Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency (hereinafter, the "Committee") which shall consist of the members of the Board of Trustees, the Fire Chief, Dennis Marquis, and Abelardo Lalo Ponce.

Section Three: The Committee shall perform the requirements as set forth in the Act which shall include but not be limited to the following:

- A. Study the governmental unit's governing statutes, ordinances, rules, procedures, powers, jurisdiction, shared services, intergovernmental agreements and interrelationships with other governmental units and the State.
- B. Collect data, research and analysis to assist in the preparation of the report as required herein.
- C. Conduct at least three public meetings.
- D. Upon conclusion of each public meeting the Committee shall conduct a survey of all residents in attendance at the public meeting, soliciting input on the meeting agenda and related discussion topics.

- E. Prepare and submit a written report to the County Board within eighteen months from the date of the creation of the Committee which shall set forth recommendations for the increased accountability and efficiency of the District.

Section Four: The Committee shall hold at least three meetings within eighteen months of the adoption of this Ordinance. The Committee's meetings must comply with the Open Meetings Act. Said meetings may be conducted during Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District's regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meetings provided that separate notice of the Committee meeting is given under the Open Meetings Act, a majority of Committee members are present, and the Committee meeting is listed on the District's regular meeting's agenda.

Section Five: The Committee shall automatically be dissolved upon the submittal of the required report to the applicable County Board.

Section Six: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Section Seven: All ordinances, parts of ordinances or board actions in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section Eight: If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this ordinance is declared by a court of law to be invalid or unconstitutional, the invalidity or unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the validity of any other provisions of this Ordinance, which are hereby declared to be separable.

ADOPTED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: John Karr, Kristin LeBlanc, Jason Parthun, Jim Wegman

NAYS: ∅

ABSENT: Nick McManus



President, Board of Trustees
Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Trustees
Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF KANE)

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, John Karr, the duly qualified Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District, Kane County, Illinois, do hereby certify that attached hereto is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance entitled:

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which Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District at a meeting held on April 17, 2023. I do further certify that a quorum of said Board was present in person at said meeting, or by electronic means at said meeting, and that the Board complied with all requirements of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of April, 2023.



Secretary, Board of Trustees
Fox River and Countryside Fire Rescue District