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COUNTY CLERK

**TOWN OF FREEPORT  
TAX LEVY ORDINANCE  
May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2016**

**ORDINANCE NO. TO -2014- 01**

**TAX LEVY ORDINANCE**

An ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the **TOWN OF FREEPORT**, Stephenson County, ILLINOIS, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2015 and ending on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

**Recitals**

**WHEREAS**, Article 235 of the Illinois Township Code (codified as 60 ILCS 1/235-5, *et seq.*) (hereinafter referred to as “the Article”) authorizes all townships in the State of Illinois, including the Town of Freeport, to annually levy to raise money by multiple taxation levies upon the equalized assessment valuation of all real property within the corporate limits of the said township in order to fund the governmental functions of the said township; and

**WHEREAS**, the said Article further establishes various limits on the rates to be imposed by said townships for said purposes or declares certain rates as not to be so limited; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the TOWN OF FREEPORT has examined the financial needs of the said Town of Freeport in order to provide the services and goods as required or permitted by the laws of the State of Illinois and has determined that the following Tax Levy to be within the limitations of said Article and also to be in the best interests of the health, safety, general welfare and morals of the residents of the Town of Freeport.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Supervisor and the Town Board of Trustees of the Town of Freeport, Stephenson County, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1:** That the sum of One Million Four Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$ 1,004,450.00) is hereby levied upon all property subject to taxation within the Town of Freeport as that property is equalized and assessed, in order to meet and defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of the Town of Freeport as required by statute or voted by the people in accordance with the law, for such purposes as the General Corporate (Town) Fund, the General

Assistance Fund, the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, the Insurance Fund, the Social Security Fund and the Audit Fund, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016.

**SECTION 2:** That the amounts hereinafter set forth, or so much thereof as may be authorized by law and the same is hereby levied for such purposes as: General Corporate, General Assistance, Illinois Municipal Retirement payments, Liability Insurance, Social Security Tax, and the Annual Audits of the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, Illinois, beginning the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2015 and ending on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

**SECTION 3:** That the sum of Five Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifteen Dollars and No Cents (\$ 572,715.00) for the township taxes for the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, and State of Illinois, is hereby levied upon all the real and personal property liable to taxation within the corporate limits of the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016, upon the assessed and equalized value thereof for State and County purposes, that said sum be budgeted and set apart for the funding of the General Corporate (Town) Fund.

**SECTION 4:** That the sum of Two Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars and Eighty-Seven Cents (\$ 292,382.00) for the township taxes for the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, and State of Illinois, is hereby levied upon all the real and personal property liable to taxation within the corporate limits of the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016, upon the assessed and equalized value thereof for State and County purposes, that said sum be budgeted and set apart for the funding of the General Assistance Fund.

**SECTION 5:** That the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Forty Dollars and No Cents (\$ 51,040.00) for the township taxes for the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, and State of Illinois, is hereby levied upon all the real and personal property liable to taxation within the corporate limits of the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016, upon the assessed and equalized value thereof for State and

County purposes, that said sum be budgeted and set apart for the funding of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

**SECTION 6:** That the sum of Forty Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars and No Cents (\$ 40,434.00) for the township taxes for the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, and State of Illinois, is hereby levied upon all the real and personal property liable to taxation within the corporate limits of the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016, upon the assessed and equalized value thereof for State and County purposes, that said sum be budgeted and set apart for the funding of the Liability Insurance Fund.

**SECTION 7:** That the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Seven and No Cents (\$ 37,227.00) for the township taxes for the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, and State of Illinois, is hereby levied upon all the real and personal property liable to taxation within the corporate limits of the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016, upon the assessed and equalized value thereof for State and County purposes, that said sum be budgeted and set apart for the funding of the Social Security Fund.

**SECTION 8:** That the sum of Ten Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars and No Cents (\$ 10,652.00) for the township taxes for the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, and State of Illinois, is hereby levied upon all the real and personal property liable to taxation within the corporate limits of the TOWN OF FREEPORT, Stephenson County, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016, upon the assessed and equalized value thereof for State and County purposes, that said sum be budgeted and set apart for the funding of the Audit Fund.

**TOWN OF FREEPORT**

**TAX LEVY SUMMARY BY FUND  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2015 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2016**

<b>GENERAL CORPORATE (TOWN) FUND</b>	<b>\$572,715.00</b>
<b>GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND</b>	<b>\$292,382.00</b>
<b>ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND</b>	<b>\$51,040.00</b>
<b>LIABILITY INSURANCE FUND</b>	<b>\$40,434.00</b>
<b>SOCIAL SECURITY FUND</b>	<b>\$37,227.00</b>
<b>AUDIT FUND</b>	<b><u>\$10,652.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$1,004,450.00</b>

**SECTION 9:** That the Town Clerk of the Town of Freeport, be and is hereby directed to make and deliver to the County Clerk of Stephenson County, Illinois, in the manner provided by law, a certified copy of this Ordinance under the hand seal of the Town of Freeport and said Clerk of Stephenson County is hereby required to extend the amount levied and assessed upon the books of the Collect of the State and county taxes in accordance with the statute in such cash made and provided.

**SECTION 10:** Partial invalidity; If any section, subdivision, or sentence of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance.

**SECTION 11:** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and legal publication and due certification to the County Clerk of said Stephenson County, Illinois, by the Town Clerk of said Town of Freeport, as herein above provided.

**SECTION 12:** A certified copy of the Tax Levy Ordinance shall be filed with the County Clerk within 30 days after adoption.

**FILED** for public inspection this 23rd day of December, 2014.

**ADOPTED** this 22nd day of December, 2014, pursuant to a roll call vote of Trustees of  
the Town of Freeport, Stephenson County, Illinois as follows:

**AYES:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**NAYES:** \_\_\_\_\_


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**ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PRESENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED** this 22nd day of December, 2014.

**APPROVED:**



Patrick Sellers, Town Supervisor  
Town of Freeport, Illinois

**ATTEST:**

Barbara L. Burns

Barbara L. Burns, Town Clerk  
Town of Freeport, Illinois

**PUBLISHED** this 23st day of December, 2014.

**CERTIFICATION OF TAX LEVY ORDINANCE**

I, Barbara L. Burns, the duly elected, qualified and acting Town Clerk of the Town of Freeport, in the County of Stephenson and State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true, correct and complete copy of an ordinance of the said Town of Freeport entitled: "An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year, A.D., 2015-2016" as duly passed by the Town Supervisor and the Board of Trustees for said Town of Freeport on December \_\_, 2014, and the dates and data referred to in the Tax Levy Ordinance for the purposes therein set forth are correct. I do further certify that the attached Tax Levy Ordinance is as the same appears from the records and files of said Town of Freeport in my office remaining, and I do hereby adopt the contents of said attached Tax Levy Ordinance attached hereto by reference as if fully set forth herein. This Certification is made and filed pursuant to the requirements of 60 ILCS 1/75-20 and 35 ILCS 200/18-15 and on behalf of the Town of Freeport, Stephenson County, Illinois to provide the real estate taxes required for all Town purposes.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Town of Freeport, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, A.D., 2014.



Barbara L. Burns, Town Clerk

**FILED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2014

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Vici Otte, Stephenson County Clerk

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**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE**

**TRUTH IN TAXATION LAW, 35 ILCS 200/18-55, et seq.**

As required by Section 18-90 of the Illinois Truth-In-Taxation Law, the undersigned Town Supervisor of the Town of Freeport hereby certifies that he is the presiding officer of the Town of Freeport, Stephenson County, Illinois, and as such presiding officer, he hereby certifies that the Levy Ordinance, a copy of which is attached hereto, was adopted pursuant to, and in all respects in compliance with, the provisions of Section 18-60 through Section 18-85 of the "The Truth in Taxation Law" (35 ILCS 200/18-55, *et.seq*). I do hereby further certify that the said Levy Ordinance does not exceed more than 105% of the amount, exclusive of election costs, which has been extended or is estimated will be extended, plus any amount abated by the Town of Freeport before extension, upon the final aggregate levy of the preceding year. I do hereby certify that the following Sections of the Illinois Truth-In-Taxation Law are not applicable to the said Levy Ordinance: Sections 18-70, 18-72, 18-75, 18-80 and 18-85.

This Certificate applies to the 2015-2016 Levy.

**Date:** December 23, 2014


  
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Patrick Sellers, Town Supervisor



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**CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION**

**POSTED AND PUBLISHED** this 23rd day of December, 2014 for ten days or more time  
period ending ~~December 23~~ <sup>January 23</sup>, 2014 at Town Hall Building, 201 East Exchange Street, Freeport, Illinois.

  
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Barbara L. Burns, Town Clerk