

PARK COMMISSIONER, TRUSTEE

Park District

NOMINATION PAPERS

Petitions: Nonpartisan ([SBE Form P-4](#))

Statement of Candidacy: Nonpartisan ([SBE Form P-1A](#))

Loyalty Oath (optional): All candidates ([SBE Form P-1C](#))

Statement of Economic Interests: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. (5 ILCS 420/4A-106)

Fair Campaign Practices Act (voluntary): Filed with the State Board of Elections or the county clerk.

QUALIFICATIONS

Park Commissioner: must be a qualified elector of the park district with one-year residency in the park district preceding the election. (70 ILCS 1205/2-11)

A person is not eligible to serve as park commissioner if that person is in arrears in the payment of a tax or other indebtedness due to the park district or has been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony. (70 ILCS 1205/2-11)

Pleasure Driveway and Park District Trustees: shall be legal voters of and reside within the park district. (70 ILCS 1205/2-15)

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS

Signature requirements for general park district commissioners and pleasure driveway and park district trustees: Petition must be signed by not less than 2% of the number of ballots cast at the last election for trustee or commissioner in the district, but in no case by less than 25. (70 ILCS 1205/2-11, 2-17)

FILING DATES

December 14-21, 2020 (not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the consolidated election).

WHERE TO FILE

With the Park District Secretary.

TERM

5 Commissioners: 6-year term. (70 ILCS 1205/2-12)

7 Commissioners: 6-year term, by resolution or referendum. (70 ILCS 1205/2-10(a))

5-7 Commissioners: 4-year term, by resolution or referendum. (70 ILCS 1205/2-12(a))

Pleasure Driveway and Park District

President and 6 trustees: 4-year term. (70 ILCS 1205/2-15)

Township Park District

3 Commissioners: 6-year term. (70 ILCS 1205/2-19)

TERM BEGINS

Commissioners and Pleasure Driveway and Park District Trustees shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. (70 ILCS 1205/2-12, 2-15)

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

Reports must be filed either on paper or electronically with the State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601.

ELECTION CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

CONSOLIDATED ELECTION - APRIL 6, 2021

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| September 22, 2020 | PETITION CIRCULATION | First day to circulate petitions for independent and new political parties, as well as for nonpartisan offices (90 days before last day to file). |
| November 21, 2020 | PUBLICATION - TOWNSHIP CAUCUS | Last day the township board shall publish a notice stating the time and location of the caucus for each political party. |
| November 22, 2020 | PUBLICATION - MULTI-TOWNSHIP CAUCUS | Last day the multi-township central committee shall publish a notice stating the time and location of the caucus for each political party. |
| November 27, 2020 | PUBLICATION - MUNICIPAL CAUCUS | Last day for municipal clerk to publish notice of municipal caucus in municipalities with population over 500 (in municipalities with a population of under 500, notice shall be given by municipal clerk posting the notice in three of the most public places in the municipality). |
| December 1, 2020 | TOWNSHIP CAUCUS | Date on which the Township Caucus shall be held (in those townships which have not adopted the primary system). |
| December 2, 2020 | MULTI-TOWNSHIP CAUCUS | Date on which the Multi-township Caucus shall be held. |
| December 7, 2020 | MUNICIPAL CAUCUS | Date on which the Municipal Caucus shall be held (in municipalities under 5,000 population) which have established political parties |
| December 14, 2020 | CONSOLIDATED ELECTION CANDIDATE FILING BEGINS | First day for new political party, nonpartisan, and independent candidates to file nomination papers |
| | CAUCUS CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION | First day established political party caucus certificates of nomination may be filed in the office of the local election official. |
| December 21, 2020 | CONSOLIDATED ELECTION CANDIDATE FILING ENDS | Last day for new political party, nonpartisan, and independent candidates to file nomination papers. |
| | CAUCUS CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION | Last day established political party caucus certificates of nomination may be filed in the office of the local election official. |
| December 29, 2020 | OBJECTIONS | Last day to file objections to nominating petitions of new political party, nonpartisan, and independent candidates. |

CONSOLIDATED ELECTION - APRIL 6, 2021

CANDIDATES for Park Commissioner/Trustee offices will need the following required signatures for their petitions:

| <u>NAME OF PARK DIST:</u> | <u>2017 BALLOTS CAST:</u> | <u>SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS MINIMUM:</u> |
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| Greater Brownstown Park District | 224 | 25 |
| St. Elmo Park District | 480 | 25 |
| Vandalia Park District | 665 | 25 |

Petitions must be signed by not less than 2% of the number of ballots cast at the last election for commissioner/trustee in the district, but in no case be less than 25. (70 ILCS 1205/2-11, 2-17)

CANDIDATE CHECKLIST

- Meet **residency, age, and other qualifications** for the specific office

- File paperwork with the **SBE Campaign Disclosure division** or the **Federal Election Commission** regarding finances (if needed)

- File a notarized **Statement of Candidacy** including (but not limited to):
 - Your name
 - Your address
 - Office sought
 - Party
 - Office location (for example, the district or county)
 - Date of the election

- File a **Statement of Economic Interests receipt** (does not apply to federal offices or political party offices)

- File a **Loyalty Oath** (

- File a **Code of Fair Campaign Practices**

- File notarized **petition sheets** with the required number of signatures, numbered consecutively starting with the number "1"

- Include **Certificate of Deletions** with petitions, numbered consecutively starting with the number "1" (if applicable)

- Fill out **data entry card** (for people who file with the State Board of Elections) and place on top of nominating petition packet (does not need to be attached to packet)

- File with the appropriate** election authority (see specific office in this guide for details)

Note: This checklist is not binding and should not be construed as sufficient argument in response to any objection or legal argument. If you have further questions, you may contact the division of Election Operations at the State Board of Elections or your legal counsel.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

NONPARTISAN

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| NAME: | OFFICE: <small>A Full Term is sought, unless an unexpired term is stated here: ____ year unexpired term</small> |
| ADDRESS – ZIP CODE: | CITY, VILLAGE OR SPECIAL DISTRICT: |

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 8-8.1 or 10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
(List all names during last 3 years) (List date of each name change)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____, in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area of _____

(if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____, in the County of _____, State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein, that I am a candidate for Nomination/

Election to the office of _____ in the _____ (Name of City, Village or Special District)

to be voted upon at the election to be held on _____ (date of election) and that I am legally qualified to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for Nomination/Election to such office.

(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me, on _____
(Name of Candidate) (insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

(Notary Public's Signature)

Statement of Economic Interest

can be picked up &
filed in County Clerks
office.

ATTACH TO PETITION

10 ILCS 5/7-10.1

Suggested
Revised July, 2004
SBE No. P-1C

LOYALTY OATH
(OPTIONAL)

United States of America)
)
State of Illinois) SS.

I, _____, do swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States and the State of Illinois, that I am not affiliated directly or indirectly with any communist organization or any communist front organization, or any foreign political agency, party, organization or government which advocates the overthrow of constitutional government by force or other means not permitted under the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of this State; that I do not directly or indirectly teach or advocate the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this State or any unlawful change in the form of the governments thereof by force or any unlawful means.

(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me,
(Name of Candidate)

on _____
(insert month, day, year)

(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL)



STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS STATE OF ILLINOIS

ARTICLE 29B FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT

10 ILCS 5/29B-5. Purpose. The Legislature hereby declares that the purpose of this Article is to encourage every candidate for public office in this State to subscribe to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices. It is the intent of the Legislature that every candidate for public office in this State who subscribes to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices will follow the basic principles of decency, honesty and fair play in order to encourage healthy competition and open discussion of issues and candidate qualifications and discourage practices that cloud issues or unfairly attack opponent. (Source: P.A. 86-873.)

10 ILCS 5/29B-10. Code of Fair Campaign Practices. At the time a political committee, as defined in Article 9, files its statement of organization, the State Board of Elections, in the case of a state political committee or a political committee acting as both a state political committee and a local political committee, or the county clerk, in the case of a local political committee, shall give the political committee a blank form of the Code of Fair Campaign Practices and a copy of the provisions of this Article. The State Board of Elections or county clerk shall inform each political committee that subscription to the Code is voluntary. The text of the code shall read:

CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play that every candidate for public office in the State of Illinois has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their constitutional right to a free and untrammelled choice and the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.

THEREFORE:

- (1) I will conduct my campaign openly and publicly, and limit attacks on my opponent to legitimate challenges to his record.
- (2) I will not use or permit the use of character defamation, whispering campaigns, libel, slander, or scurrilous attacks on any candidate or his personal or family life.
- (3) I will not use or permit any appeal to negative prejudice based on race, sex, sexual orientation, religion or national origin.
- (4) I will not use campaign material of any sort that misrepresents, distorts, or otherwise falsifies the facts, nor will I use malicious or unfounded accusations that aim at creating or exploiting doubts, without justification, as to the personal integrity or patriotism of my opposition.
- (5) I will not undertake or condone any dishonest or unethical practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections or that hampers or prevents the full and free expression of the will of the voters.
- (6) I will defend and uphold the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.
- (7) I will immediately and publicly repudiate methods and tactics that may come from others that I have pledged not to use or condone. I shall take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this Code or the laws governing elections.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Illinois or chairman of a political committee in support of or opposition to a question of public policy, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

Date

Signature

Office Sought

(Print Name)

Date of Election

Name of Political Committee

