

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF:)

THE PETITION TO JOIN)
THE VILLAGE OF WILLOW SPRINGS)
TO THE TRI-STATE FIRE PROTECTION)
DISTRICT.)

No.: 2015 MC 000002

Chris Kachiroubas
CLERK OF THE
18th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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**FINAL ORDER REGARDING PETITION TO JOIN THE
TRI-STATE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PURSUANT TO 70 ILCS 705/3**

This cause coming to be heard on Petitioners' Petition to Join the Tri-State Fire Protection District Pursuant to 70 ILCS 705/3, the Court finds as follows:

A. The Illinois Fire Protection District Act, (the "Act") 70 ILCS 705/0.01 et. seq. at Section 3 provides that additional contiguous territory may be added to any fire protection district in the manner provided under the statute;

B. That under Section 3 of the Act, one percent or more of the legal voters within the limits of a proposed addition to a fire protection district may petition the court of the county in which the original formation of the fire protection district was filed, to cause the question to be submitted to the legal voters of the proposed additional territory whether the proposed additional territory shall become a part of any contiguous fire protection district;

C. That Section 3 of the Act further provides that if a majority of votes cast at the election upon the question of becoming a part of a contiguous fire protection district are in favor of becoming a part of that fire protection district and the trustees of the fire protection district

accept the ~~proposed~~ additional territory by resolution, the proposed additional territory shall be
I, **Chris Kachiroubas**, Clerk of the 18th Judicial Circuit Court, DuPage County, Illinois, do hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy as the same is an integral part of that fire protection district and shall be subject to all the benefits of
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the said Court.
service and responsibilities of the fire protection district;

DATE **APR 12 2016**



Chris Kachiroubas
CHRIS KACHIROUBAS, Clerk
By *[Signature]*
Deputy Clerk

CASE CLOSED
JUDGE'S INIT. *[Signature]*

D. That a petition containing one percent or more of the legal voters within the Village of Willow Springs, Illinois, was previously filed in the Circuit Court of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, DuPage County, to cause a question to be submitted to the legal voters of the Village of Willow Springs asking whether the Village of Willow Springs shall become a part of the Tri-State Fire Protection District;

E. That pursuant to the petition, a referendum question was placed on the ballot for the voters of the Village of Willow Springs for the March 15, 2016 primary election, whether the Village of Willow Springs should become a part of the Tri-State Fire Protection District;

F. At the March 15, 2016 election, the legal voters of the Village of Willow Springs voted in favor of joining the Tri-State Fire Protection District and assuming a proportionate share of bonded indebtedness, if any. A copy of the Official Certificate of Results from the March 15, 2016 election regarding this matter is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

G. The Trustees of the Tri-State Fire Protection District accepted the proposed additional territory, Village of Willow Springs, by Resolution at its meeting on April 11, 2016, by Resolution duly adopted, which is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The proposed annexed territory described in Exhibit C & D hereto, which includes all of the territory incorporated in, and as, the Village of Willow Springs, shall be deemed an integral part of the Tri-State Fire Protection District and subject to all of the benefits of service and responsibilities of the Tri-State Fire Protection District as of the effective date hereof as set forth in Paragraph 4 below.

2. The Petitioner shall transmit a certified copy of this Order to the County Clerk of the County of DuPage and the County of Cook, and to the Office of the State Fire Marshall.

3. The territory of the Tri-State Fire Protection District's boundaries shall extend to the far side of any adjacent highway and shall include all of every highway within the area annexed. Such highways shall be considered to be annexed even though they may not be included in the legal description set forth in the Petition to Join the Tri-State Fire Protection District previously filed.

4. This Order shall take effect and the annexation of territory shall occur immediately upon the entry of this Order on April 12, 2016, and therefore is subject to the Tri-State Protection District's 2016 property tax levy and extension pursuant to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law as annexed property under Section 18-225 of the Illinois Property Tax Code [35 ILCS 200/18-225].

Date: April 12, 2016

Entered by: Donnie M. Neaton
Presiding Judge

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