

VILLAGE OF BRADLEY

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ORDINANCE NO. O-09-24-02

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A GRANT  
TO THE BOURBONNAIS TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT**

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ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
VILLAGE OF BRADLEY

THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF Sept., 2024

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Kankakee County, Illinois this 9 day of Sept., 2024

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**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities of the Village of Bradley, Kankakee County, Illinois, have the authority to adopt ordinances and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ordinance O-09-23-06 (attached hereto as "Exhibit A"), the Village of Bradley previously approved the annexation of the property known as "Perry Farm Park" into the Village of Bradley; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 8-1-2.5 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/8-1-2.5), the Corporate Authorities of the Village are authorized to appropriate and expend funds for economic development purposes, including, without limitation, the making of grants to any to any other governmental entity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bourbonnais Township Park District currently owns and operates the property known as "Perry Farm Park", located within the Village of Bradley; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities of the Village have determined it to be necessary and desirable for the benefit of the public and the promotion of economic development within the municipality to issue a grant to the Bourbonnais Township Park District for improvements and upgrades to Perry Farm Park; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE VILLAGE OF BRADLEY, KANKAKEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PURSUANT TO ITS STATUTORY AUTHORITY, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Corporate Authorities hereby find that all of the recitals contained in the preamble to this Ordinance are true, correct, and complete and are hereby incorporated by reference hereto and made a part hereof.

**SECTION 2.** The Village of Bradley hereby approves the issuance of a grant of Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) to the Bourbonnais Township Park District, to be used to make improvements and upgrades to Perry Farm Park.

**SECTION 3.** In the event that any provision or provisions, portion or portions, or clause or clauses of this Ordinance shall be declared to be invalid or unenforceable by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such adjudication shall in no way affect or impair the validity or enforceability of any of the remaining provisions, portions, or clauses of this Ordinance that may be given effect without such invalid or unenforceable provision or provisions, portion or portions, or clause or clauses.

**SECTION 4.** That all ordinances, resolutions, motions, or parts thereof, conflicting with any of the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

**SECTION 5.** That the Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

**SECTION 6.** That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

*[Intentionally Blank]*

**PASSED** by the Board of Trustees on a roll call vote on the 9 day of SEPT., 2024.

**TRUSTEES:**

RYAN LEBRAN	Aye - <u>X</u>	Nay - <u>    </u>	Absent - <u>    </u>
BRIAN BILLINGSLEY	Aye - <u>X</u>	Nay - <u>    </u>	Absent - <u>    </u>
DARREN WESTPHAL	Aye - <u>X</u>	Nay - <u>    </u>	Absent - <u>    </u>
BRIAN TIERI	Aye - <u>X</u>	Nay - <u>    </u>	Absent - <u>    </u>
GRANT D. VANDENHOUT	Aye - <u>X</u>	Nay - <u>    </u>	Absent - <u>    </u>
GENE JORDAN	Aye - <u>    </u>	Nay - <u>    </u>	Absent - <u>X</u>

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT:**

MICHAEL WATSON	Aye - <u>0</u>	Nay - <u>0</u>	Absent - <u>0</u>
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<b>TOTALS:</b>	Aye - <u>5</u>	Nay - <u>0</u>	Absent - <u>1</u>
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**ATTEST:**

  
~~KELLI BRZA~~, VILLAGE CLERK (DEPUTY)  
KHAMSEO NELSON

**APPROVED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

  
MICHAEL WATSON, VILLAGE PRESIDENT

**ATTEST:**

  
~~KELLI BRZA~~, VILLAGE CLERK (DEPUTY)  
KHAMSEO NELSON

STATE OF ILLINOIS            )  
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COUNTY OF KANKAKEE    )

I, Kelli Brza, Village Clerk of the Village of Bradley, County of Kankakee and State of Illinois, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the attached is a true, perfect, and complete copy of Ordinance number 0-09-24-02, "AN ORDINANCE APROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A GRANT TO THE BOURBONNAIS TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT," which was adopted by the Village Corporate Authorities at a meeting held on the 9 day of SEPT., 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand in the Village of Bradley, County of Kankakee and State of Illinois, on this 9 day of SEPT., 2024.



KELLI BRZA, VILLAGE CLERK (DEPUTY)

KHAMSEO NELSON

(SEAL)



7/19/2024

Village of Bradley  
Honorable Michael Watson and Village Board  
147 S Michigan Ave  
Bradley, IL

Dear Mayor Watson,

I am writing to you in hopes of securing a grant for the Bourbonnais Township Park District. As you are aware, the Bourbonnais Township Park District has recently engaged Mix-Design, a brand development & experience design firm, to produce a Master Plan for Perry Farm. Our hope is that this Master Plan will give us a road map on how to activate our 160+ acre site by providing culture and recreation activities never seen before in our County. We plan on creating attractions not only for our residents, but our hopes are to draw families from all around Northern Illinois. Currently Perry Farm houses multiple farm animals such as goats, ponies, alpaca, chickens and even a pig! One of our main goals in the Master Plan is to build state of the art living quarters for our animals as to be able to showcase their beauty as well as become more accessible to the visiting public. Therefore, educating the public on agriculture as well as the rich history of farming in Kankakee County.

However, creating such a beautiful space is no small undertaking. Being such a small Park District, who relies mostly on property taxes, we do not have the resources to make this happen on our own. Therefore, I am reaching out to the Village of Bradley in hopes of securing financial assistance. I am requesting a grant in the amount of \$45,000 which equates to 50% of the total fee of the Mix-Design contract. This is the first step of many in making this project a reality. The Park District believes that not only will this project enrich the lives of so many, but it will also create a positive economic impact on the Village with all the visitors flocking to Perry Farm.

Thank you for your consideration and partnership in this endeavor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Zinanni", written over a horizontal line.

David Zinanni  
President  
Bourbonnais Township Park District