

YORK TOWNSHIP

Special Meeting July 9, 2021

Trustees – Chairman Richard Monroe, William Pavlick, Todd Zieja
Fiscal Officer Margaret (Peggy) Russell

Present:

Trustee, Chairman, Rick Monroe
Trustee Bill Pavlick
Fiscal Officer Peggy Russell

Also Present:

Chairman Rick Monroe called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Trustee Zieja was not able to meet due to a work conflict. Trustee Monroe stated the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the fall fire levy resolution language. The meeting is being recorded for transcription purposes only.

Trustee Monroe thanked the prosecutor's office and the auditor's office for their hard work and quick turnaround for the levy submission. Chief Jason Creamer provided information about the proposed fire levy at the last meeting. The biggest goal is to provide better service to the township. Currently members of the fire department are offsite when calls originate and must drive to the station, then leave in EMS or Fire vehicles to respond to calls. Last year in 2020, the average response time for runs was 16 minutes 45 seconds. This year we are at 17 minutes 25 seconds. In 2020 and 2021 we missed about 15% of calls which were answered by mutual aid. Saturdays, Sundays and day time hours are the most difficult response time. By adding a 1.9 mil to the current 3 mil levy he can have the salary requirements in place to start the process of having an onsite staff available at the station. Survey results turned in to the township supported increasing staffing to decrease response times and increase availability for runs. Once funding is available he would start staffing the station 6 hours per day, with the goal of having a minimum of 12 hours per day, 7 days per week. The 1.9 mil will cover the increased payroll needs, taxes, and worker's compensation. This is in addition to the current budget so we will be comfortable with the increased salary demands. Passing this levy will also will enable us to look to the future building needs. The current Fire/EMS levy is collecting at 3.00 mils so with a renew and increase of 1.9, that would be a total of 4.9 mils. According to the current Schedule B, this 3.00 mil levy yields about \$412,000 for the year. An additional 1.9 mils would add an additional \$326,200 per year of revenue, making the total at \$738,200. As for taxpayers, this renew and increase would cost them about \$66.50 more per year per \$100,000.00 of valuation. The existing 3.00 mil levy does receive the Homestead and Rollback reimbursement from the State of Ohio. If the renew/increase would pass, York Twp would still receive the State's reimbursement for the 3.00 mill original levy, however the increased portion (1.9) would not be subject to that State reimbursement. York Twp would still receive the revenue but it comes from the taxpayers, not the State. The wording of the first resolution would have resulted in two fire levies being offered in the fall. The chief suggests moving forward with one levy. If this levy passes, in future years we will only have to put one renewal on the ballot instead of trying to pass two levies every five years. If this does not pass, we can regroup and look at two levies in the spring and fall.

RESOLUTION #21-07-01 Trustee Monroe made the motion to Rescind RESOLUTION #21-06-07 for a renewal of the 3 mil with an increase of 1.9 mils with inclusive language for staffing, equipment and building needs for Fire/EMS to commence in 2022, collection

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in 2023 because the resolution did not include the proper renewal language. Second by Trustee Pavlick. Roll: Monroe, yes; Pavlick, yes.

RESOLUTION #21-07-02 Declaring it necessary to levy an additional tax above the ten mill limitation for the purpose of fire, emergency medical services and related expenses for a renewal of the 3 mil with an increase of 1.9 mils with inclusive language for staffing, equipment and building needs for Fire/EMS to commence in 2022, collection in 2023. (Attached.) Motion by Trustee Monroe, second by Trustee Pavlick. Roll: Monroe, yes; Pavlick, yes.

Motion to adjourn at 2:10 pm by Trustee Monroe, second by Trustee Pavlick. Roll: Monroe, yes; Pavlick, yes.

Richard Monroe, Chairman

Margaret Russell, Fiscal Officer

The York Township Board of Trustees, Medina County, Ohio, met in special session on July 9, 2021, commencing at 2p.m., at the York Township Complex, 6609 Norwalk Rd., Medina, Ohio, 44256 with the following members present:

William E. Pavlick

Richard M. Monroe

The Fiscal Officer advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Trustee Monroe moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 21-07-02

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AND INCREASE A YORK TOWNSHIP FIRE, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND RELATED EXPENSES LEVY.

WHEREAS, this Board finds that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of York Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of York Township, Medina County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. The amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of York Township and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten mill limitation, and:

- a. The purpose of said tax levy is for providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other related costs.
- b. The tax shall be a renewal of an existing levy at a rate of three (3) mills for each one-dollar of valuation which amounts to thirty cents (\$0.30) for each one hundred dollars of valuation and an increase of one and nine-tenths (1.9) mills for each one-dollar of valuation which amounts to nineteen cents (\$0.19) for each one dollar of valuation, for a total of four and nine-tenths (4.9) mills for each one-dollar of valuation which amounts

to forty-nine cents (\$0.49) for each one hundred dollars of valuation for a period of five (5) years.

- c. The submission of the question of said renewal levy is authorized by Sections 5705.03, 5705.19(I), 5705.191, 5705.192, and/or 5705.25 of the Revised Code.
- d. The term of the tax shall be for five (5) years (see Section 5705.19).
- e. The territory where the tax is to be levied shall be the entire territory of York Township, Medina County, Ohio.
- f. The date of the election at which the question of the tax shall appear on the ballot is November 2, 2021.
- g. The territory where the ballot measure is to be submitted is the entire territory of York Township, Medina County, Ohio.
- h. The tax year in which the tax will first be levied is 2022 and the calendar year in which the tax will first be collected is 2023.
- i. The Township has territory in Medina County and in no other county.

Section 2. This Board requests, in accordance with Section and 5705.03(B) of the Revised Code, that the Medina County Auditor certify to this Board the following:

- a. The total current tax valuation of the Township, and
- b. The dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the renewal and increase levy specified in Section 1.

Section 3. Pursuant to Section 5705.03(B)(1) the Township Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to deliver promptly to the Medina County Auditor a certified copy of this Resolution.

Section 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board or committees, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

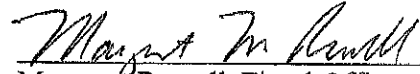
Section 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its adoption.

Trustee Pavlick seconded the motion.

Upon roll call on the adoption of the Resolution, the vote was as follows:

William E. Pavlick Yes
Richard M. Monroe Yes

Adopted the 9th day of July, 2021



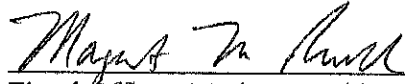
Margaret Russell, Fiscal Officer
York Township
Medina County, Ohio

FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION

The State of Ohio, Medina County, ss.

I, Margaret Russell, Fiscal Officer of York Township do hereby certify that the foregoing is taken and copied from the Record of the Proceedings of said meeting; that the same has been compared by me with the Resolution on said Record and that it is a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my signature this 9 day of July, 2021



Fiscal Officer, York Township
Medina County, Ohio