

## Special Beaver Creek Trustee's Meeting

Monday, July 18,

2016

Ms. Graff called the Special Trustee Meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. Those present were Trustees: Carol Graff, Tom Kretz, and Jeff Roberts. Legal Advisor Dawn Frick was also present. Staff present: Township Administrator/Public Safety Director Alex Zaharieff, and Road Superintendent Tim Parks.

The Purpose of this Special Meeting is to meet in Open Session to discuss possible Road and Police levies.

The Township Administrator handed out a presentation prepared by the Sherriff's Department regarding the possible Police levy. Sgt. Sean Paul presented the Power Point presentation to the Trustees regarding: the history of the Sherriff's Department interaction with the township; that the township has grown about 2,000 people since 2002 and continues to grow; the increase in the total calls of service; the total calls for service for violent crimes and non-violent crimes and how we compare to neighboring jurisdictions.

Sgt. Paul discussed several advantages taxpayers get from the Sherriff's Department, including stories demonstrating the advantages: a dedicated staff in the township at all times; same deputies assigned in the same area over an extended period of time and know the area well; because they are a dedicated staff when they change shifts they can speak to each other as to what is going on in their area, so increase in communication; a constant presence and visibility in the township; community involvement; and pro-active policing.

Discussion occurred regarding: staffing and if four deputies are sufficient. The statistics do not support doubling the number of deputies; however, if there were five deputies there would be greater coverage and flexibility for vacation. Adding another twelve hour swing shift would add potentially two deputies; adding an eight hour shift would have one deputy. Discussion occurred on what things take up most of the deputy's time and then filling the shift to address those efforts instead of increasing overall coverage. Drug abuse and addictions are some of those efforts taking up time, and seemingly not going away; therefore, devote more coverage to that effort. General discussion occurred.

Township Administrator/Public Safety Director Alex Zaharieff discussed the strict guidelines the Board of Elections has set forward for placing levies on the ballot and the first of those steps is asking the County Auditor to certify the amount or multiple amounts needed to sustain the Fund. Currently, the contract for services with the Sherriff's Department exceeds the amount we are generating. The contract covers everything for the four deputies'. The vehicles are a separate line item. Looking at the budget a new vehicle will need to be purchased next year and if we add more personnel we also add more equipment as well. We have been spending more than we are bringing in and are essentially using our carry-over to cover costs. Zoning projections show a rapid increase in growth in the township. Mr. Zaharieff presented possible amounts for the Auditor to certify and projected amounts they would incur as well as the costs associated with adding extra deputies and capital improvements. Discussion occurred regarding phasing in deputies over the course of the levy to help with managing costs.

Sgt. Paul was asked what would be the best scenario for the citizens of the township and he said having another twelve hour shift, or two deputies would be beneficial, but would leave it up to the voters of the township to decide what they want.

General discussion occurred on vehicles: what shape they are in now and what we will need for the future.

Mr. Zaharieff presented all three amounts to be certified by the Auditor, so that they could make a decision at a later meeting on which amount they would want to proceed.

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Mr. Zaharieff presented the Road renewal of 1.5 mills. General discussion occurred regarding the process of having the amount certified by the County Auditor and that the renewal will cover the projected costs of the Road Department.

**2016-302** Mr. Kretz made a motion to approve **Resolution 2016-302**, WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Beaver Creek Township have determined that it is necessary to levy a tax outside of the ten mill limitation for purposes of the general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges as authorized by Section 5705.19(G) of the Ohio Revised Code: and, WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Beaver Creek Township proposes that said tax be a renewal of 1.50 mill existing levy as authorized by Section 5705.192 of the Ohio Revised Code; and, WHEREAS, Section 5705.03(B) requires the Township to certify to the County Auditor a resolution requesting the County Auditor certify to the Township the total current tax valuation of the unincorporated area of Beaver Creek Township and the number of mills required to generate a specified amount of revenue or the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specified amount of 1.5 mills. Mr. Roberts seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Kretz, yes; Mr. Roberts, yes; and Ms. Graff, yes. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the board of Trustees, Beaver Creek Township, Greene County, Ohio that in accordance with Section 5705.03(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of Trustees of Beaver Creek Township hereby requests the Auditor of Greene County, Ohio to certify the total current tax valuation of the unincorporated area of Beaver Creek Township and the dollar amount of revenue that will be generated by renewing the current levy of 1.50 mills. It is found and determined that all formal actions of the Beaver Creek Township Board of Trustees concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in open meetings of the Beaver Creek Township Board of Trustees; and that all deliberations of the Beaver Creek Township Board of Trustees and of any of their committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**2016-303** Mr. Roberts made a motion to approve **Resolution 2016-303**, WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Beaver Creek Township have determined that it is necessary to levy a tax outside of the ten mill limitation for purposes of the purpose of providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of a police department, or the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police, communications, or administrative personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised Code, or the payment of the costs incurred by townships as a result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department by Section 5705.19(J) of the Ohio Revised Code: and, WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Beaver Creek Township proposes that said tax be a .80 mill additional levy as authorized by Section 5705.192 of the Ohio Revised Code; and, WHEREAS, Section 5705.03(B) requires the Township to certify to the County Auditor a resolution requesting the County Auditor certify to the Township the total current tax valuation of the unincorporated area of Beaver Creek Township and the number of mills required to generate a specified amount of revenue or the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specified amount of .80, .90 and 1.0 mills. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the board of Trustees, Beaver Creek

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**2016-304** Mr. Kretz made a motion to Adjourn at 12:55 P.M. Mr. Roberts seconded. Roll Call: Mr. Kretz, yes; Mr. Roberts, yes; and Ms. Graff, yes.

Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_

Fiscal Officer: \_\_\_\_\_