

**Perry Township Board of Trustees
Work Session 6:00 pm
December 18, 2018**

Call Work Session to Order:

Trustee Haines opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the Perry Township Board of Trustees Work Session meeting for December 18, 2018 with an early start time of 6:00 pm for Road Levy discussion followed by the Police Levy discussion at 6:30 pm. Trustee Haines indicated that he and Trustee Chessler, Fiscal Officer Schlegel, Law Director Hall, Road Superintendent Masalko and Police Chief Pomesky were in attendance tonight; excused absence, Trustee DeChiara.

Road Levy Discussion:

Fiscal Officer Schlegel indicated that just so the Board was aware, the valuation of the township has gone up since the last time there was discussion about doing levies. Mr. Schlegel stated that he sat down with Road Superintendent Masalko and Police Chief Pomesky to go over this information as well. Fiscal Officer Schlegel referenced the supporting documents before the Board and relayed that he has highlighted that the 1 mill brings in \$590,170.00; the cost to the homeowner is \$35.00 at \$2.92 per month.

Extensive discussion took place regarding the prospective millage amounts being considered for the Road Department levy and upcoming ballot. Road Superintendent Masalko stated that his recommendation would be a 1 mill with a 2.75 renewal.

Trustee Chessler indicated that the current 1 mill road levy is set to expire this year; we will then ask for an additional 5 mills and if that passes, we will rescind the two so there will be a 5-mill making that one levy source of funds for the Road Department. Law Director Hall stated that the way this would appear on the upcoming May primary would be an additional levy for the benefit of the Road Department in the amount of 5 mills.

Trustee Haines stated that he would recommend addressing this levy matter at the January 15, 2019 meeting. Law Director Hall verified that any proposed levy would have to have the Auditor's certification by February 8, 2019.

Police Levy Discussion:

Trustee Haines referenced the supporting documents prepared by Chief Pomesky, attached before the Board, regarding the three prospective levy millage amounts for the Police Department; 2 mills; 2.5 mill and 3 mills. Chief Pomesky indicated that his recommendation to the Board would be the 2.5 mill additional.

Trustee Haines verified the 3.49 levy that was new in 2014 and the 3.9 that was new in 1999. Extensive discussion took place regarding the prospective millage amounts being considered for the Police Department and upcoming ballot. Further discussion took place regarding the possibility of going

forward with renewing the 3.49 and 3.9 and an additional 2.5 mills. Fiscal Officer Schlegel indicated that the 2.5 mills would generate \$75,267.00; the cost to the homeowner would be \$87.50 a year for a \$100,000.00 home at \$7.29 per month.

Law Director Hall indicated that he would verify these millage amounts with the Board of Elections; further discussion would be needed at the upcoming January Board meetings for agreement of the Police Department levy millage on the upcoming May ballot.

Trustee Haines indicated that the Board would take a 10-minute recess before continuing with the Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm.