

The Board of Township Trustees of Symmes Township (Hamilton County), Ohio, met in regular session at the Township Administration Building, 9323 Union Cemetery Road, Symmes Township, Ohio, at 7:00 p.m. on April 1, 2025, with the following members present:

Trustee Jodie Leis moved for adoption of the following resolution:

SYMMES TOWNSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. G2025-19

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AN EXISTING 4.1-MILL TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING FIRE APPARATUS, APPLIANCES, BUILDINGS, OR SITES THEREOF, OR SOURCES OF WATER SUPPLY AND MATERIALS THEREOF, OR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF LINES OF FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH, OR THE PAYMENT OF PERMANENT , PART-TIME, FULL-TIME, VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS OR FIRE-FIGHTING COMPANIES TO OPERATE THE SAME, INCLUDING THE PAYMENTS OF THE FIREFIGHTERS EMPLOYER’S CONTRIBUTION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 742.34 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, OR TO PURCHASE AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT, OR TO PROVIDE AMBULANCE, PARAMEDIC, OR OTHER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OPERATED BY A DEPARTMENT OR FIREFIGHTING COMPANY AND PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING MOTOR VEHICLES, COMMUNICATIONS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT USED DIRECTLY IN THE OPERATION OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT, OR THE PAYMENT OF SALARIES OF PERMANENT POLICE PERSONNEL, INCLUDING THE

PAYMENT OF THE POLICE EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 742.33 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE OR THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS INCURRED BY TOWNSHIPS AS RESULT OF CONTRACTS MADE WITH OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IN ORDER TO OBTAIN POLICE PROTECTION, OR TO PROVIDE AMBULANCE OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OPERATED BY A POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND REQUESTING THE HAMILTON COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THAT RENEWAL, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.03 AND 5705.19(JJ) OF THE REVISED CODE.

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020 the electors of the Township approved a renewal of an existing 1.5-mill tax levy with an increase of 2.6-mill to constitute a 4.1-mill tax levy for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites thereof, or sources of water supply and materials thereof, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of the fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time, full-time, volunteer firefighters or fire-fighting companies to operate the same, including the payments of the firefighters employer's contribution required under Section 742.34 of the Ohio Revised Code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a department or firefighting company and providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of a police department, or the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police employer's contribution required under Section 742.33 of the Ohio Revised Code or the payment of the costs incurred by townships as result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, for five (5) years, commencing in tax year 2020, for first collection in calendar year 2021; and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2015 the electors of the Township approved a renewal of an existing 1.0-mill tax levy with an increase of 0.5-mill to constitute a 1.5-mill tax levy for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites thereof, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent , part-time, full-time, volunteer firefighters or fire-fighting companies to operate the same, including the payments of the firefighters employer's contribution required under section 742.34 of the Ohio revised code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a department or firefighting company and providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of a police department, or the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police employer's contribution required under section 742.33 of the Ohio revised code or the payment of the costs incurred by townships as result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, for five (5) years, commencing in tax year 2015, for first collection in calendar year 2016; and

WHEREAS, this Board finds that it is necessary to renew an existing 4.1-mill tax levy for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites thereof, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent , part-time, full-time, volunteer firefighters or fire-fighting companies to operate the same, including the payments of the firefighters employer’s contribution required under section 742.34 of the Ohio revised code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a department or firefighting company and providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of a police department, or the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police employer’s contribution required under section 742.33 of the Ohio revised code or the payment of the costs incurred by townships as result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, commencing in tax year 2025, for first collection in calendar year 2026; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 5705.03(B) of the Revised Code, in order to submit the question of a tax levy pursuant to Section 5705.19(JJ) of the Revised Code this Board must request that the Hamilton County Auditor certify the (i) total current tax valuation of the Township and (ii) dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the specified number of mills; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 5705.03(B) of the Revised Code, upon receipt of a certified copy of a resolution of this Board declaring the necessity of the tax, stating its purpose, whether it is an additional tax levy, or a renewal or a replacement of an existing tax levy, or the renewal or replacement of an existing tax levy with an increase or decrease, the Section of the Revised Code authorizing the submission of the question of the tax, the term of years of the tax (or that it is for a continuing period of time), that the tax is to be levied upon the entire territory of the Township, the date of the election at which the question of the tax shall appear on the ballot, that the ballot measure shall be submitted to the entire territory of the Township, the tax year in which the tax will first be levied and the calendar year in which it will be first collected and each county in which the Township has territory, and requesting such certification, the County Auditor is to certify the total current tax valuation of the Township and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the specified number of mills;

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

Section 1. This Board declares that (a) it is necessary to renew the Township's existing 4.1-mill ad valorem property tax outside of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites thereof, or sources of water supply and materials therefore, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent , part-time, full-time, volunteer firefighters or fire-fighting companies to operate the same, including the payments of the firefighters employer’s contribution required under section 742.34 of the Ohio revised code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a department or firefighting company and providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used

directly in the operation of a police department, or the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, including the payment of the police employer's contribution required under section 742.33 of the Ohio revised code or the payment of the costs incurred by townships as result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in order to obtain police protection, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, (b) as authorized by Section 5705.19(JJ) of the Revised Code, it intends to submit the question of that renewal tax levy to the electors of the entire territory of the Township at an election to be held on November 4, 2025 and (c) the Township has territory only in the County of Hamilton, Ohio. If approved, the 4.1-mill renewal tax levy will be levied upon the entire territory of the Township for five (5) years, commencing in tax year 2025, for first collection in calendar year 2026.

Section 2. That pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the county auditor is hereby requested to certify to this Board of Township Trustees the total current tax valuation of the Township the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the number of mills specified in Section 1 hereof, and the Fiscal Officer of the Township be and is hereby directed to certify forthwith a copy of this resolution to the county auditor at the earliest possible time so that said county auditor may certify such matters in accordance with such Section 5705.03.

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Township Trustees concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of Township Trustees, and that all deliberations of this Board of Township Trustees, and of any of its 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, and the rules of the Board of Township Trustees adopted in accordance therewith.

Section 4. Upon majority vote does hereby dispense with the requirement that this Resolution be read on two separate days and hereby authorizes the adoption of this Resolution upon its first reading.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Mr. _____ seconded the motion, and the roll being called upon the question of adoption of the resolution the vote resulted as follows:

ADOPTED APRIL 1, 2025 – RESOLUTION G2025-19

Vote Record: Mr. Beck _____ Ms. Leis _____ Mr. Bryant _____

BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES:

Jodie L. Leis, President

Philip J. Beck, Vice-President

Kenneth N. Bryant, Trustee

ATTEST:

Joseph C. Grossi, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jeff Forbes, Law Director

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the text of the foregoing resolution is taken and copied from the record of proceedings of a meeting of the Board of Township Trustees of Symmes Township held on April 1, 2025. The undersigned further certifies that the same has been compared by me with the said record and it is a true and correct copy thereof, together with a true and correct copy of excerpts from the minutes of said meeting to the extent pertinent to the consideration and adoption of said resolution.

President

RECEIPT

The undersigned hereby acknowledges on this day receipt of a certified copy of the foregoing resolution.

Dated: April 1, 2025

County Auditor
Hamilton County, Ohio