

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 November 12, 2019, with the following members present:

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Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ moved for adoption of the following resolution and  
Trustee \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion.

**RESOLUTION NO. G2019-64**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AN EXISTING 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, AND INCREASE THAT TAX LEVY BY 2.6-MILL, 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 WITH**

**AN INCREASE TAX LEVY, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.03 AND 5705.19(JJ) OF THE REVISED CODE.**

**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 the Township and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of that 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; 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 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 and increase that tax levy by 2.6-mill for five (5) years, commencing in tax year 2020, for first collection in calendar year 2021; 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. Declaration of Necessity.** This Board declares that (a) it is necessary to renew the Township's existing 1.5-mill ad valorem property tax outside of the ten-mill limitation and to increase that tax levy by an additional 2.6-mill to constitute a tax in excess of such limitation at a rate not exceeding 2.8-mill 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 with an increase tax levy to the electors of the entire territory of the Township at an election to be held on March 17, 2020 and (c) the Township has territory only in the County of Hamilton, Ohio. If approved, the 2.8-mill renewal with an increase tax levy will be levied

upon the entire territory of the Township for five (5) years, commencing in tax year 2020, for first collection in calendar year 2021.

**Section 2. Request for Certification.** This Board requests the Hamilton County Auditor to certify to it both (a) the total current tax valuation of the Township and (b) the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the 2.8-mill renewal with an increase tax levy specified in Section 1.

**Section 3. Certification and Delivery of Resolution to County Auditor.** The Township Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to promptly deliver, or cause to be promptly delivered, a certified copy of this Resolution to the Hamilton County Auditor.

**Section 4. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements.** This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken 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 those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

**Section 5. Captions and Headings.** The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit, or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

**Section 6.** 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 7. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

**Section 8.** That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**ADOPTED NOVEMBER 12, 2019 – RESOLUTION G2019-64**

Vote Record: Mr. Beck \_\_\_\_\_ Ms. Leis \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. Bryant \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES:**

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Philip J. Beck, President

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Jodie L. Leis, Vice-President

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Kenneth N. Bryant, Trustee

**ATTEST:**

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Carol A. Sims, Fiscal Officer

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Kevin McDonough, Law Director

The foregoing is a true and correct excerpt from the minutes of the meeting on November 12, 2019, of the Board of Township Trustees of Symmes Township (Hamilton County), Ohio, showing the adoption of the Resolution hereinabove set forth.

Dated: November 12, 2019

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Township Fiscal Officer  
Symmes Township (Hamilton County), Ohio