

2600 Easton St. NE  
Canton, OH 44721

May 31, 2024

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**OPENING:** The special meeting was called to order at 12:08 p.m. for Considerations of the Fire Levy Certifications

**ATTENDANCE:** Scott Haws, John Sabo, Brook Harless, Chief Shalenberger, Eric Williams, Drew Xeloures-(excused absence), Thomas Ferrara-(excused absence), Rob Steinberg-(excused absence) Thomas Wolf and Lisa Campbell

**AGENDA:** The agenda stands as presented.

**Fire Department:**

- 1. Fire Levy Renewal

#24-314 The Board of Trustees of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio met in regular session on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 2024 with the following members present:

John Sabo  
Scott Haws  
Brook Harless

Mrs. Harless moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, upon due investigation and consideration, the Board of Trustees of Plain Township has determined that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten (10) mill limitation in and for said Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, for the next five years will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements for said Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio and the Plain Township Fire Department 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 of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, by reason thereof, this Board has determined that it will be necessary for the renewal of an existing 8.7 mills levy, which is in excess of such limitation, 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 of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03(B), this Board as taxing authority for Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, is required to certify to the Stark County Auditor a resolution requesting that the Stark County Auditor certify to this Board as taxing authority for Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, the total current tax valuation of Plain Township as a subdivision, and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specific number of mills. In addition, this Board as said taxing authority of said Township is required to state the purpose of the tax, whether the tax is an additional levy or a renewal or a replacement of an existing tax and the section of the Ohio Revised Code authorizing submission of the question of

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the tax to the Stark County Board of Elections for determination provided by law. The date of the election for the consideration of this levy will be November 5, 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, as taxing authority for Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio does hereby determine that pursuant to the provisions of Section 5705.19(I) and 5705.191 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is necessary for the renewal of an existing 8.7 mills levy, outside the ten (10) mill limitation 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 of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, for five (5) years, commencing tax years 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 , first due in calendar year in calendar year 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, as taxing authority for Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, pursuant to the requirements of the Ohio Revised Code 5705.03(B) does hereby certify that the Stark County Auditor certify to this taxing authority, the total current tax valuation of Plain Township as a subdivision , and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the renewal of an existing 8.7 mills levy 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 of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, for five (5) years, commencing tax years 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 , first due in calendar year in calendar year 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the certification is for consideration of placing the renewal levy on the **November 5, 2024, General Election**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Fiscal Officer of this Board be, and hereby is, directed and authorized to certify this resolution to the Stark County Auditor pursuant to the provisions of Sections 5705.03(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, and to proceed with all things necessary to be done in order to accomplish the purpose of this resolution and the requirements of Section 5705.03(B) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Sabo seconded the motion and upon roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

John Sabo            Y

Scott Haws           Y

Brook Harless        Y

ADOPTED: May 31, 2024

2. Fire Levy Renewal and Increase

#24-315

The Board of Trustees of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio met in regular session on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 2024 with the following members present:

John Sabo  
Scott Haws  
Brook Harless

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Mr. Sabo moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, upon due investigation and consideration, the Board of Trustees of Plain Township has determined that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten (10) mill limitation in and for said Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, for the next five years will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements for said Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio and the Plain Township Fire Department 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 of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, by reason thereof, this Board has determined that it will be necessary for the renewal of an existing 8.7 mills levy with an increase of 0.5 mills, which is in excess of such limitation, 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 of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03(B), this Board as taxing authority for Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, is required to certify to the Stark County Auditor a resolution requesting that the Stark County Auditor certify to this Board as taxing authority for Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, the total current tax valuation of Plain Township as a subdivision, and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by a specific number of mills. In addition, this Board as said taxing authority of said Township is required to state the purpose of the tax, whether the tax is an additional levy or a renewal or a replacement of an existing tax and the section of the Ohio Revised Code authorizing submission of the question of the tax to the Stark County Board of Elections for determination provided by law. The date of the election for the consideration of this levy will be November 5, 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, as taxing authority for Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio does hereby determine that pursuant to the provisions of Section 5705.19(l) and 5705.191 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is necessary for the renewal of an existing 8.7 mills levy with an increase of 0.5 mills, outside the ten (10) mill limitation 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 of Plain Township, Stark County, Ohio, for five (5) years, commencing tax years 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 , first due in calendar year in calendar year 2026.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the certification is for consideration of placing the renewal and increased levy on the **November 5, 2024, General Election**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Fiscal Officer of this Board be, and hereby is, directed and authorized to certify this resolution to the Stark County Auditor pursuant to the provisions of Sections 5705.03(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, and to proceed with all things necessary to be done in order to accomplish the purpose of this resolution and the requirements of Section 5705.03(B) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Haws seconded the motion and upon roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

John Sabo	<u>Y</u>
Scott Haws	<u>Y</u>
Brook Harless	<u>Y</u>

ADOPTED: May 31, 2024

**ADJOURNMENT:**  
#24-316

Motion by Mrs. Harless,  
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Plain Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio, to adjourn at 12:10 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Sabo

MEMBER	VICE-CHAIRMAN	CHAIRMAN
Vote: Mr. Haws, Yes;	Mrs. Harless, Yes;	Mr. Sabo, Yes.

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John A. Sabo  
Trustee

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Brook Harless  
Trustee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Haws  
Trustee

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas Wolf  
Fiscal Officer