

RUSHCREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Fairfield County, Ohio

The Board of Trustees of Rushcreek Township (the "Board"), Fairfield County, Ohio (the "Township") met in regular session on JUNE 4, 2025 at 7 p.m., at Township Meeting Room, 213 Marietta Street, Bremen, Ohio with the following members present: CHAD ASHBAUGH, Chairman, JIM DOWNARD, Vice Chair and RICK MOYER, Trustee.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-09

RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A TAX OUTSIDE THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR AN RENEWAL FIRE AND EMS SERVICES LEVY AT THE NOVEMBER 4, 2025, GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board has determined 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 the necessary requirements of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is necessary to levy a tax 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; and,

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the current approved tax rate is insufficient to continue to support fire and emergency services for Rushcreek Township residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that said levy shall be a RENEWAL levy at a rate not exceeding 1.85 mills for each one dollar of valuation.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Rushcreek Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, at least two-thirds of all members concurring, in accordance with Revised Code Sections 5705.03(B) and 5705.19(I), as follows;

Section 1: That the Board determines that amount of taxes that may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of the Township and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purposes of 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.

Section 2: That the Board makes the following statements in accordance with R.C. 5705.03(B)(1):

- a. The proposed rate of tax is 1.85 mills per one dollar of valuation which would generate approximately \$53 per \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value;
- b. The purpose of the tax will be 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;
- c. The tax is a renewal levy;
- d. The tax is authorized by R.C. 5705.19(I);
- e. The term of the tax shall be for a 5 year term;
- f. The tax is to be levied upon the entire territory of the Township;
- g. The date of the election at which the question of the tax shall appear on the ballot is November 4, 2025;
- h. That the ballot measure shall be submitted to the entire territory of the Township;
- i. The tax will first be levied starting January 1, 2025, and the tax will first be collected in calendar year 2026;
- j. The Township has territory solely in Fairfield County.

Section 3: That the Rushcreek Township Trustees hereby certify to the Fairfield County Auditor this resolution and requests that the Fairfield County Auditor certify to the Rushcreek Township Trustees the total current tax valuation of the entire territory of Rushcreek Township, Fairfield County, Ohio and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the above-specified number of mills and that such certificate

thereafter be provided to the Rushcreek Township Trustees in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code 5705.03(B)(2).

Section 4: That the Fiscal Clerk or designee of Rushcreek Township is directed to certify a copy of this resolution and deliver it to the County Auditor.

Motion by Chad Ashbaugh

Seconded by Rick Moyer

The resolution be adopted this Fourth day June, 2025 was carried by the following vote:

YES: ✓-3

NO:

ABSTENTIONS:

Chad Ashbaugh

Trustee – Chad Ashbaugh

Jim Downard

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Rick Moyer

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This resolution represents a complete and accurate statement as to the actions taken by the Rushcreek Township Board of Trustees.

Attest: Lisa Burnworth

Fiscal Officer, Lisa Burnworth

