

Citizens for Springfield Township

Police Service Levy 2009

Please Vote November 3rd

Why do we need a Police Service Levy?

- ⇒ The Lucas County Commissioners decided to charge each Township in Lucas County, which receives service from the Sheriff's Department, for Police Services based on population. The Sheriff has determined that the cost to Springfield Township would be approx 2.4 million per year in addition to the approx. 500,000 currently being paid.
- ⇒ Sheriff's Fees projected over the next three years
2010 - 2.4 million 2011 - 2.7 million Revised 10/15/09
2012 - 2.9 million (90%)

What happens if we don't pay the fees required by the County Commissioners?

- ⇒ According to their official response there would be greatly reduced police patrols in the Township and investigative follow-up on criminal incidents. Sheriff's Deputies could respond to 9-1-1 calls from downtown. The Fire Department would have to wait for Deputies for any situation requiring securing a dangerous scene (such as domestic violence with injuries) prior to them being able to render aid.

What options do we have as a Township?

- ⇒ 1. pay the fee required by the Commissioners and receive the current level of service by the Sheriff's Department
- ⇒ 2. refuse to pay the fee required by the Commissioners and live with substantially reduced service by the Sheriff's Department
- ⇒ 3. contract with Holland Police Department to provide Police Services for Springfield Township.

Estimated cost for this service: 2010 - 1.7 million 2011 - 2.1 million 2012 - 2.5 million

What's the difference in the level of service between the Sheriff's Dept. and Holland Police?

- ⇒ The Sheriff will have at least three officers on duty in Springfield unless sent to another part of the county
- ⇒ Holland Police will have at least three officers on duty in Springfield and they would not leave their area unless there was a call for mutual aid. This would be in addition to two officers in Holland who would be available to backup the officers patrolling the Township.

What will the Police Services levy cost?

- ⇒ If the market value on your home as listed on your tax bill is 100,000 it will cost 137.00 per year.
- ⇒ This will raise approx. 2.5 million dollars for Police Services

If you have any further questions please check the website for more information and locations for future public meetings.

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