# 2019 FIRE LEVY

(NOV 2018 BALLOT)



#### CURRENT DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION

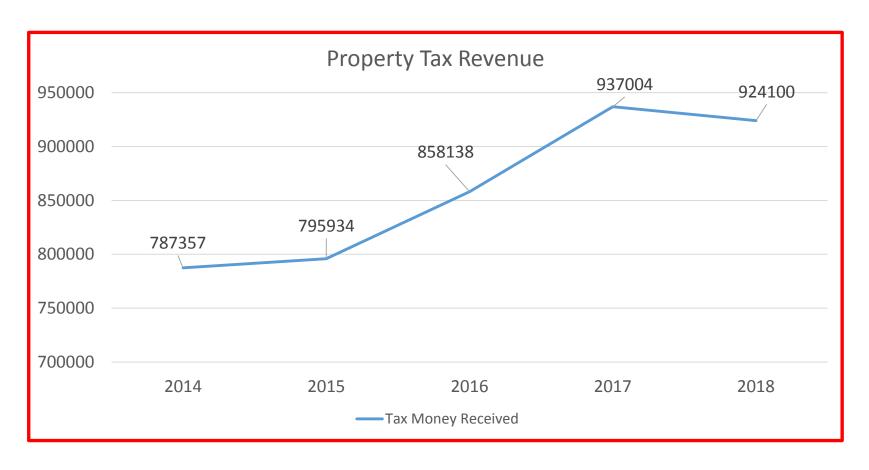
- 41 ALL PART-TIME EMPLOYEES NO FULL-TIME PERSONNEL
- PROVIDE 24 HOURS/365 DAY A YEAR IN STATION COVERAGE WITH (3) PERSONNEL ON DUTY AT (1) FIRE STATION
- RESPOND TO ALL HAZARDS- FIRES, EMS, TECHNICAL RESCUES, HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILLS, SMOKE DETECTOR INSTALLS, FIRE PREVENTION CLASSES, FIRE PREVENTION INSPECTIONS, PLANS REVIEW
- COMPLETE FLUSHING OF 584 HYDRANTS, TESTING OF OVER 4,000' OF HOSE, COMPLETED 2,407 HOURS OF TRAINING (2017)
- RESPONDED TO 1025 INCIDENTS IN 2017

# **LEVY HISTORY**

- 1994- Fire Levy 4.0 Mils
- 1999- Renewal Levy 4.0 Mils with additional 0.5 Mils
- 2004- Renewal Levy 4.0 Mils with REDUCTION of 0.5 Mils
- 2009- Renewal Levy 4.0 Mils
- 2013- Renewal Levy 4.0 Mils
- 2018- Renewal Levy 4.0 Mils with increase of 2.0 Mils

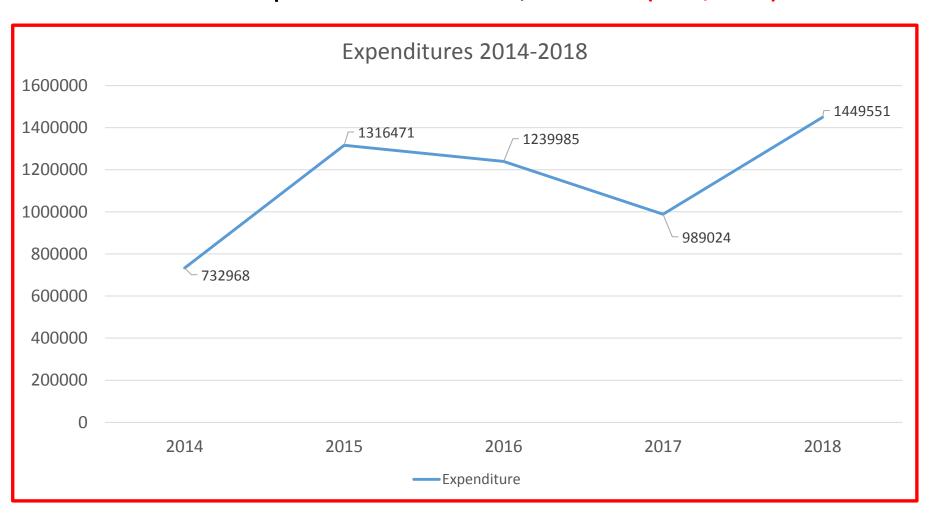
# **CURRENT LEVY**

- 4 Mil Levy which was last renewed in 2013, effective 2014.
- Generates \$937,004.67 (2017)

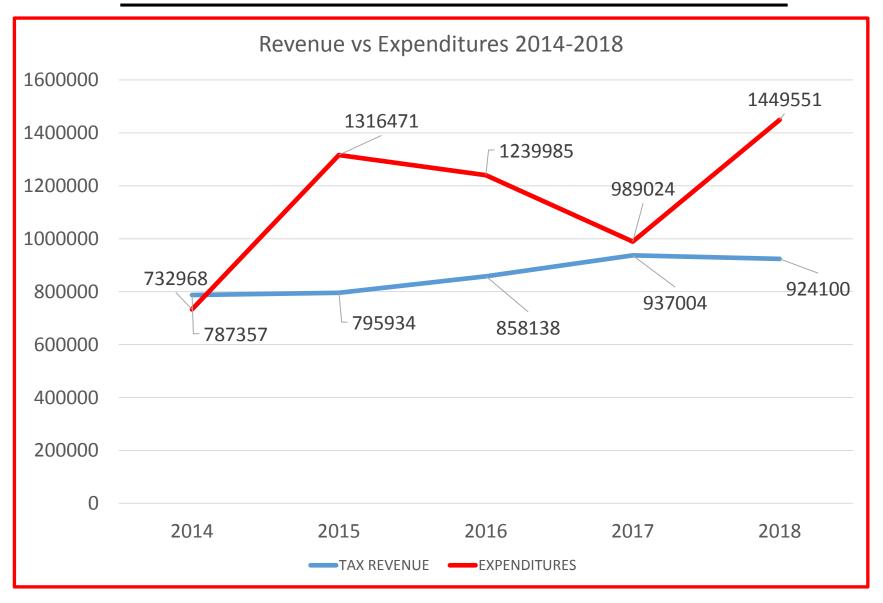


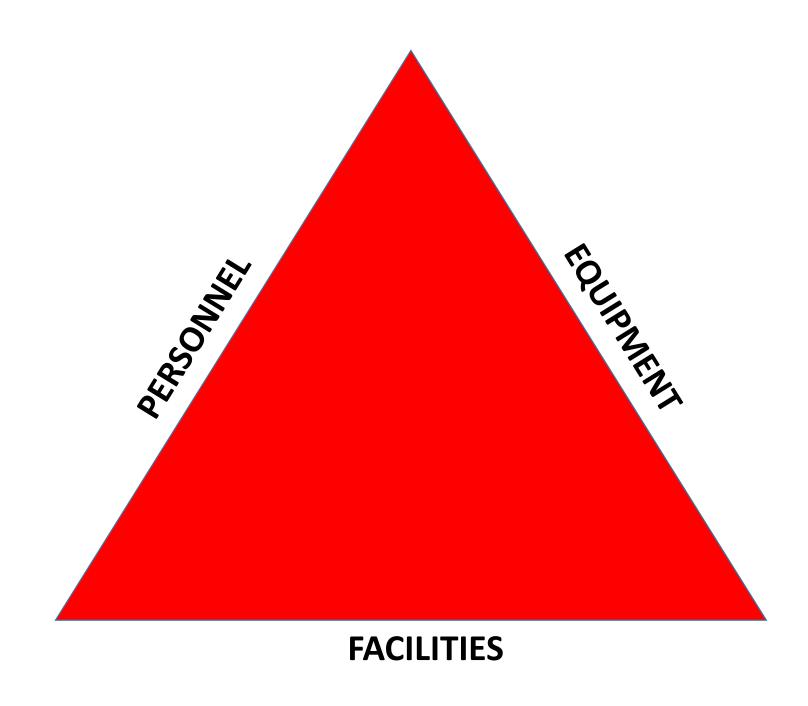
# **EXPENDITURES**

• 2017 Expenditures \$989,024.94 (-52,020)



#### REVENUE VS. EXPENDITURES





# **EQUIPMENT**

- ENGINES PURCHASED IN 2015 will be paid for in 2022
- SQUADS- HAVE ESTABLISHED A REPLACEMENT PROGRAM, next squad to be purchased in 2020
- TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT (Fire/EMS Related) extrication equipment, truck 24, brush fire equipment, thermal imagers, turnout gear, radio equipment, SCBAs, hoses and appliances, refurbishment/replacement of tanker 22.
- STATION EQUIPMENT- Computers, telephone system, server.

# **FACILITIES**

- STATION 2 RENOVATIONS COMPLETED 2016- (1) office, (3) bunkrooms, kitchen, bathrooms, showers, laundry facilities, interior repaint.
  - PENDING- Bay heaters, roof over bays, west side water leak/drainage, security
- STATION 1 REPLACEMENT- Space for vehicles, training room, office space, storage space, bunkrooms, kitchen, bathrooms, showers, laundry facilities, ability to wash vehicles during the winter.

**ESTIMATED REPLACEMENT \$3-4 MILLION** 

# **PERSONNEL**

- 41 PART-TIME PERSONNEL (8 Officers, 33 Firefighters)
  - 4 on leave of absence
  - 1 on administrative leave
  - Vacant Fire Inspector Position
  - 28 Paramedics, 13 EMT-Basic
  - Firefighter Level II
  - (1) person on "speciality team"
    - per county agreement supposed to have (4)
- Personnel Costs
  - Wages
  - Uniforms
  - Benefits (No Pension, No Healthcare)
  - State and Hospital Mandated Training (FFII-18 hrs/yr, Paramedic 29 hrs/yr +PALS, +ACLS)
  - Special Topic/Discipline

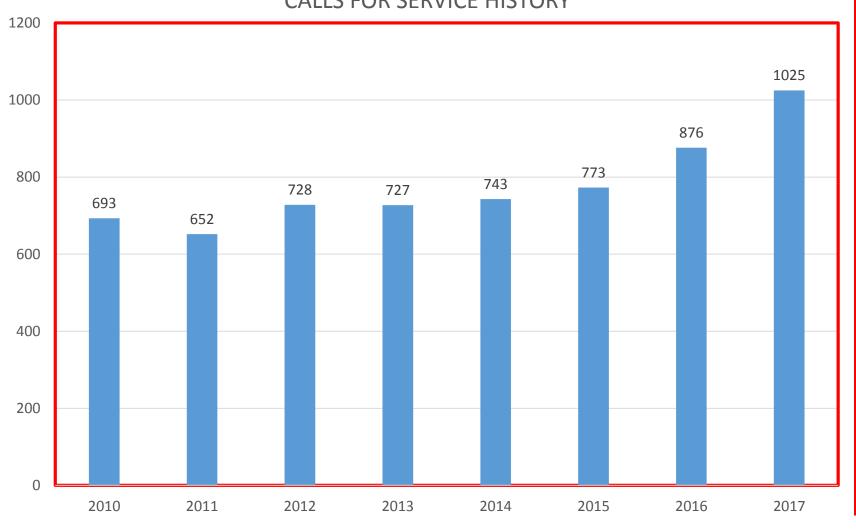
#### CURRENT PERSONNEL CHALLANGES

- Part-time personnel
  - Full-time job commitments
  - Family commitments
  - Social commitments
  - Availability.....
- Leave of Absences/Resignations (15-25% of personnel)

YEAR	LOA/RESIGNATIONS
2013	8
2014	6
2015	6
2016	8
2017	9
2018	4

#### CALLS FOR SERVICE

#### CALLS FOR SERVICE HISTORY



Response History:

2010-2013 increase of 4.7%

2014-2017 increase of 28%

2010-2017 Increase of 32.7%

# NO LONGER SUSTAINABLE PART-TIME/VOLUNTEER

- CALLS FOR SERVICE
- STATE REQUIRED MADATES
- EMS DUTIES
- MEETINGS
- INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITY
- FOLLOW-UP
- DAILY MANAGEMENT
- REPORTS/RECORDS MANAGEMENT

## **LEVY REQUEST**

#### OPTION #1

- RENEWAL OF EXISTING 4 MIL FIRE LEVY
- ADDITIONAL 1.2 MILS
- FIRE STATION FUNDING TO BE DETERMINED (BOND ISSUE)

#### OPTION #2

- RENEWAL OF EXISTING 4 MIL FIRE LEVY
- ADDITIONAL 2 MILS

#### THERE HAS BEEN NO ADDITIONAL LEVY 1994

# WHAT DOES IT COST???

**TAXABLE VALUE** 

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**HOME VALUE** 

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**TAX AMOUNT/MONTH** 

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TAX AMOUNT PER/YEAR

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1.2	\$100,000	\$35,000	\$3.50	\$42
1.2	\$150,000	\$52,500	\$5.25	\$63
1.2	\$200,000	\$70,000	\$7.00	\$84
1.2	\$250,000	\$87,500	\$8.75	\$105
1.2	\$300,000	\$105,000	\$10.50	\$126
MILS	HOME VALUE	TAXABLE VALUE	TAX AMOUNT/MONTH	TAX AMOUNT PER/YEAR
2.0	\$100,000	\$35,000	\$5.80	\$70
2.0	\$100,000 \$150,000	\$35,000 \$52,500	\$5.80 \$8.75	\$70 \$105
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2.0	\$150,000	\$52,500	\$8.75	\$105
2.0	\$150,000 \$200,000	\$52,500 \$70,000	\$8.75 \$11.60	\$105 \$140

AVERAGE BRUNSWICK HILLS TWP. HOME VALUE IS \$209,000

#### WHAT DOES OPTION #1 GENERATE?

\$344,280

#### WHAT WILL IT BE USED FOR?

- PERSONNEL 3 full-time employees, part-time secretary, future additional full-time staff, and training
- EQUIPMENT/APPARATUS Continued equipment replacement, maintenance and purchases

#### WHAT DOES OPTION #2 GENERATE?

\$573,800

#### WHAT WILL IT BE USED FOR?

- PERSONNEL 3 full-time employees, part-time secretary, future additional full-time staff, and training
- EQUIPMENT/APPARATUS Continued equipment replacement, maintenance and purchases
- STATION REPLACEMENT- Station One, station two repairs

# WHY FULLTIME PERSONNEL?

- Consistency of day to day operations
- Better customer service
- Reliability of personnel
- Reduction in employee turnover
- Reduce time to complete citizen requests, vehicle repairs, equipment repairs.
- Reduction in part-time staff which are becoming harder to find, recruit, train and retain (STILL MAINTAINING COMBINATION DEPARTMENT)
- Full-time personnel come to work fresh and ready to work, not from their full-time job. They have ownership.

## WHY REPLACE EQUIPMENT?

- NOTHING LASTS FOREVER.....
- Changes in technology radios have to be P25 compliant gov't mandate. Systems going to digital and moving from UHF to 700/800 platforms. Current radios \$800, new radios \$3-5k.
- Extrication equipment structural members in vehicles need higher pressure tools to cut through them.
- Hoses and appliances tactics have changed and so does equipment,
  5" supply replaced with 4" supply (County agreement not yet implemented by BHFD).
- To meet laws, rules and standards.....ORC, BWC, NFPA.

#### WHY REPLACE STATION ONE?

- It was not built to be a fire station
- Does not have safety features for fire department operations
- Does not have the needed room for personnel or equipment
- Structurally it is failing, floors leak, floors cracking, walls cracking, walls out of square causing doors not to close, exterior of building almost in disrepair.







## **METHODOLOGY**

NOT REQUESTING MORE THAN WE NEED, IN FACT WE WILL STILL HAVE TO BE FICALLY RESPONSIBLE AND LOOK FOR WAYS TO REDUCE COSTS TO IMPLEMENT THE STRATEGIC PLAN THAT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED.

**NO SURPRISES** 

#### WHERE YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO?

Total Mils- 97.41 Mils

Brunswick City School District- 68.82 Mils

Brunswick Hills Township- 14.35 Mils

Medina County- 8.04 Mils

Other- Parks/Library- 3.15 Mils

Vocational School- 3.05 Mils

Total Mils- 106.29 Mils

Highland School District- 77.70 Mils

Brunswick Hills Township- 14.35 Mils

Medina County- 8.04 Mils

Other- Parks/Library- 3.15 Mils

Vocational School- 3.05 Mils

#### TOWNSHIP TAX BREAKDOWN

- Police Department 8.25 mils (\$1,974,049)
  - 2002 2.5 Mil
  - 2008 3.0 Mil
  - 2016 2.75 Mil
- Fire Department 4 mils (\$937,004)
  - 2004 4.0 Mil
- General Fund 1.4 mils (\$742.836)
- Road and Bridge 1.2 mils (\$344,675)

"Enrichment Through Diversity"



Established 1960

#### MEDINA CO. TWP. TAX COMPARISON

TOWNSHIP	SCHOOL DISTRICT	MILS
Granger Twp.	Highland	97.54
Granger Twp.	Medina City S.D.	111.47
Guilford Twp.	Cloverleaf	80.69
Guildford Twp.	Wadsworth City S.D.	97.84
Hinckley Twp.	Highland	107.74
Hinckley Twp.	Brunswick City S.D.	98.86
Medina Twp.	Medina City S.D.	114.37
Medina Twp.	Highland	100.44
Montville Twp.	Medina City S.D.	117.57
Montville Twp.	Highland	103.64
Montville Twp.	Wadsworth City S.D.	101.39
Liverpool Twp.	Buckeye	86.84
York Twp.	Buckeye	87.34

Brunswick Hills Twp. BCSD 97.41 Brunswick Hills Twp. Highland S.D. 106.29

## **APPLES TO APPLES**

- Ask yourself-
  - How many residents do they have?
  - Do they have their own police department?
  - Do they have their own fire department?
  - Does their fire department also provide EMS?
  - How many calls for service do they receive annually?
  - What are their response times?
  - What do you want the response time to your emergency to be?







# **CONCLUSION**

REQUEST TRUSTEES CONSIDER PLACING A RENEWAL AND INCREASE OF THE FIRE LEVY ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. NOT REQUESTING THAT ACTION OR RESOLUTION BE TAKEN TONIGHT.

