

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WAYNE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

ORDER

At a special meeting of the County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia, held at the Courthouse thereof, on the 20TH day of February, 2024 the following order was made and entered:

**ORDER FOR SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC SERVICE EXCESS LEVY ELECTION
BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WAYNE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

Whereas: The County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia, being of the opinion that the maximum levies for current expenses authorized by Article 8, Chapter 11, of the Code of West Virginia, as last amended, will not provide sufficient funds for the payment of current expenses of the County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia, including expenditures for the purposes hereinafter set forth and that an election should be held to increase such levies under the provisions of Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code, as amended, as provided by law, it is hereby ordained and ordered:

1. That the purpose for which additional funds are needed is to provide additional funds for the following:

- A. FIRE DEPARTMENTS/FIRE PROTECTION
- B. LIBRARIES
- C. COUNTY-APPROVED EMS PROVIDER/MUTAL AID PARTICIPANTS
SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE
- D. WAYNE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
- E. COUNTY-OPERATED EMS SERVICE

2. The amounts considered necessary for each of the above purposes for each fiscal year and the total for four years after an 7.4% allowance for, tax discounts, delinquencies, exonerations and uncollected taxes and shrinkage is as follows:

	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>PER YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL 4 YEARS</u>	<u>% OF LEVY</u>
A.	FIRE DEPARTMENTS/ FIRE PROTECTION	\$ <u>498,546</u>	\$ <u>1,994,184</u>	<u>19.3%</u>
B.	LIBRARIES	<u>93,478</u>	<u>373,912</u>	<u>3.6%</u>
C.	COUNTY-APPROVED EMS PROVIDER/MUTAL AID PARTICIPANTS SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE	<u>400,618</u>	<u>1,602,472</u>	<u>15.4%</u>
D.	HEALTH DEPARTMENT	<u>75,673</u>	<u>302,692</u>	<u>2.9%</u>
E.	COUNTY-OPERATED EMS SERVICE	<u>1,526,799</u>	<u>6,107,196</u>	<u>58.8%</u>

TOTAL \$ 2,595,114 \$ 10,380,456 100.0%

3. That the separate and aggregate assessed valuations of each class of taxable property within Wayne County, West Virginia, is as follows:

Class I	\$ 0
Class II	<u>\$ 609,488,054</u>
Class III	<u>\$ 721,063,852</u>
Class IV	<u>\$ 174,802,558</u>
Aggregate	<u>\$1,505,354,464</u>

4. That the proposed additional rate of levy in cents per \$100 assessed value on each class of property for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028 will not exceed the following:

Class I	<u>5.83 cents</u>
Class II	<u>11.66 cents</u>
Class III	<u>23.32 cents</u>
Class IV	<u>23.32 cents</u>

5. That the proposed number of years by which the additional levy shall apply are the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028 which will not exceed five fiscal years.

6. That the County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia, will not issue bonds upon approval of the proposed increased levy.

7. That the question of the additional levy shall be submitted to a vote at a Primary Election, to be held on May 14, 2024.

8. That notice calling such election shall be given by publication as a *Class II-0* legal advertisement, once a week for two successive weeks in the publication area for Wayne County, West Virginia. Furthermore, such notice shall be published within 14 consecutive days next preceding, the Election scheduled for May 14, 2024, by the Clerk of the County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia.

9. All provisions of law concerning General Elections shall apply so far as they are practical.

10. That the ballot to be used at the election shall be in the form as follows:

**PUBLIC SERVICE EXCESS LEVY ELECTION
MAY 14, 2024**

SPECIAL ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL LEVIES FOR THE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF CURRENT EXPENSES ACCORDING TO THE ORDER OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF WAYNE COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA ENTERED ON THE 20TH day of February, 2024.

A. Special Election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028 , to provide additional funds for: Fire Departments/Fire Protection, Libraries, County-approved EMS Provider/Mutual Aid Participant Supplemental Assistance, Health Department, and County-operated EMS Service, is to be held according to the Order of the County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia, entered on the 20th day of February, 2024.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of each class of property is as follows:

Class I	5.83 cents
Class II	11.66 cents
Class III	23.32 cents
Class IV	23.32 cents

The proposed levy is anticipated to generate approximately \$2,595,114 per year for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027 and July 1, 2028. The purpose for which the proceeds of the levy are to be expended is as follows:

<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>PER YEAR</u>	<u>% OF LEVY</u>
A. Fire Departments/Fire Protection Services	\$498,546	19.3%
B. Libraries	\$ 93,478	3.6%
C. County-Approved EMS Provider/Mutual Aid Participant Supplemental Assistance	\$400,618	15.4%
D. Health Department	\$ 75,673	2.9%
E. County-operated EMS Service	\$ 1,526,799	58.8%
Total	\$2,595,114	100.0%

B. Instructions: Those favoring the additional levies shall vote "For The Levy". Those against the levies shall vote "Against The Levy".

() For the Levy

() Against the Levy

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in accordance with West Virginia Code, Chapter 11, Article 8, Section 17, the County Commission of Wayne County, do, and it does

hereby, appoint the election officers as may hereafter be appointed and be qualified to serve at the Primary Election to be held on May 14, 2024, as the election officers to conduct the additional levy election.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of this Commission do cause the proper question to be prepared for the Primary Election to be held on May 14, 2024, to cause a ballot to be prepared for such question, and to take such other action as may be necessary.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be delivered to the Clerk of the County Commission of Wayne County, West Virginia, in order to provide for the proper preparation of the issue on the ballot.

The adoption of the foregoing order having been moved by _____
And duly second by _____ the vote thereon was as follows:

Jeffrey A. Maddox, President _____

Robert M. Thompson, Commissioner _____

Travis D. Thompson, Commissioner _____

Whereupon, Jeffrey A. Maddox, President, declared said Order duly adopted:

IT IS THEREFORE ADJUDGED AND ORDERED: That the said ORDER be, and the same is, hereby adopted;

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That a copy of this ORDER be forthwith delivered to the Clerk of the County Commission for preparation on the ballot.

Jeffrey A. Maddox, President

Robert M. Thompson, Commissioner

Travis D. Thompson, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Craig Evans, Clerk, Wayne County Commission

Wayne County Public Services Levy 24'

Residential Property Funding Examples

Look For This Information On Your Personal Residential Tax Ticket For The Information On Your Home: Examples Below;

Appraised Value of Your Home	Assessed Value	Levy Rate	Annual Investment	Average Investment per Month
\$50,000	\$30,000	(x) .001166%	\$34.98	\$2.96
\$75,000	\$45,000	(x) .001166%	\$52.47	\$4.37
\$100,000	\$60,000	(x) .001166%	\$69.96	\$5.83
\$125,000	\$75,000	(x) .001166%	\$87.45	\$7.29
\$150,000	\$90,000	(x) .001166%	\$104.94	\$8.75
\$175,000	\$105,000	(x) .001166%	\$122.43	\$10.20

What The Public Services Levy Means To You And Your Family?

- **Volunteer Fire Department** – The Levy Will Provide Annual Financial Support to Assure Continued, Quality Fire Protection in Wayne County.
- **EMS Supplement** – The Levy Will Provide Annual Financial Support to All County Approved EMS Providers That Consistently Participates in County Wide Emergency Response Mutual Aid.
- **Wayne County Department of Health (Health Department)** – This Agency Not Only Provided Emergency Vaccination Services for Hundreds of Residents During the Pandemic and Seasonal Vaccination for Health concerns, Restaurant and Sewage Disposal Inspections, , etc.....
- **County Owned and Operated EMS System** – The Levy Will Provide Annual Financial Support to This Vital Enhancement to the County Wide EMS System. The Objective is to Have Two Separate, Strategically Located Ambulances That Will Operate 24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week, 365 Days a Year. They Will Be Immediate Response Ambulances.
- **Wayne County Public Libraries** - The Levy Will Provide Annual Financial Support to These Important Facilities in Wayne County That Consistently Provide Educational Services to Residents of All Ages.