

The Village Board has been working hard to provide village residents with good services. Here is a short synopsis of the 2015 budget.

Levy: the amount of taxes levied to the village residents was increased by \$880 from last year.

Street Department: The PW committee has decided to hold off on any street projects for 2015, \$48,865 will be put into the street capital improvement account. The village purchased a new 2015 dump truck in October. Our current truck was 20 years old and having power issues which is not a good thing with all the hills that are plowed and sanded during the winter.

Buildings: As I am sure many of you have heard the Village has been approached by the Fire Association to purchase the building that houses the fire dept and ambulance service. The village will be researching this as far as the cost feasibility in relocating the village shop.

Police Budget: The police budget remains the same. The village will be assessing if there is a need for a full time officer vs. part timers.

Water budget: The water budget was increased to \$ 191,755 which is up \$192 from last year and is supported by water usage/charge. The reservoir inspections are being conducted this year.

Sewer budget: \$410,307 which is also supported by sewer usage/charge.

Listed below are some of the expenses budgeted for 2015:

Library: \$44,562 given to the library budget which is the same amount as last year.

Fire Service: \$38,712 Fire Association dues was increased by \$204

Ambulance Service: \$18,333 Ambulance Association dues remained the same

Utilities & Street Lighting: \$20,000

The accepted bid for the asbestos removal at the vacated nursing home was \$89,500, we have yet to bid out the demo and removal.

Hydrant Rental: \$72,720 this is required by the Public Service Commission. We rent the hydrant from the water department for fire protection.

Professional Fees: \$27,700 for attorney, assessor, and audit

Property and Liability Insurance: \$22,973

Streets: salt & sand \$13,000, street maintenance \$20,000

Chamber, Flowers & Fire Works: \$1000 Chamber dues, \$1,000 master gardeners, \$4000 fire works

Summer Recreation: \$2000 towards filling the pool, \$700 softball and baseball programs, \$1000 port-a-potties

Wages & Benefits: \$369,482 includes wages and benefits for Public Works, Police and Office employees.

Spring and Fall Clean up: \$1,000
