

RESOLUTION 15-68

REQUIRED MAXIMUM LEVY INCREASE TO MEET STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF PROVIDING SERVICE TO TOWN

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of Battle Ground, Tippecanoe County, Indiana that a need now exists for the request for Excessive Maximum Levy Increase due to Annexation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED pursuant to IC 6-1.1-18.5-12 (a):

Any civil taxing unit that determines that it cannot carry out its governmental functions for an ensuing calendar year under the levy limitations imposed by section 3 of this chapter may:

- (1) before October 20 of the calendar year immediately preceding the ensuing calendar year: or
(2) in the case of a request described in section 16 of this chapter. before December 31 of the calendar year immediately preceding the ensuing calendar year; appeal to the Department of Local Government Finance for relief from those levy limitations. In the appeal the civil taxing unit must state that it will be unable to carry out the governmental functions committed to it by law unless it is given the authority that it is petitioning for. The civil taxing unit must support these allegations by reasonably detailed statements of fact.

It is required based upon Ordinance 2014-523 that there will be additional costs to the Town as a result of the approved annexation. A majority of the costs are related to the Police Department and Street Department. The summary of the costs is demonstrated in the table below extracted from the Umbaugh Fiscal Impact Study.

Table with 2 columns: Expense Category and Amount. Rows include Street Dept. signage, Street Dept. maintenance, Police Dept. personnel and materials & supplies, General trash collection & recycling, General street lighting, General storm drainage, and Total Increase from annexation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that without the \$70,230 increase in the maximum levy the town will be unable to cam out the governmental functions committed to it by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the board requests the Department of Local Government Finance to review said petition for an Excessive Levy increase of \$70,230 to be a permanent adjustment to the maximum levy.

NOW THEREFORE duly adopt by the following vote of the members of said Battle Ground Town Council this 12th day of October, 2015.

AYE NAY

Steve Egly

Karen Pearson

Brian Brewer

Becky Holladay

Joe Bird

ATTEST:

Georgia Jones
Clerk-Treasurer