

**RESOLUTION NO. 87-23**

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF CONNEAUT A RENEWAL OF 2.75 MILLS OF AN EXISTING LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE TEN (10) MILL LIMITATION, FOR A FIVE YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING WITH TAX YEAR 2023, TO BE FIRST COLLECTED IN 2024, AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 7, 2023 FOR STREET CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, RESURFACING, REPAIR OF STREETS, ROADS, AND BRIDGES IN THE CITY OF CONNEAUT.

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes that may be raised by levy at the maximum rate authorized by law without a vote of the electors is not sufficient to provide for the needs of the City Street Department; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Conneaut finds that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount of funds for the necessary requirements of the City and it is essential to levy a tax in excess of that limitation for the purpose of providing funding for street construction, maintenance, repair and improvements, including but not limited to, general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, repair of streets, roads, and bridges in the City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 5705.19, 5705.191 and 5705.25 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Council of the City of Conneaut has determined the need to authorize and direct the submission to the electors of the City a levy for the purpose of providing funding general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, repair of streets, roads, and bridges in the City, in the amount of two and seventy-five hundredths (2.75) mills for each one dollars (\$1.00) of taxable value, commencing with the tax year 2023, to be collected in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 66-23, adopted June 12, 2023, by the Council of the City of Conneaut pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code declared it necessary to place a 2.75 mills renewal levy and requested the Ashtabula County Auditor to certify the total current tax valuation of the City and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by said levy; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2023, the Ashtabula County Auditor certified that the total current tax valuation of the City is \$201,272,950.00 and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by said levy would be \$495,892.00 annually during the life of the levy assuming that the total current tax valuation remains the same throughout the life of the levy, which amounts to \$89.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Conneaut, County of Ashtabula and State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That it is hereby determined and declared that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten (10) mill limitation, and the rate authorized by the Ohio Revised Code 5705.02 for the tax duplicate years will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of the City of Conneaut, and that it is necessary for street construction, maintenance, repair and improvements including, but not limited to, general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, repair of streets, roads, and bridges in the city to levy an additional tax in the amount of 2.75 mills for a period of five (5) years.

SECTION 2. The proposed levy will be for a renewal of 2.75 mills of an existing levy outside of the ten (10) mill limitation, at a rate not exceeding 2.75 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$89.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, which will generate \$495,892.00 annually for a period of five years.

SECTION 3. The levy shall commence with the tax year 2023, to be first collected in 2024.

SECTION 4. The form of ballot to be cast at the election for the proposal contained herein shall read and provide as follows:

**“PROPOSED TAX LEVY**

A renewal of 2.75 mills of an existing levy, to constitute a tax for the benefit of the City of Conneaut for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, repair of streets, roads, and bridges that the county auditor estimates will collect \$495,892.00 annually, at a rate not exceeding 2.75 mills for each one dollar of taxable value, which amounts to \$89.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value for 5 years, commencing with the tax year 2023 and to be collected in 2024”

**FOR THE TAX LEVY**

**AGAINST THE TAX LEVY**

SECTION 5. The Clerk of Council be and is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this Resolution along with Resolution No. 66-23 and the related Ashtabula County Auditor's Certificate, to the Ashtabula County Board of Elections not later than August 9, 2023.

SECTION 6. The Board of Elections of Ashtabula County shall cause an appropriate notice to be duly given of the General Election to be held November 7, 2023 on the foregoing Tax Levy for the City of Conneaut and otherwise provide for such election in the manner provided by the general laws of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 7. The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to cause copies of said proposed Tax Levy to be mailed at least thirty (30) days prior to said election to each elector of the City whose name appears upon the registration book of the last regular or general election held in the City; provided, however, that in lieu of such mailing and to the extent provided by law, the Clerk of Council is hereby authorized to cause a copy of the proposed Tax Levy to be published

in such manner as may be authorized by law.

SECTION 8. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council or any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 9. That pursuant to Section 5705.19 of the Ohio Revised Code, this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Passed this 24<sup>TH</sup> day of JULY, 2023.

  
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President of Council

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Council