



PS LIT Packet 2019

**Benton Civil Township
Zachary Shaw, Fire Chief
Michelle Bright, Trustee**



BENTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

7606 East State Road 45

Unionville, IN 47468

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June 30, 2019

Dear Members of the County Public Safety Income Tax Committee,

I am writing in regards to my support for the Benton Township of Monroe County Volunteer Fire Department, Inc request for distribution of the Public Safety Income Tax.

As we have alluded to in previous Public Safety LIT Applications, our township is rapidly approaching a critical time.

- Starting in 2019, the cost to provide service with a volunteer fire department and to contract with a career fire department (to respond 24 hours a day, 7 days a week) now exceeds the revenue that we can collect; causing us to dip into our limited surplus funds in order to ensure guaranteed service to our residents.
- Our volunteer roster has decreased over the last year for several reasons - several volunteers retired, several moved on to full time careers at other stations, and some left the fire service altogether. Recruitment of new volunteers is a challenge due to our aging population and being in a rural area.
- In anticipation of not being able to afford a contract but not having enough volunteers to guarantee response, Benton Township attempted to consolidate with Northern Monroe Fire Territory in 2016 but was unsuccessful due to reasons outside our control.

Earlier this spring, the Township Board signed a resolution supporting the initiation of talks to attempt to consolidate. Plans changed when we were informed that the Northern Monroe Fire Territory is planning on joining the Monroe Fire District in order to protect the potential impact of annexation in their area due to the passing of SB 603. Within the past few months, Van Buren Township easily reached the minimum taxpayer petition to join the District within a short period, and I anticipate Bloomington Township will have the same support. Having Bloomington Township join the District would enable the taxpayers of Benton Township to have the opportunity to join Monroe Fire District since we now would be contiguous with a participating unit.

There have already been several meetings with Chief Dustin Dillard in regards to the timeline and logistics of having Benton Township join the Monroe Fire District. Benton Township public officials are excited about the opportunity to have two full time personnel—a first for Station 14. Our station is centrally located in our township; and most areas within Benton Township will see a significantly faster response time once this station is staffed. In addition, we believe that most areas of Benton Township may see a reduction in their homeowner's premium by staffing this station and thus improving our ISO rating (depending on insurance company).

With these changes coming, we are evaluating our station, vehicles, equipment, and overall capacities to determine areas that would need to be resolved before having staffing here.

~ Proudly serving Benton Township ~

Michelle A. Bright, Trustee

Board Members: Joe Husk,
Hans Kelson, and Lynn Stevens

Our most critical need is for stabilization of a second floor living area at our main fire station building. This area was designed as living quarters and has a full kitchen, two bedrooms with a full bath in between, and common area with an additional bathroom. This area is supported by a single steel column that is slightly offset in order to fit a fire truck in the bay below. Upon recent examination, this beam was found to be bent by approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ inch. We immediately contacted a structural engineer who has been evaluating the safety of this area of the building. Although the report has not been finalized, we anticipate that we will need to be able to do some structural reinforcement in order for this second floor area to continue to be used in this way in order to be able to continue utilizing this area and ensure our volunteers and hopefully future full time personnel are safe.

Finally, we have a very long list of infrastructure upgrades which will benefit both our volunteers and any future full time personnel. For example,

- We would like to install interior exhaust systems to funnel exhaust fumes out of the bays to reduce carcinogenic exposure.
- We anticipate having to make structural improvements for safety such as addition emergency exit doors and improving stair cases.
- With converting the upper floor to living areas, the office and exercise room that currently occupies the two bedrooms upstairs will need to be moved. We anticipate the need to either renovate the lower bays for this purpose; or to add on a separate area to one of our two buildings.
- We will also need to purchase bedroom and common area furniture and upgrade our appliances in order to maximize comfort for the full time staff that would be working here.

As all of this is going on, we had planned on replacing our tanker truck per National Fire Protection Association standards as it is 20 years old. This is a significant purchase (approximately \$350,000) but we were fortunate to have been granted some funding from last year's PS LIT funds in addition to funds in our cumulative fire fund. In addition, our Squad truck is up for replacement next year. However, this does not leave much left in order to complete these unexpected station renovations.

The Township Board has been a large supporter of the Volunteer Fire Department. They unanimously approved the application for last three applications; and I have no doubt that they will support this request. However, due to timing of the application's release and our Board schedule, I will not be able to provide to you a letter of support until after our July 10, 2019 meeting.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter. Feel free to contact me should you have additional questions or require additional information.

Respectfully,
{electronically signed}

Michelle Bright
Benton Township Trustee

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July 1, 2019

City Of Bloomington
Office of Common Council, Suite 110
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Dear City of Bloomington Tax Income Council

Hello, first I would like to say thank you for taking the time and consideration for examining our functionality and needs of our fire dept. I am grateful for having the opportunity as such for our voice to be heard, as well as your opinion. Our volunteers and staff at Benton Twp government are essential to the protection and life safety of our residents. We strive to do our best, with countless hours given. The following lines provided are answers and exams to the boxes, as in order.

(Explain why you are eligible to request funds under Indiana code 6-3.6-6-8 (c),..)

Benton Township of Monroe County Vol. Fire Department (BTVFD), provides fire and EMS for our residents within Benton Township of Monroe County Indiana. Benton Township is a political subdivision, that is not a municipality, which can receive a distribution of tax revenue under Indiana Code 6-3.6-6-8. Our 2019 fire contract is provided.

AMOUNT, BREAKDOWN, AND EXPLANATION OF REQUEST :

CATEGORY 2- SUPPLIES;

See next page-

Total amount requested: \$110,000 toward remodeling Benton Township Fire Station

Benefit of request: Remodeling our fire station has been in the works for quite sometime, and looking into the future of Benton township, our need has never been greater. Waves and motions have been set by numerous other fire departments, moving into territories and districits. Thus by this progression, some departments have improved the facade of the hometown fire station, not only improving the outside, but inside as well, making the station up to current NFPA fire code, and comfortable. This would make the station more apt to become a paid full time department, thus recruiting many from the outside. There was once a saying, “ if you build it they will come”. This has been proven looking across america in history reagrding the many years of improving the american economy, not to mention the fire service. Building a fresh fire station or remodeling, could in fact bring many new hopefuls to the fire service, and improving the asthetics and safety of the building. Currently our building has been inspected by structural engineers, and other house inspectors, and recommendations coming to our staff, have been to improve, and stabilize our building that our current fire station is and was. Many countless years of hard work have been put into the building, but the time has come to pass, that our building needs major improvments. If Benton Township ever looks into becoming a full time fire and ambulance station, we would need to reconstruct part of the front building and foundation, making the building sound and stable for many viable years to come. These improvments would have to come soon, due to the possibilty of Benton Township consolidating with another fire dept for paid personnel.

CATEGORY 4: Captial Asset

Items of capital : New set of Extrication Tool Set

AMOUNT REQUESTED : \$46,000

Benefit of request : Receiving new extrication tool set would benefit Benton Township greatly. This was a request of another fire dept last year, thus improving their capabilities, and quickness to react and assist people in their time of need during an auto accident crash. Extricating people during a crash scene is an intense procedure that requires skill and agility to safely extricate our loved ones from an auto crash, delivering them to EMS. Our current hydraulic set of extrication tools is out of date, and no longer manufactured. Prices of repair which currently have been ordered have been very costly. Dealers have recommended that we upgrade to newer electric sets, for less downtime, and more affordable costs. Not to mention current businesses on the market selling the items. The last 5 years of the extrication tool market, have been a push for electric battery sets. These sets are quickly deployable, and no set up time required. They are much safer, especially at night time accident scenes, noting no tripping hazards. They are much quieter on scene, thus improving communications on scene to crew members, and patient contact. A real good one to mention is they are emission free, no fuel burned, and no fumes, perfect for inclosed spaces, and tight quarters. Also to mention again, less maintenance, and down time.

CATEGORY 4 : Capital Asset

Items of Capital : New set of 5 way gas readers

AMOUNT REQUESTED \$6,500

Benefit of request : Currently we have an older model 4 way gas reader, that is only placed on one apparatus. It can only detect 4 gases such as H₂S, Nitrogen Dioxide, Carbon monoxide, and Oxygen. Sometimes when it calls for use, it may be pulled off the engine, and taken in the rescue, or support vehicle for gas readings, thus leaving the engine with nothing for gas detection, if a backup crew were to take the engine. Obtaining these precious items could infact save countless lives, as placed on multiple apparatus. I would like to have them placed on 4 apparatus if able to. Many times on medical runs or any other runs to note, family members ask if they are getting poisoned by toxic gases in the house, or fumes from somewhere in their residence. Many other depts have gas readers

readily available on squads and rescues, ready to determine the cause specific. The 5 way reader is able to detect up to 6 toxic gases, quicker, able to survive a 10 foot drop, blue tooth technology able to transmit to a computer for data readout, and lastly less maintenance cost.

IV. PARTIAL FUNDING (Itemized Priorities)

1. Benton Township station remodel-Current asking price
2. Life saving extrication tool set- Current asking price \$46,000
3. Gas reading device for better response and action- Current asking price \$6,500

V. SIGNIFICANT SOURCES OF REVENUE.

A. \$24,000 confirmed for Benton Township Fire Dept services, pending per budget approvals.

Fundraisers over the year rough estimate for 2019, \$2,000 dollars mostly confirmed.

B. Currently there have been no other sources of significant revenue. Regarding to the above line (A); fundraising is the other significant source of funding. We are currently waiting on grants soon to open up for apply. Currently some large grant pools have not opened yet. Time consideration at a volunteer dept also comes into play when writing grants, and applying for such. If the full tax revenue is to be released, this would be very huge for Benton Township and others in the community. Our other source of income from Benton Township Govt' Trustee, would assist in helping our volunteers manage and purchase items that are affordable and within means.

VI. REQUESTS FOR ONGOING FUNDING.

Looking into the future of Benton Township, future growth and expansion would depend on our current fire tax and cumulative fund set rates. Also not to mention consolidation with another fire dept on the table, joining budgets if this were to happen. Our current fire tax is set at .0939 per assessed valuation and

cumulative rates at .0288 . Securing Benton Township against property annexation would also be provisional. Joint grant writing with county departments as a whole would be beneficial as well.

VII. USE OF ANY FUNDS UNDER IC 6-3.6-6-8(c)

We at Benton Township, did receive the funds appropriated for use in 2019. The funds are currently being used for a mobile water supply fire truck as we speak. We are very grateful for this offering, and the truck will be placed in immediate service when delivered. Thank you.

VIII. SUPPORT FROM THE RELEVANT POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.

See attached..

IX. CONSOLIDATION OF SERVICES.

On the subject of consolidating, this has become quite the hot topic over the past few years. Benton Township as stated in past paragraphs, is contracted with Benton township Volunteers for fire and EMS response. We also have an automatic aid agreement with NMFT for dual response to fire and ems runs alike. This enhances our services for Benton Township and the residences, partially due to the fact, certain times of the day, we may not have any firefighters around to respond to the station. Prior to 2016, Benton township was active in joining the fire territory with Washington township, however in 2016, Benton township was dropped from the idea of joining, due to developments among advisory boards. Now 2019, Benton Township is actively looking into joining again with a larger unit. It is not set in stone, but the Territory and Fire District are the avenues. Meetings are in the works to decide the future of the station to improve response times, and practices when full time firefighters are reached. Remodeling the station would be the first step. What would benefit from these joining of township units ? Both units (Monroe Fire District and Northern Monroe Fire Territory) could provide more unified training, possible lower costs in insurance rates, ISO rates, availability of firefighters 24/7 at Benton Township, faster response times, reduced cost due to group purchase, and one important point, joint grant writing for expanded services. Back to the issue of annexation Senate bill 603, If Benton Township were to join a fire district, our land would be protected, and shall not

be taxed by a municipality. The tax rate would be cheaper noted, which could help some of Benton's residents on fixed incomes. We plan on having paid firefighters in the future looking forward, but no plan is set in stone just yet. There are options currently being assessed and discussed forging a plan. Funding our township under joint efforts of consolidation could help as well, providing much growth through set tax rates and laying set levy's across the board all the same ; and to mention joint township government funding and grant services.

X. LONG RANGE PLANS AND NEEDS.

Currently our dept is not a paid department with paid staff and expenditures regarding such. There was a plan written for a 5 year outlook that included paid staff coming to Benton Township, station upgrade, purchasing a mobile water supply fire truck, recruitment of the public for firefighters, New SCBA's, and full overhaul of communication infrastructure. Some of these have been met already, improving our station needs. Improving our station currently is of most importance, further implanting the seed of future growth for paid staff. Once completed, this will solidify and give better sight and make way for a fully furnished department ready for full service.

Please see attached for further paperwork regarding budgets and cash flows.

**Contract for Fire Protection & Emergency Services Between
Benton Township of Monroe County and
Benton Township of Monroe County Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.**

This Contract made by and between the Benton Township of Monroe County (hereinafter "Township") and the Benton Township of Monroe County Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. (hereinafter "Department") this 10th of October 2018, Witnesseth:

Whereas, the Department is engaged in the business of providing personnel to respond to emergency situations including but not limited to the fighting of fires, rescue, and emergency medical services and or any other such functions deemed appropriate for a volunteer fire company; and,

Whereas, the Township is a duly organized political subdivision and has the responsibility of providing fire protection for the citizens of Benton Township of Monroe County Indiana; and,

Whereas, the purpose of this agreement is to state the terms and conditions under which the Department will furnish emergency response personnel to fight fires, provide rescue and emergency medical services and perform those other activities commonly performed by volunteer fire companies.

NOW THEREFORE, the Township and Department agree as follows:

1. Relationship of Parties. The parties intend that a cooperative relationship will be created by this agreement. The Township is vitally interested in the results to be achieved, the conduct, and control of the work done by the Department. And, the Department's primary purpose is to support and assist the Township in protecting the life and property of the citizens of the Township.

2. Emergency Response Personnel. Through the use of volunteer firefighters, the Department agrees to provide to the Township the highest level of fire protection and emergency response services pursuant to Indiana statutory provisions and other governmental and legal rules, regulations and standards, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

a. A volunteer Firefighter means a firefighter:

- Who has volunteered to assist, either without compensation or for nominal compensation, in the fighting of all fires and providing emergency response with the Department.
- Who has made application in writing for membership in the Department.
- Who is elected or appointed to membership in the Department.
- Whose name has been entered upon the roster of firefighters that is kept by the Department, and that has at the time of his/her election and/or appointment taken and signed a pledge to comply with all orders that are given by the Chief, Asst. Chief, or other officers in charge of the Fire Department relative to any matter pertaining to the work of the Fire Department per IC 36-8-12-2.

b. The names, addresses, dates of birth, and driver's license numbers of all members shall be provided to the Trustee within three (3) business days of appointment to the Department

3. Term. The term of this contract shall be for one year, commencing the 16th of November, 2018, and ending November 15, 2019. However, in the event a new contract has not been executed prior to the ending date of this contract, the current contract will be extended by mutual agreement of both parties until a new contract can be executed. This agreement may be terminated by ninety (90) days written notice received by either party.

4. Administration. The Fire Chief (hereinafter "Chief") of the Department shall be appointed / elected by the Department and shall manage the professional and training activities of the Department.

a. In addition to managing the Department, the Chief shall provide certain information to the Township on a regular basis, including, but not limited to:

- A monthly run report to the Trustee.
- An annual report for the prior calendar year to be included with the Trustee's Annual Report in February of each year.
- An accounting for all funds provided to the Department by the Township.
- An inventory of all Township equipment provided to the Department.

b. The Chief shall also be responsible for the recruiting and providing of volunteers, the administration of personnel and facilities, to include assignment of duties, responsibilities and work schedules, discipline of personnel and settlement of personnel matters, all subject to the oversight of the Township.

5. Chain of Command. During all regular fire department activities, including the day to day management of the Department and emergency response activities, Department firefighters will be under the direction and control of the Chief, Assistant Chief, and all Line Officers. The firefighters will abide by all rules of the Department's by-laws, policies, and procedures. The chain of command may include members of the Department, recognized as line officers by the Chief and the Township. When no line officer is available, the highest-ranking firefighter shall assume command of the scene.

6. Equipment and Facilities. The Township agrees to provide the Department equipment and the use of those facilities set aside for fire protection and emergency response services. Equipment shall include, but, not be limited to apparatus, vehicles, tools, and personal protective equipment for the types of responses members of the Department may encounter. All equipment shall be compliant with current state and federal regulations.

In addition to the use of the Township facilities and certain real property, the Department is also granted authority to use said real property for the purpose of conducting regular Department business and social functions. Outside entities will be required to complete a blanket waiver before use (one blanket waiver per group per calendar year). Copies of completed waivers shall be provided to the Trustee prior to the use and shall be kept on file at the Trustee's office for insurance purposes.

7. Individual Firefighting and Personal Protective Equipment. The Township shall provide each firefighter with personal fire-fighting and protective equipment. The exact nature of the equipment will vary according to the current regulations and common practices employed by the parties and subject to the availability of funding. All such equipment shall be properly maintained by the firefighters and returned to the Township in good and serviceable condition upon request. Such

property shall remain the property of the Township. Firefighters who cause damage to the Township's property willfully, or through negligence shall be personally liable for the cost of replacement. Damage caused by normal wear and through the performance of fire-fighting activities will be the responsibility of the Township. Firefighters are expected to utilize the gear to the fullest extent and shall not respond to a scene or take action in any emergency situation on behalf of the Township without their appropriate personal protective equipment.

8. Maintenance of Equipment. The Township shall be responsible for overall maintenance of its facilities and departmental equipment repair costs subject to the availability of funding. Items of equipment purchased by the Department, and placed in service in the Department, shall be donated and become property of the Township to allow proper maintenance support and insurance coverage by the Township. When said equipment is to be removed from service and the Township has deemed it surplus, it may be donated back to the Department for sale or donation.

9. Insurance. The Township agrees to procure all necessary insurance on the Department's members as may be required by law, and shall provide liability insurance for use of the Township's equipment and facilities. The Township shall procure on-duty coverage of all medical, death, and liability insurance benefits for the Department's members and for the Township's employees provided to the Fire Department in accordance with applicable Indiana laws. There is no insurance coverage available for equipment that is purposefully destroyed or not returned.

10. Payment for Services. The Township will pay the Department the sum of twenty-three thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) for providing the services described in this agreement. Negotiations regarding the amount of funds sought by the Department shall commence no later than June 1 of the current contract year. The amount of payment for subsequent years shall be determined annually by the Trustee and the Township Board. This payment to the Department shall be in lieu of the payments for clothing and automobile allowances set forth in IC 36-8-12-5.

11. Department's Incorporation Status. The Department agrees to:

- Maintain its Indiana "Not for Profit" Incorporation Status and submit all reports and other data/or information as required by state and federal law in a timely manner to permit State Board of Accounts examination and to provide reports as prescribed by I.C. Sec. 5-11-1. *et. al.*
- The Department reserves the right to hold community based fund raising activities (i.e. chili supper, pancake breakfast, etc.).


12. Compliance with Law. The Department will comply with all Federal, State, and Local laws, rules, and regulations.

13. Indemnification. Regardless of whether or not separate, several, joint, or concurrent liability may be imposed upon the parties, the Township shall indemnify and hold the Department harmless from and against all damages, claims, and liabilities arising from or connected with the fire protection and emergency response services provided by the Department pursuant to this agreement, including without limitation, any damage or injury to person or property. The indemnification provided in this paragraph shall include all legal costs and attorney's fees reasonably incurred by the Department in connection with any such claim, action or proceeding.


14. **Department By-Laws.** The Department agrees to amend its by-laws to bring them in accordance with this Agreement, if necessary.

Signed this 5 day of November, 2018

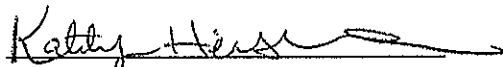
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Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.**




President



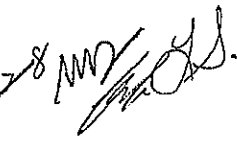
Vice President



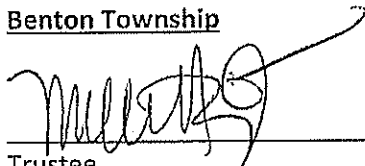
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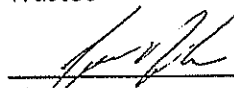
Treasurer

Signed this 10th day of October, 2017 

Benton Township

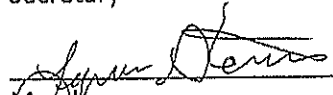


Trustee



Chair

Secretary



Member

Benton Township Vol. Fire Dept
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July 1st, 2019

City of Bloomington

Office of Common Council

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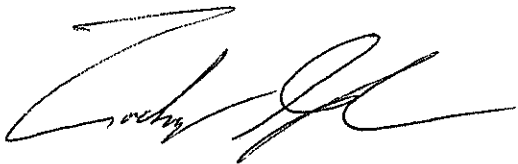
P.O. Box 100

Bloomington, Indiana 47402

To whom it may concern,

Benton Township VFD Inc. currently does not have any debt or debt consolidation that is currently being paid or loaned.

Thank you, Zachary Shaw Fire Chief Benton Township

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Zachary Shaw', written in a cursive style.

-2018 Benton Township VFD Inc. Cash Flow-

Starting Balance	\$17,089.93
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Expenses

Equipment	\$14,127.05
IVFA Dues	\$260.00
Auction Expenses	\$1,130.73
Business Expenses	\$132.32
Halloween Party	\$153.38
Gifts	\$332.93
Taxes	\$199.00
Insurance	\$359.10
Run Money Checks	\$23,199.00

Total Expenses	\$39,893.50
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Revenue

Contract Payment	\$23,000.00
Equipment Reimbursement	\$3,222.50
Timber Sale	\$2,500.00
Auction Revenue	\$4,923.02
Grants	\$5,000.00
Coke Machine	\$38.05
Interest	\$0.31
Other	\$60.00
Donations	\$230.00

Total Revenue	\$38,973.88
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Ending Balance	\$16,170.31
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**Benton Township, Monroe County, Indiana
Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2018**

Local Fund Number	Local Fund Name	Beg Cash & Inv Bal Jan 1, 2018	Receipts	Disbursement	End Cash & Inv Bal Dec 31, 2018
Governmental Activities					
0061	RAINY DAY FUND	\$34,726.03	\$69,722.85	\$0.00	\$104,448.88
0101	TOWNSHIP FUND	\$243,431.98	\$114,707.23	\$159,808.55	\$188,330.66
0840	TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$88,337.08	\$28,085.31	\$22,178.91	\$94,243.48
1111	FIRE FIGHTING FUND	\$340,836.22	\$355,349.29	\$293,810.69	\$402,374.82
1190	CUMULATIVE FIRE FUND	\$236,420.73	\$123,300.97	\$128,781.30	\$230,940.40
1312	RECREATION FUND	\$14,233.25	\$6,536.59	\$3,440.14	\$17,329.70
9999	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$478.74	\$3,708.42	\$4,187.16	\$0.00
	GRAND TOTAL	\$958,464.03	\$701,410.66	\$612,206.75	\$1,047,667.94

Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance		Budget Form No. 1 (Rev. 2002)				
Approved By State Board Of Accounts						
(Office, Board, Commission, Department, Institution or Fund)						
(If City, Town or Fire Protection District Budget, Enter Name)						
	For Calendar Year	Budget	Est Budget	Difference	Est Budget	Difference
	2019	Current Year	In Coming Year	Between Budget	In Coming Year	Between With
			Without PS LIT /	and Estimate	With PS LIT	and Without
			Allocation		Allocation	
1. PERSONAL SERVICES						
Salaries and Wages				\$ -		\$ -
Part Time Staff		25,275.00	25,275.00	\$ -	25,275.00	\$ -
Scheduled Overtime		3,000.00	3,000.00	\$ -	3,000.00	\$ -
Social Security/FICA		2,225.00	2,225.00	\$ -	2,225.00	\$ -
Worker's Compensation		5,000.00	5,000.00	\$ -	5,000.00	\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
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				\$ -		\$ -
Employee Benefits				\$ -		\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
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				\$ -		\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
Other Personal services				\$ -		\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
Total Personal Services		\$ 35,500.00	\$ 35,500.00	\$ -	\$ 35,500.00	\$ -
2. SUPPLIES						
Office Supplies				\$ -		\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
Operating Supplies						
Operating Supplies		5,000.00	5,000.00	\$ -	5,000.00	\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -
Repair and Maintenance Supplies						
Repair and Maintenance Supplies		5,000.00	5,000.00	\$ -	5,000.00	\$ -
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Other Supplies				\$ -		\$ -
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Total Supplies		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
3. OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES						
Professional Services						
Northern Moroe Fire Contract		\$ 265,000.00	\$ 265,000.00	\$ -	\$ 265,000.00	\$ -
Benton Volunteer FD Contract		\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ -	\$ 24,000.00	\$ -
				\$ -		\$ -

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
BENTON TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, INDIANA**

The Township Board (the "Board") of Benton Township of Monroe County, Indiana (the "Township") met at a duly called and authorized meeting of the Board held on the date set forth below, such meeting being called pursuant to a notice stating the time, place, and purpose of the meeting being received by all Board Members, and the following resolution was made, seconded, and adopted by a majority of those present at the meeting, which constituted a legal quorum of the Board.

WHEREAS, the Town of Ellettsville, City of Bloomington, Monroe County and Stinesville, by their fiscal bodies, are considering adoption of a public safety tax; and

WHEREAS, IC 6-3.5-6-31 allows for certain public safety providers, including fire Departments and volunteer fire departments, to request funding from revenues generated by the public safety tax, provided that certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Benton Township of Monroe County Volunteer Fire Department and Benton Township are entities that, under the language of the resolutions that have been passed or are likely to pass, are eligible to request funding from the Public Safety Local Income Tax Council on an annual basis;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BENTON TOWNSHIP BOARD THAT:

The Benton Township Board wishes to be on record that the Benton Township of Monroe County Volunteer Fire Department's request for a distribution of the public safety tax revenue is fully supported as follows:

Request: \$110,000 for Station 14 structural reinforcement and renovation; \$46,000 for extrication tools, and \$6,500 for 5 way gas meters.

DATED this 10th day of JULY, 2019

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Attest:

Michelle Bright, Township Trustee