Road Levy Fact Sheet

August 8, 2025

- The proposed 2-mill levy is expected to generate $560,000 per year, with an average cost to homeowners of $70.00 for every $100,000.00 in property valuation.

- The levy amount will remain fixed for the entire 5-year term and will not increase with new tax assessments.

- The funds generated will be allocated for general construction, reconstruction, and resurfacing, as well as repairs to streets, roads, and bridges. Additionally, the money can be used to purchase equipment, provided it is used for these purposes.

- Our plans include maintaining roads and streets through crack sealing, pothole repairs, and other miscellaneous road repairs.

- We aim to purchase equipment specifically for road work.

- Bethel Township is responsible for maintaining 58.9 miles of streets and roads.

- Currently, we employ 2 full-time and 4 part-time staff members.

With ongoing and upcoming developments along State Route 235, ranging from Interstate 70 to New Carlisle, our roads are about to experience significantly increased traffic. Notable projects include the Buc-ee's development, the new Rumpke Transfer Station, a truck company relocating across from Mel-O-Dee, and over 600 new homes planned north of New Carlisle.

These developments will lead to increased traffic, greater wear and tear, and higher demand for our roadway infrastructure. This levy will provide essential funds for equipment, materials, and manpower to maintain and enhance our roads.

\*\*Action Plan Items to Consider:\*\*

- Hire a full-time CDL driver and increase our road department personnel.

- Update the dump truck and mowers, both of which need to be replaced.

- Acquire equipment for tree and limb removal to ensure safety on roads for buses and drivers.

\*\*Road Priorities:\*\*

- Address areas of concern, such as Park Layne, which requires curbs, gutters, road repairs, and paving.

- Purchase materials for crack sealing, cold patching, and gravel for road maintenance.

- Major road repairs and paving are needed in Crystal Lakes.

***Prioritize and focus on repairing and repaving cut-through roads to effectively manage increased traffic, instead of using Route 235.***