Resolution #2015-01

TO APPROVE BALLOT LANGUAGE TO RENEW THE LEVY OF 1.5 MILLS FOR THREE YEARS TO RAISE DEDICATED FUNDING OF $141,000 PER YEAR FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE RECREATION PROGRAMS OF THE CITY OF ALBION

History: The recreation programs of the City of Albion are a critical component in the efforts of the City to provide recreational and educational experiences and activities for young people, adults, families, and senior citizens of the City of Albion. Taxes within the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) districts will be distributed as prescribed by law. The City of Albion provides after school activities for students in the City. Regularly levied operating millage and collected tax revenues are inadequate to fund the recreation programs to meet community needs. In order to obtain the necessary resources to continue the recreation programs, the voters of the City of Albion must vote to renew the current 1.5 mills for three (3) years to adequately fund the recreation program of the City of Albion. It is in the public interest that the Mayor and the City Council approve ballot language permitting the special election on May 5, 2015, to approve a millage levy of 1.5 mills for three (3) years on all the taxable property in the City of Albion for the continued operation of the City of Albion's recreation programs.

Council member Barnes, supported by Council member French, moved to approve the following resolution.

Resolved: that the following ballot proposal shall appear on the special election on the May 5, 2015 ballot as follows:

Shall the City of Albion renew the current levy of a total of one and one half mills ($1.50 per $1,000.00) on taxable value of property located in the City of Albion for three years beginning with the 2016 tax levy year and running through the 2018 tax levy year (inclusive), which will raise in the first year of such tax levy an estimated revenue of One Hundred Forty One Thousand Dollars ($141,000.00) to be used for the specific purpose of continuing to operate City of Albion recreation programs for young people, adults, families, and senior citizens? Taxes within the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) districts will be distributed as prescribed by law. If approved this would be a renewal of the current millage levy.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted on January 20, 2015 in a regular session of the Albion City Council and this is a true copy of that resolution.

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
Absent: 1 (Brown)

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