Resolution 12-07

Placing Proposed Millage for
Road Improvement on the Ballot

Whereas, pursuant to MCL 224.20b the St. Clair County Road Commission has the authority to request a millage be levied for highway, road and street purposes or for 1 or more specific highway, road or street purposes, including but not limited to bridges;

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of the St. Clair County Road Commission has requested a millage proposal be placed on the ballot pursuant to MCL 224.20b;

Whereas, if the proposed millage is passed, funds raised would be distributed pursuant to MCL 224.20b and would be used as matching funds necessary to obtain State and Federal highway improvement aid;

Whereas, Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 provides that the fifteen (15) mill limitation on property taxes therein imposed may be altered by a vote of the majority of the qualified electors of the County; and

Whereas, it is the desire of the Board of Commissioners to permit the electorate of the County to express its view on the question of whether a levy in the amount of .25 mills, for four years, be assessed on all real property located in St. Clair County.

Now, Therefore, Be it resolved that:

1. The Clerk of the County of St. Clair is hereby directed to place on the ballot for election of August 7, 2012 a proposition impose an additional .25 of a mill to be used to improve and maintain roads, streets and highways within St. Clair County and for use as matching funds necessary to obtain State and Federal highway improvement aid for use in St. Clair County, for a four year period, and that the proposition shall be placed on the ballot in the following form:

   Proposition 12-

   ROAD IMPROVEMENT MILLAGE

For the purpose of raising funds to be used to improve and maintain roads, streets and highways within St. Clair County and for use as matching funds necessary to obtain State and Federal highway improvement aid for use in St. Clair County, shall the Constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all property within the County of St. Clair, Michigan, be increased one-quarter (0.25) mill ($0.25 per thousand dollars of state taxable valuation) for a period of four (4) years, 2012 through 2015, inclusive? Based on the State of Michigan taxable values of real property, this millage would raise an estimated $1,361,219 in the first year it is levied.
2. Said election shall be held and conducted and the results of the said election shall be canvassed in accordance with the provisions of the State law pertaining to the submission of such questions to the electors entitled to vote thereon and that the County Clerk of St. Clair County and the Treasurer of St. Clair County shall do and perform all acts required by law for the calling and effecting of such election, and that the said Clerk shall within five (5) days of said election file with the County Treasurer for St. Clair County a certified copy of the official declaration of the results of said election.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of St. Clair, on the __th day of March, 2012.

Dated: _______________________

Reviewed and Approved by:

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