

Resolution 14-05

Placing Proposed Renewal for Library System Operating Millage on Ballot

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of the County of St. Clair recognizes the value the County of St. Clair Library System provides to its citizens; and

Whereas, it is recognized the Library System provides services including patron education on the use of technology, data bases for informational use at home and in the library, wireless access at all our facilities, a collection of library materials including new recorded book titles, six (6) day per week delivery service, branch hours of operation including full day Saturday service, periodical collections, staff training and expanded free programs to all of our patrons; and

Whereas, revenues have decreased due to declining penal fine collection amounts, reduced State Aid funding, cost allocation increases and the elimination of the single business tax; and

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 continuation of funding for the operation of the County Library System.

Now, Therefore, Be it resolved that:

The Clerk of the County of St. Clair is hereby directed to place on the ballot for the primary election of August 5, 2014, a proposition to renew the imposition of an addition not to exceed .7 tenths of a mill to be used primarily for funding the operation of County Library System for an eight year period, and that the proposition shall be placed on the ballot in the following form:

Proposition _____

RENEWAL OF THE LIBRARY SYSTEM OPERATING MILLAGE

1. Shall St. Clair County levy a Library System Operating Millage of .7 mills per year, constituting a renewal of a previously authorized millage of .7 mills, for a period of eight (8) years, 2014 through 2021, generating estimated tax revenues for the first year the millage is authorized and levied of approximately \$3,812,000 to be used and disbursed for the sole purpose of providing operating funds for the St. Clair County Library System and branches in the Village of Capac, the Townships of Burtchville, Clay, Ira and Kimball and the Cities of Algonac, Marine City, Marysville, Memphis, Port Huron, St. Clair and Yale?
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 20th day of March 2014.

Dated: March 20, 2014

Reviewed and Approved by:



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