



Town of Beaver Dam



Referendum Information



Why Referendum?

- ? Fire and EMS contract with City of Beaver Dam will increase over \$70,000 from 2022 to 2023 and more beyond.
- ? Town cannot cover increased cost without pulling funds from other areas.
 - ? For example, Police, Road Maintenance or Road Repair.
- ? Previous years Town has taken loan to repair and maintain roads, currently no funds remain in loan.
- ? Additional Road Maintenance and Road Repair costs have increased.
- ? City of Beaver Dam has annexed tax base from Town over last several years in partnership with Landowners interest, reducing tax income from Town.



CLARIFICATIONS

- ? Town did ask for referendum in recent past.
 - ? Referendum passed, but due to legislation, Town was not able to move forward with referendum, money was returned to residents.
- ? Levy for Town is \$1.67.
- ? This referendum would only impact approximately 10.5% of overall taxes, the Town's portion.
 - ? For example, if your home is assessed at \$200,000, in 2022 you paid approx. \$336 to the Town. With the referendum, that would increase to approx. \$588 in 2023.



What does this mean for your tax bill?

- ? Town of Beaver Dam Mill Rate Portion: \$1.67
- ? Total 2022 Tax: \$2,211.01
- ? School Portion: \$1,092.41 (49.42%)
- ? Dodge County Portion: \$808.66 (36.57%)
- ? Town of Beaver Dam Portion: \$222.85 (10.08%)
- ? MPTC Portion: \$87.09 (3.93%)

- ? Currently the Town of Beaver Dam receives 10.08% of overall tax
- ? The referendum would increase Town portion roughly 76.7%
- ? A difference of \$169.37 in example shown above, increasing Town tax from \$222.85 to \$392.22

Fire and EMS Costs

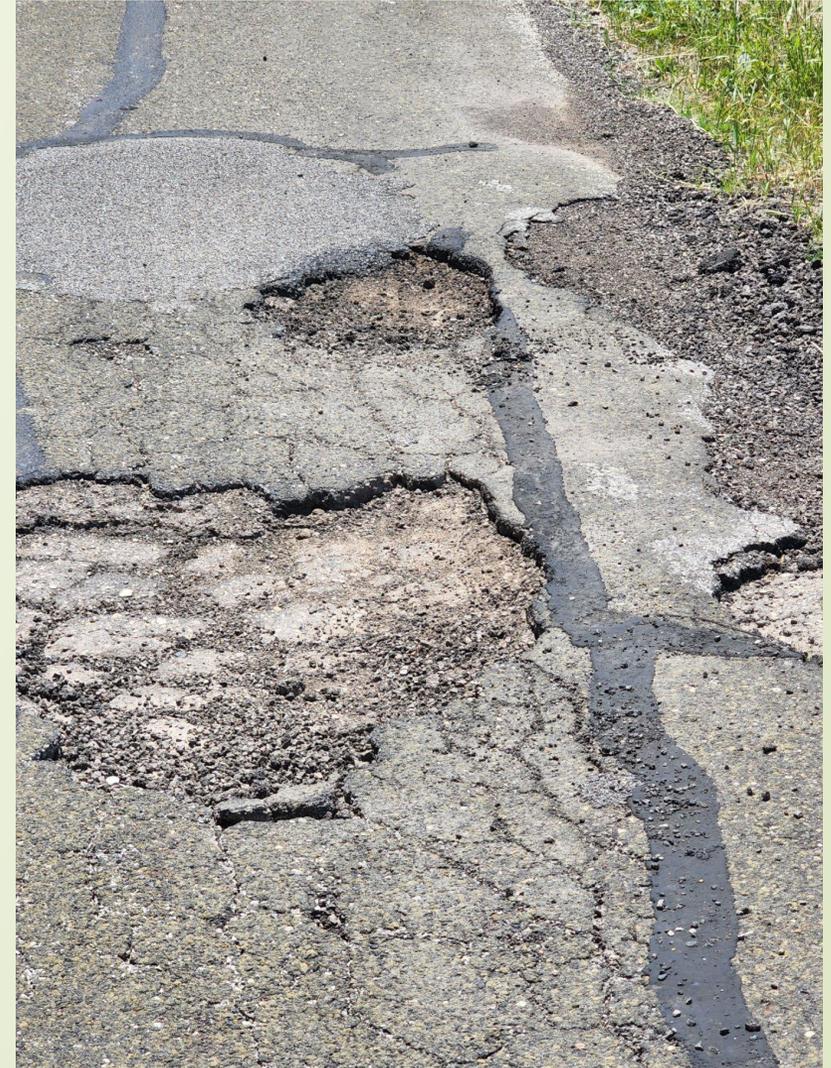
- ? Town of Beaver Dam is part of Rural Fire Association, below is previous three years of payments for Fire and EMS services.
- ? City of Beaver Dam does offer premium services.
- ? Town did explore other options, partnership with Rural Fire Association and City of Beaver Dam is best option for Town.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fire	\$41,357	\$54,138	\$49,885	\$50,519	\$44,356
EMS	\$184,456	\$192,501	\$176,570	\$179,552	\$256,503
TOTAL	\$225,813	\$246,639	\$226,455	\$230,071	\$300,859

- ? Fire and EMS is an estimate as costs are associated with # of calls, equalized value and population served.
- ? Cost also vary as staff changes occur with Fire and EMS.

Increase Cost for Goods and Services

- ? Like most everything now, cost of goods and services has increased.
- ? Roads are a major concern for the Town and those costs have gone up as well.
 - ? To pulverize, grade, install 3 inch asphalt and add gravel shoulder for a 22 foot wide road, cost is \$215,000 per mile
- ? Plow truck needs to be replaced to continue to plow with 4 trucks
 - ? \$205,000 is quote to replace truck, no price guarantee
- ? Mower and tractor will need repair or replacement, approx. \$100,000





Referendum is Needed

- ? To continue to offer premier Fire and EMS services
- ? Maintain and upkeep roads
- ? Without referendum, we will have no funds to replace any roads in 2023
- ? Without referendum, snow removal efficiency may be affected
- ? Without referendum Town will have to borrow money which will include interest which will have to be covered by the taxpayers