

FACT SHEET

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR POLICE AND FIRE

1. General Fund deficit

- a. 100% of the Township Operating Millage is annually transferred to the Police and Fire budgets (\$7,752,500 for 2018) causing a deficit to the General Fund. The special assessment will enable the Township to reduce the annual transfer to Police and Fire by \$1,000,000 to eliminate the General Fund deficit

2. Hire up to 9 Police Officers

- a. 27 officers have been lost as a result of the Great Recession, we will replace up to 1/3

3. Hire up to 5 Fire Fighters/Paramedics

- a. 3 fire fighters were lost as a result of the Great Recession

4. Replace up to 9 police and fire vehicles each year (see attached sheet)

a. FIRE VEHICLES

- i. Fire engines average age is 17 years
- ii. Special response vehicles average age is 16 years
- iii. Rescue vehicles average age is 6 years
- iv. Command vehicles average age is 12 years
- v. Staff vehicles average age is 12 ½ years

b. POLICE VEHICLES

- i. 42 vehicles, average age is 5 years, all very high mileage

5. Repair and maintenance of 6 Police and Fire buildings

- a. Police Headquarters
- b. Fire Headquarters
- c. 4 satellite Waterford Fires Stations