

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES REFERENDUM

Dear Resident,

On May 20, 2024, the Twin Lakes Village Board approved including a referendum question that would fund the cost of providing 24-hour emergency medical services to the Village on the August 13th Ballot.

The residents of Twin Lakes have relied on EMS volunteers to respond to emergency medical calls. Like many other communities throughout the state, the number of EMS volunteers are drastically declining while the volume of calls continues to rise. The additional funding will allow the Village to be serviced by full-time, paid, professional personnel which will ensure a high quality of care and a quick response to calls.

Please take the time to read through this information. We invite you to attend our Town Hall Meeting on *Monday, July 22nd* beginning at 6:30 pm. These will also be livestreamed on our Facebook Page. As residents ourselves, we strongly believe this is a crucial time to improve our EMS service to the community. Emergency Medical Services is something that can affect each one of us some point in our lives.

Sincerely,

Howard Skinner Village President

WHY DO WE NEED THIS?

The number of emergency calls has increased over the years while the number of EMS volunteers that are able to respond to calls are drastically decreasing. Twin Lakes is challenged with increased response times that put residents at risk. In 2021, P.O.P. (paid on premises) program started This program was successful for the first few years but has not corrected the need for 24-hour coverage, the increase call volume, and the decrease in volunteers, or time volunteers can give. This is why we are advancing to the next step of providing 24-hour coverage with full-time staff to provide medical professionals for our citizens.

 Year
 Call Volume

 2018
 852

 2023
 1081

WHAT DOES THIS INCLUDE?

If approved, the money will fund up to 4 full-time, paid, emergency medical service positions.

WHAT IS THE TAX IMPACT?

The Village is asking voters to increase the tax levy by \$526,436 or an estimated increase of \$54/\$100K of assess property value.

Property Value	Per Year
per \$100,000	\$54.00













TOWN HALL MEETING

MONDAY, JULY 22ND 6:30 PM 105 E MAIN STREET, TWIN LAKES, WI

REFERENDUM QUESTION

Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Village of Twin Lakes for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to 1.577%, which results in a levy of \$4,506,342. Shall the Village of Twin Lakes be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for the purpose of providing funding for four (4) emergency medical service positions, by a total of 11.682%, which results in a levy of \$5,032,778, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$526,436 for each fiscal year going forward?





FOR MORE INFORMATION

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