

August 30, 2022

The Ellettsville, Indiana, Town Council met for a Budget Work Session on Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at the Ellettsville Town Hall Meeting Room located at 1150 W. Guy McCown Drive and by Zoom. William Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Members present were William Ellis, President; Pam Samples and Dan Swafford. Trevor Sager attended by zoom. Scott Oldham was absent. Sandra Hash, Clerk-Treasurer and Mike Farmer, Town Manager and were also present.

Supervisors present: Kevin Patton, Kip Headdy, Denise Line, Jimmie Durnil and Jeff Farmer

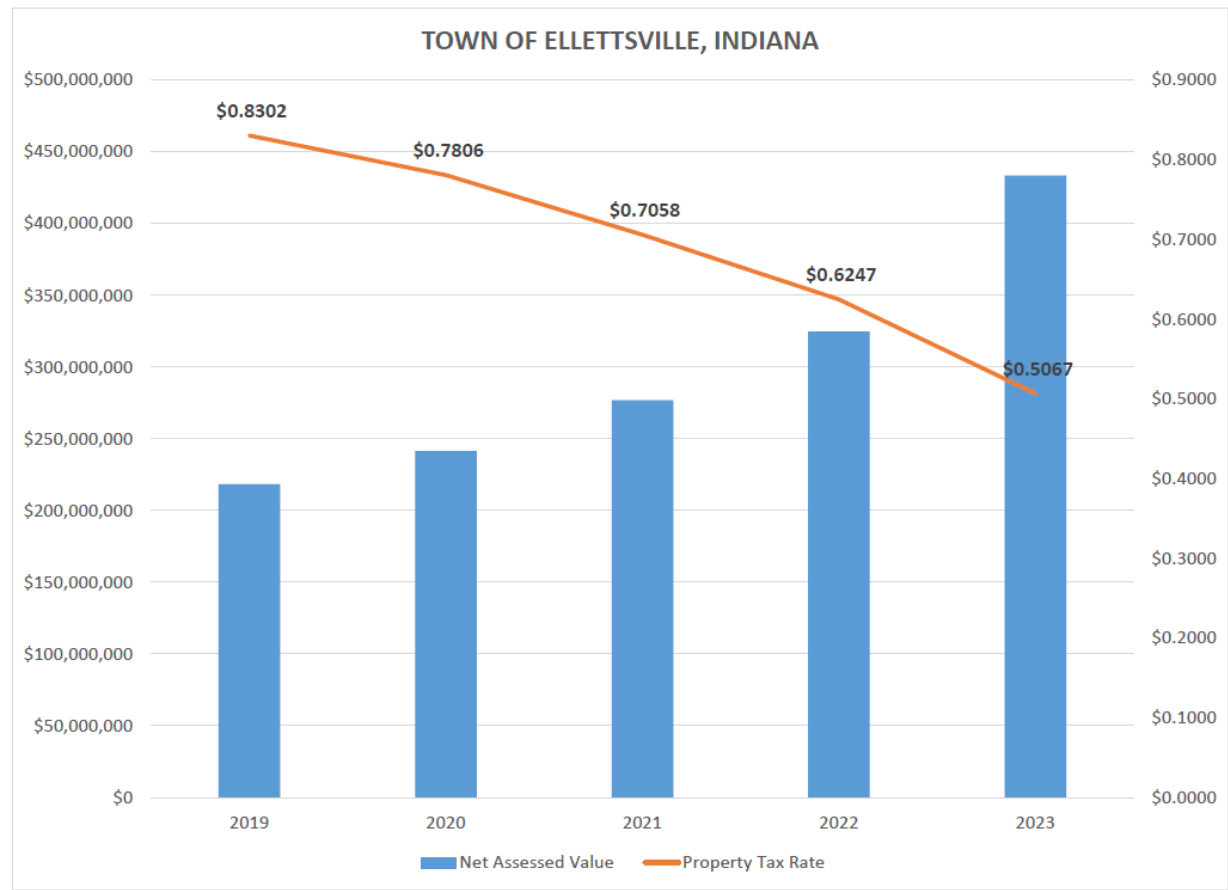
Paige Sansone, CPA and Partner of Bakertilly Municipal Advisors, presented the following information concerning the 2023 budget.

Summary of the 2023 Budget

Selected Funds	Fund #	A	B	C	D	E	F
		Est. Cash Balance 01/01/2023	Receipts (1)	Disbursements (2)	Est. Ending Cash 12/31/2023 (3)	Net Cash Flow (4)	Cash Reserves (as a % of disbursements) (5)
General	1101	\$ 1,605,390	\$ 3,252,866	\$ 3,252,866	\$ 1,605,390	\$ -	49.4%
LIT Public Safety	2240	223,133	196,748	228,390	191,491	(31,642)	83.8%
Debt Service Fire & Police	3318	148,323	297,177	297,000	148,500	177	50.0%
Local Road & Street	2202	172,880	103,493	132,000	144,373	(28,507)	109.4%
Motor Vehicle Hwy (includes Restricted)	2201 & 2203	207,486	686,849	754,769	139,566	(67,920)	18.5%
Cumulative Fire Building	4425	107,545	292,425	293,411	106,559	(986)	36.3%
Parks & Rec	2204	6,556	73,152	73,152	6,556	-	9.0%
Cum Capital Improve Cig Tax	4401	20,179	12,841	12,841	20,179	-	157.1%
Cumulative Capital Development	4402	146,123	212,314	210,900	147,537	1,414	70.0%
LIT Economic Development	2209	-	1,345,387	1,176,437	168,950	168,950	14.4%

Notes:
(1) Matching recurring disbursements to projected receipts in Column B will result in a balanced budget.
(2) Disbursements in Column C represent the 2023 budget as proposed by the Town.
(3) A negative number in Column D means that the proposed budget is unfunded.
(4) A negative number in Column E means that cash reserves will be utilized to fund the proposed budget.
(5) Cash reserves in major operating funds should not fall below 15% of budgeted disbursements.

Tax Rates 2019-2023



2023 Total Working Max Levy 1,912,647

General 1,181,775
MVH 295,774
Cum Fire 144,297
Park 74,140
CCD 216,661

2022 Assessed Value 324,590,229
2023 Assessed Value 433,322,775 Increase 108,732,546

Paige explained the assessed value for the Town has grown by 25% over the past year, with a five year average of 14%. The states growth quotient is 5%. When the municipal growth exceeds the state rate for 3 years the municipality is qualified to apply for a levy appeal. Ellettsville qualifies for an additional 149,000 in tax levy. This would be a permanent increase.

As shown in the tax rate chart the tax rate has dropped over the last five years from .8302 to a projected .5067 in 2023. The levy appeal would raise the tax rate by .0343, for a total of .5410. The levy could be raised an additional .0837 with a 3 year 1,000,000 general liability bond that could be used for equipment or capital expenditures. This would maintain the current rate of .6247. Paige added once the tax rate falls it is difficult to raise it back up. The levy appeal requires an excess levy appeal petition with certification from the Town Council. This would need to be completed at the September 12th Council Meeting in order to get it published on the gateway by September 16th, the deadline in order to have the pre adoption budget meeting September 26th with final adoption October 10, 2023.

William Ellis expressed concern about the affect the rate would have on individual tax payers, this lead to a discussion on tax rates and assessments.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

William Ellis, President

Trevor Sager, Vice President

Scott Oldham

Pamela Samples

Dan Swafford

Sandra C. Hash, Clerk-Treasurer, IAMC, MMC