

2026 BUDGET HEARINGS

Time:

August 18, 2025

Bainbridge Township

Janice Sugarman, Fiscal Officer and Trustee, Kristina O'Brien and Terry Rose, Bookkeeper

attended the hearing representing Bainbridge Township.

General Fund	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$ 1,425,200.70
	Estimated Revenue	\$2,018,852.00
	Estimated Expense *	\$2,836,676.25
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	\$ 607,376.45

Requested \$2,008,026.81 *Revenue Considered* \$2,018,852.00

UDLG updated to 98% of 2026 estimate

* Includes Trans Out 550,000

Road & Bridge	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$547,872.38
	Estimated Revenue	\$4,024,845.86
	Estimated Expense *	\$3,947,600.00
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	\$ 625,118.24

Requested \$4,024,845.86 *Revenue Considered* \$4,024,845.86 includes Transfer-in of 50K and sale of assets 100K

Police Fund	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$653,807.97
	Estimated Revenue	\$4,151,477.00
	Estimated Expense *	\$4,098,000.00
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	\$ 707,284.97

Requested \$4,151,476.00 *Revenue Considered* \$4,151,477.00

* Includes Trans Out of 70,000

Fire Fund	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$908,233.40
	Estimated Revenue	\$4,764,256.00
	Estimated Expense *	\$4,884,865.00
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	\$ 787,624.40

Requested \$4,764,256.00 *Revenue Considered* \$4,764,256.00

*includes Trans Out of 500,000

Special assessments (lighting)

Budget reflects collection of \$ 8,600.00

Project #20-403 thru 406

Total millage for Tax Year 2025 (2026 Collection)		Levies on the Nov. 2025 Ballot
1.30	Inside General Fund	Auditor has certified a 2M Road Renewal Yield: 835,134
1.70	Inside Road & Bridge	
5.00	Outside Road & Bridge	
12.25	Outside Police	
10.10	Outside Fire	
30.35	Total Mills	

Based on Tax Year 2024 (2025 Collection) values, 1.0 "New/Additional" Mill will yield \$833,400

Bainbridge has also submitted five year plans

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General Fund Reserve	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$ 139,000.00
	Estimated Revenue	\$500,000.00
	Estimated Expense *	\$300,000.00
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	<u>\$ 339,000.00</u>

Maximum Amt \$3,440,000.00 *Current balance thru CY24* \$1,439,000.00

Road & Bridge Reserve	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$400,000.00
	Estimated Revenue	\$0.00
	Estimated Expense	\$0.00
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	<u>\$ 400,000.00</u>

Maximum Amt \$3,440,000.00 *Current balance thru CY24* \$400,000.00

Police Fund Reserve	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$399,000.00
	Estimated Revenue	\$70,000.00
	Estimated Expense	\$0.00
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	<u>\$ 469,000.00</u>

Maximum Amt \$1,995,000.00 *Current balance thru CY24* \$769,500.00

Fire Fund Reserve	Estimated 1/1/2026 Unencumbered Cash Balance	\$500,000.00
	Estimated Revenue	\$500,000.00
	Estimated Expense	\$0.00
	Estimated 12/31/2026 Cash Balance	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>

Maximum Amt \$4,863,280.00 *Current balance thru CY24* \$1,000,000.00

TIF	Actual 1/1/2025 bal	Est Revenue	Est Expense	Est Balance	Term	Effective
Fund 4905 #1	1,398,841.98	500,000.00	396,000.00	1,502,841.98	10 years	Tax year 2019
Fund 4906 #2	170,826.81	70,000.00	10,100.00	230,726.81	10 years	Tax year 2020
Fund 4907 #3	26,055.80	15,000.00	1,100.00	39,955.80	10 years	Tax year 2020

Reviewed by Geauga County Budget Commission: 5/20/2024

Any remaining balance at the end of the term will revert to the: 1000 General Fund

Reviewed by Geauga County Budget Commission: 5/20/2024

Any remaining balance at the end of the term will revert to the: **2031 Road & Bridge Fund**

Reviewed by Gauga County Budget Commission: 5/20/2024

Any remaining balance at the end of the term will revert to the: **2081 Police Fund**

Reviewed by Geauga County Budget Commission: 6/2/2025

Any remaining balance at the end of the term will revert to the: 2191 Fire Levy Fund



Geauga County Budget Commission

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Bainbridge Township
Janice Sugarman, Fiscal Officer
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Dear Janice,

June 26, 2025

In preparation for the Annual Tax Budget Hearings, your 2026 tax budget has been reviewed and may require additional information. In an effort to be proactive, the Budget Commission is notifying you in advance of the hearings.

The following items may have been noted:

	Tax revenue does not match estimates, or does not include Schedule B
	State revenue (LGF, MVL, Twp. Permissive) is under/over estimated
	Transfers out/Transfers in do not balance
	Expenses exceed revenue – New Levy?
	Debt Service requirements – source of repayment is not identified
	Copy of advertisement of Budget not received
Reviewed	

Sincerely,

Kristen Sinatra and Tammy Most, Budget Commission Clerks

**Comparison of Budget versus Actual
Bainbridge Township**

General Fund	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Estimated Balance	3,326,023	2,161,281	1,467,234	914,312	772,390	1,128,969	1,239,944	1,180,457	1,034,712	1,490,660	1,433,104
Actual Beginning Balance	3,931,430	2,009,420	1,455,978	1,416,578	1,418,753	2,010,599	2,361,072	2,199,402	2,189,940	2,457,869	2,000,374
							BA \$600				
Estimated Revenue	1,322,800	1,327,536	1,369,321	1,329,693	1,218,139	1,316,669	1,267,433 *	1,325,724	1,541,674	1,603,126	1,827,896
Actual Revenue	1,309,258	1,306,625	1,280,441	1,419,308	1,720,261	1,819,416	1,693,518	1,702,504	1,967,258	2,551,887	
Estimated Expense	1,502,880	2,009,111	1,771,602	1,751,752	1,761,393	1,848,018	2,106,634	2,226,789	1,710,421	2,416,002	2,206,754
Actual Expense	3,231,384	1,860,066	1,319,841	1,298,596	1,248,570	1,327,480	1,855,188	1,712,066	1,699,401	3,009,381	
							Trans out \$51,096	Trans out \$51,486	Trans out \$59,207		
Estimated Ending Balance	3,145,943	1,479,706	1,279,952	456,203	229,136	597,620	330,744	221,085	865,965	677,784	1,054,246
Actual Ending Balance	2,009,420	1,455,978	1,416,578	1,418,754	2,010,599	2,360,472	2,199,402	2,189,940	2,457,869	2,000,374	
				* 2022 value is less \$120,000 transfer out							
Road & Bridge	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Estimated Balance	1,956,399	2,715,890	2,101,554	2,762,111	1,728,525	900,118	1,550,134	1,048,563	95,391	201,620	465,568
Actual Beginning Balance	3,188,696	3,106,150	3,373,942	3,352,706	3,307,866	2,732,584	2,783,920	2,445,623	1,504,295	1,262,957	1,349,182
								BA 1483.82			
Estimated Revenue	3,149,848	3,189,702	3,232,930	3,314,246	3,334,419	3,248,431	3,149,635	3,356,551	3,472,687	3,610,817	3,936,722
Actual Revenue	4,348,730	3,296,546	3,382,866	3,447,723	3,467,224	3,464,706	3,408,655	3,664,482	3,584,253	3,926,506	
Estimated Expense	4,766,350	4,026,000	4,030,500	4,706,892	5,047,500	4,144,980	4,691,500	4,499,500	2,964,000	3,262,025	3,787,950
Actual Expense	4,431,275	3,028,754	3,404,102	3,492,564	4,086,395	3,478,016	3,798,139	4,607,294	3,825,591	3,840,281	
Estimated Ending Balance	339,897	1,879,592	1,303,984	1,405,515	15,444	3,569	58,269	5,614	604,078	550,412	614,340
Actual Ending Balance	3,106,150	3,373,942	3,352,706	3,307,865	2,732,584	2,783,920	2,445,623	1,504,295	1,262,957	1,349,182	

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Fire Operating	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Estimated Balance	2,074,062	2,864,342	3,223,383	3,045,550	2,320,501	2,117,306	1,853,793	1,441,438	773,129	608,507	550,144
Actual Beginning Balance	2,708,343	3,553,528	4,088,185	4,367,974	4,388,567	4,351,325	4,238,334	2,070,117	1,548,469	1,339,867	1,114,766
Estimated Revenue	2,318,578	2,325,313	2,322,832	2,326,634	2,349,976	2,383,818	2,337,396	2,441,568	2,469,123	2,478,599	2,499,438
Actual Revenue	2,560,056	2,527,355	2,461,216	2,432,689	2,514,514	2,562,177	2,605,071	2,605,339	2,577,197	2,593,530	
Estimated Expense	2,179,975	3,414,065	3,146,788	3,694,800	2,920,700	3,401,500	3,499,450	3,876,250	3,175,161	2,963,363	2,744,577
Actual Expense	1,714,871	1,992,698	2,181,427	2,412,095	2,551,757	2,652,874	4,773,287	3,126,987	2,785,798	2,818,631	
Estimated Ending Balance	2,212,665	1,775,590	2,399,427	1,677,384	1,749,777	1,099,624	691,739	6,756	67,091	123,743	305,005
Actual Ending Balance	3,553,528	4,088,185	4,367,974	4,388,568	4,351,325	4,238,334	2,070,117	1,548,469	1,339,867	1,114,766	
Police	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Estimated Balance	1,390,151	1,613,431	1,953,820	1,378,342	1,625,545	1,770,901	2,578,433	3,425,209	2,619,427	2,150,675	2,056,275
Actual Beginning Balance	1,984,515	1,852,967	1,690,140	2,330,876	3,026,841	3,768,341	4,440,533	4,613,233	4,414,318	3,779,457	3,158,983
Estimated Revenue	2,778,242	2,715,695	3,772,541	3,819,825	3,858,273	3,914,002	3,837,908	4,009,024	4,054,328	4,070,403	4,104,664
Actual Revenue	2,856,489	2,818,444	3,973,561	4,090,608	4,106,694	4,176,975	4,112,632	4,268,298	4,213,430	4,233,086	
Estimated Expense	3,142,059	3,073,020	3,479,982	4,171,718	4,510,500	3,977,000	4,375,000	5,219,450	4,632,000	5,033,788	4,745,266
Actual Expense	2,988,038	2,981,271	3,332,826	3,394,642	3,365,193	3,504,783	3,939,932	4,467,213	4,848,290	4,853,561	
Estimated Ending Balance	1,026,333	1,256,106	2,246,379	1,026,449	973,318	1,707,903	2,041,341	2,214,783	2,041,755	1,187,290	1,415,673
Actual Ending Balance	1,852,967	1,690,140	2,330,876	3,026,842	3,768,341	4,440,533	4,613,233	4,414,318	3,779,457	3,158,983	

