

ORDINANCE NO. #2025-09

TAX LEVY ORDINANCE

CITY OF BENTON, ILLINOIS

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE CITY OF BENTON, ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON MAY 01, 2026 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2027.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENTON, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, ILLINOIS.

SECTION ONE:

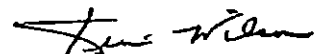
THAT THE AMOUNTS HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE AUTHORIZED BY LAW, AS MAY BE NEEDED AND SAME IS HEREBY LEVIED FOR SUCH PURPOSES AS: GENERAL CORPORATE, FIRE PROTECTION, POLICE PROTECTION, AUDIT, GENERAL LIABILITY, WORKER'S COMPENSATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE, MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT, POLICE PENSION AND FIREMEN PENSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF SAID CITY OF BENTON, ILLINOIS, COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF MAY 2026 AND ENDING THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL 2027.

SECTION TWO:

THAT THE AMOUNTS LEVIED FOR EACH OBJECT AND PURPOSE AS ARE FOLLOWS:

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FRANKLIN COUNTY CLERK

SAID AMOUNTS ARE HEREBY LEVIED:

GENERAL CORPORATE (C. 65-ILCS 5/8-3-1)	137,000.00
FIRE PROTECTION (C.65-ILCS 5/11-7-1)	23,000.00
POLICE PROTECTION (C.65-ILCS 5/11-1-3)	23,000.00
TOTAL AMOUNT LEVIED	\$183,000.00

OTHER FUNDS:

21 AUDIT FUND

EXPENDITURES:

431 ACCOUNTING SERVICES
TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$60,000.00

SAID AMOUNT IS HEREBY LEVIED **\$65,000.00**

22 INSURANCE FUND

EXPENDITURES:

415 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
416 WORKERS COMPENSATION
466 LIABILITY INSURANCE
514 TORT JUDGMENT
TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$410,000.00

GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (C. 745 ILCS 10/9-107)
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (C. 745 ILCS 10/9-107)
WORKERS COMPENSATION (C. 745 ILCS 10/9-107)

SAID AMOUNT IS HEREBY LEVIED **\$320,000.00**

24 SOCIAL SECURITY AND MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT

EXPENDITURES:

413 ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT
414 SOCIAL SECURITY
518 MEDICARE
TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$309,000.00

ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT (C. 40 ILCS 5/7-171)

SAID AMOUNT IS HEREBY LEVIED **\$90,000.00**

SOCIAL SECURITY EXPENSE (C. 40 ILCS 5/7-171)

SAID AMOUNT IS HEREBY LEVIED **\$90,000.00**

30 AIRPORT FUND

EXPENDITURES:

421 MAINTENANCE BUILDING
422 MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT
433 LEGAL
441 POSTAGE
442 TELEPHONE
443 PUBLISHING
461 UTILITIES
469 OTHER CONTRACTUAL SERVICES
482 GAS-OIL
483 OPERATING EXPENSES
491 BUILDING SUPPLIES
514 TAXES
30 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS
TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$ 42,000.00
AIRPORT FUND (C. 65 ILCS 5/11-103-16)

TOTAL AMOUNT HEREBY LEVIED

\$ 42,000.00

81 FIREMEN PENSION FUND

EXPENDITURES:

431 ACCOUNTING SERVICE
433 LEGAL SERVICES
434 MEDICAL SERVICES
439 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
518 PENSION PAYMENTS
519 MISCELLANEOUS
TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$ 178,000.00

FIREMEN PENSION FUND (C. 40 ILCS 5/3-125)

TOTAL AMOUNT IS HEREBY LEVIED

\$155,000.00

82 POLICE PENSION FUND

431 EXPENDITURES:
433 LEGAL SERVICES
435 MEDICAL SERVICES
439 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
518 PENSION PAYMENTS
519 MISCELLANEOUS
TOTAL EXPENDITURES: \$ 236,000.00

POLICE PENSION FUND (C. 40 ILCS 5/4-11 8)

TOTAL AMOUNT IS HEREBY LEVIED \$375,000.00

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX LEVY FOR THE CITY OF BENTON, ILLINOIS,
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN FOR 2026 PAYABLE 2027:**

\$1,320,000.00

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TAX LEVY SUMMARY

GENERAL CORPORATE	\$137,000.00
FIRE PROTECTION	\$23,000.00
POLICE PROTECTION	\$23,000.00
AUDIT FUND	\$65,000.00
INSURANCE FUND: GENERAL LIABILITY WORKERS COMPENSATION UNEMPLOYMENT	
TOTAL INSURANCE FUND:	\$320,000.00
ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$90,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$90,000.00
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT	\$42,000.00
FIREMEN PENSION FUND	\$155,000.00
POLICE PENSION FUND	\$375,000.00
TOTAL AMOUNT LEVIED FOR 2026 PAYABLE 2027	\$1,320,000.00
TOTAL REPRESENTS A 0.987% INCREASE	

SECTION THREE:

THAT THE CITY CLERK OF SAID CITY OF BENTON SHALL MAKE AND FILE WITH THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, A DULY CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE IS REQUIRED BY SAID CITY OF BENTON AND EXTENDED UPON THE APPROPRIATE TAX BOOKS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF SAID CITY OF BENTON BEGINNING MAY 01, 2026 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2027.

SECTION FOUR:

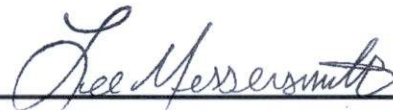
PARTIAL INVALIDITY: IF ANY SECTION, SUBDIVISION OR SENTENCE OF THIS ORDINANCE IS FOR ANY REASON HELD INVALID OR TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL, SUCH DECISION SHALL NOT AFFECT THE VALIDITY OF THE REMAINING PORTION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

SECTION FIVE:

THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AFTER ITS ADOPTION, AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025 PURSUANT TO ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Conflict
Mayor Messersmith	<u>✓</u>	—	—	—	—
Commissioner Kays	<u>✓</u>	—	—	—	—
Commissioner Storey	<u>✓</u>	—	—	—	—
Commissioner Garavalia	<u>✓</u>	—	—	—	—
Commissioner Cockrum	<u>✓</u>	—	—	—	—

X 

Lee Messersmith
Mayor

ATTEST:

X 

BROOK CRAIG
CITY CLERK

CERTIFICATE

THE UNDERSIGNED, PRESIDING CHIEF OFFICER OF THE CITY OF BENTON, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT I AM THE ACTING MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BENTON, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN ILLINOIS, AND AS SUCH PRESIDING CHIEF OFFICER I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE TAX LEVY ORDINANCE #2025-09 A COPY OF WHICH IS APPENDED HERETO, WAS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO, AND IN ALL RESPECTS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 4 THROUGH 7 OF THE "TRUTH IN TAXATION ACT."

THIS NOTICE AND HEARING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 6 OF THIS ACT ARE INAPPLICABLE.

THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 7 IS INAPPLICABLE.

DATED THIS 10th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

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Lee Messersmith
Mayor

ATTEST:

X 

BROOK CRAIG
CITY CLERK

