

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Outline budget before asking for park millage

At the April 20 Bedford Township Board meeting, two township trustees said that the proposed millage for our parks would cost approximately \$17.50 a year for a home valued at \$200,000. This millage would be for maintenance and upgrades of our parks.

Here is my fuzzy math thinking: According to Bedford Township, we have approximately 14,150 parcels of homes, businesses, industries, lots, farm land, etc., that will be taxed if the millage passes. Let's say that the overall values of these properties average \$100,000. So annually we would be taxed about \$8.50 each times the 14,150 parcels. That is an approximate

\$120,275.00 increase per year for five working parks, and one in process on Lewis Ave., for maintenance, upgrades, etc. Maybe we should see a park budget showing where this money goes before we vote.

One more thing regarding the millage for Bedford Township roads. Why not have a millage for a five year period, and then review the results? If they are good, then ask for an additional five year renewal.

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