

2024-2025 Proposed Tentative Budget

Fiscal year runs June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025

General Fund , Water Fund, Sewer Fund, and Electric Fund

Understanding Property tax

- Property tax is a function of:
- Appropriation: the amount of money the village plans to spend
- Other revenues: including State aid, shared sales tax, fines, fees, fund balance
- **Tax Levy:** the \$ amount to be raised by taxes
- Total Valuation: \$ of taxable property value
- Tax Rate: the levy divided by valuation

Goal: Structurally Balanced Budget

- Estimated Expenditures (Appropriations) meet the estimated funding sources (Revenues)
- Recurring Expenditures (payroll, operating expenses) meet Recurring Revenues (fees, property tax, dedicated shared revenue)
- One Shot Expenditures (unplanned capital improvements) meet One Shot Revenues (Fund balance, grants, State Funding)

Proposed Property Tax 2024-2025

Tax Rate increases 3.82% to \$20.1649/1000

- Tax Levy is \$2,121,903 or 3.75% higher than last year (tax levy cap is \$2,089,769 or 2%, tax levy is \$32,134 over cap)
- Total Appropriations are: \$4,028,480 or a decrease of \$24,418 from last year's adopted budget

2024 Tax Levy Cap

The NYS Tax Levy Cap for Springville is \$2,089,769 or 2%. In 2023 it was 2%.

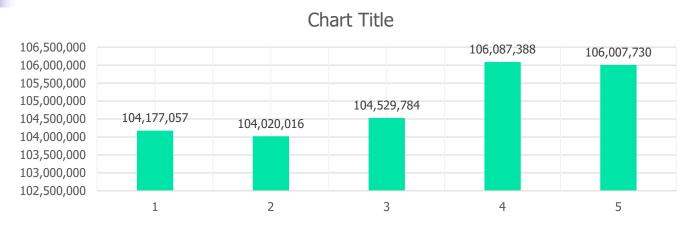
The Village Tax Levy is \$2,116,902. Our tax levy is over the NYS Tax Cap by \$32,134.

Appropriations

Appropriations estimate of cost of funding services provided in General Fund: services, maintenance and capital improvements

> "Tax Levy" "Fees" and "Other Revenues" Pay for the <u>Appropriated everyday expenses</u> (services and maintenance) to operate the Village and services

Tax Valuation and Assessment (2020-2025 data)



- 1671 Parcels, \$152,754,582 Total Value
- 13.5% of parcels (225) are partially exempt
- 5.5% of parcels (92) are wholly exempt
- 30.6% (\$46,746,852) of Assessed Property value \$'s is exempt from taxes
- Taxable Value is \$106,007,730. Decrease of \$79,658.

Appropriations:, Public Safety, Transportation, Community Service, Bldgs

- Fire Dept: \$32,000 Turn Out Gear, \$20,000
 Power Stair Chair, \$17,640 portable & mobile radios,
- Street Maintenance: \$80,000 for streets/plow 1 ton dump truck & \$45,000 lease payment for Vac Truck,
- Police: \$16,000 Establish Police Dept Reserve Account for Vehicles

How we pay for the appropriated \$4,028,480

- Property Tax Levy: \$2,121,903
- Other Revenues: \$1,576,578
- Unappropriated Fund Balance: \$330,000
- Tax Levy, Revenue, and Fund Balance: \$4,028,480

We Maintain an Unappropriated Fund Balance & Use it for One Shot Expenses

- Present balance is \$1,307,331
- State suggests healthy fund balance.
- Springville uses
 Fund balance to
 leverage grants, pay
 for projects &
 equipment

In 2015 we used \$185,300 to complete purchase of Franklin St property.

In 2017 we used \$225,000 to make payments on Franklin projects and correct CHIPs accounting.

In 2018 we used \$235,000 to make BAN payments on our Smart Growth Projects

In 2019 we used \$250,000 of which \$100,000 will be our share of the \$599,000 Tap grant

In 2020 we used \$372,000 to help pay for the Streets and Fire Dept equipment.

In 2021 we used \$230,00 to pay for equipment trucks, and tractors.

In 2022 we used \$250,000 to pay DPW equipment in Streets, Village Center sidewalk improvements, DPW Streets equipment, parks improvements, and drainage project.

In 2023 used \$530,000 to pay for DPW vehicles, Police SUV, Fire Dept SCBA packs, Mobile radios, Cameras & Village Office Roof Replacement.

In 2024 we will use \$330,000 to establish Police Dept Vehicle Reserve Fund, Fire Dept Gear, Stair Chair & Radios, DPW equipment & vehicles & increase in insurance costs.

Enterprise Funds

Some services are paid for by fees. These are called Enterprise Funds in Municipal Accounting. These funds run like a business and must run in the black. Tax revenues do not support Enterprise funds.

Water Fund: pays for the pumping, purification, transmission of water.

Sewer Fund: pays for the treatment of sewage and sewer pipes

Electric Fund: pays for the purchase and transmission of electric power. Rates are controlled by PSC. Last rate change was in 2010. PPA increases are pass thru taxes to NYS.

2024-25 Water Fund

- Appropriations: \$1,145,100, an increase of \$46,885 or 4.2% from last year.
- The Water Fund is an Enterprise fund and must be balanced.

Sewer Fund Appropriations 2024-2025

- Appropriations are \$1,652,711, an increase of \$221,506 or 15.4% from last year.
- Principal & Interest Debt payments on the DEC Consent Ordered \$7 Million in updates are now due. DEC Consent Order has been rescinded.
- The Sewer Fund is an Enterprise Fund and must be balanced.

Electric Fund

Appropriations: Total \$4,793,185

- Purchased Power
 - NYMPA 643,256
 - NYPA 833,237
 - Transmission by Natl Grid 446,426
 - Total \$1,922,919
 - Current residential kWh is 7.2 cents with the Purchase Power Adjustment

Electric Fund Pass Through

<u>PPA Expenditures</u>

Zero Emission Credit (ZEC) & Renewable Energy Credit (REC) for NYMPA 415,432 Transmission Congestion 19,902 Energy Efficiency Contributions 110,000 PSC Assessment 10,450 **Total 555,784** Conclusion: Efficient Service with modest cost increase

- Village life is enhanced by the services and smart growth projects provided by the General Fund, Water Fund, & Sewer Fund, Electric Fund
- 52% of revenues to pay for General Fund come from property taxes. Water and Sewer are funded by fees.
- Long term trends and planning make the services affordable.
- Structurally Balanced Budget is the goal. Regular operating and maintenance is paid by regular revenue. Capital Improvements are usually paid by one shot revenue sources.