

How much will your taxes go down by dissolving the PD?

What the Township pays for 40 hrs/wk*	\$141,200.00
For 24/7 coverage, 40 hrs x 4.2 (estimated)**	\$593,040.00
Budget (adjusted from last mtg) of PD	\$705,378.00
Difference between estimated costs	\$112,338.00
What 1 mil earns in the Village	~\$74,735.00
How many mils to make the difference?	~1.51 mils
Forgive this amount to the taxpayers because why else would you do this?***	11.7298 mils – 1.51 mils = 10.2198 mils tax rate
Total millage/1000 x Property value	1.51 mils/1000 x property value
\$100,000 house?	Save \$151.00, or ~\$12.50/month
\$200,000 house?	Save \$302.00, or ~\$25.00/month
More math	24/7 police coverage for:
\$793,253 pre-cuts budget request from PD	\$339.00 per capita, per year, that's \$.92 per day. That's based on population of 2,339 and residents only. Properties owned by people who don't live here also pay taxes and also get coverage. What does that mean? It's really less than \$.92 per day. ****
But my taxes are too high.	You also pay taxes to Livingston County, Pinckney Schools, vets, Putnam Township, Putnam Fire, HCMA, Livingston ISD.
Because you chose to live in a community with these amenities.	

*Township contract is for one car, one officer, 40 hours, figure from the 2026-27 budget.

Sheriff may offer savings in order to get the contract. There will be **no going back to a local PD if it is dissolved.

***If the Village doesn't refund the 1.51 mils, you (as a resident) don't save anything and you settle for less. That dissolving the PD will lower your taxes is a **false assumption**.

**** That doesn't mean a family of four will pay 4x as much. It's an **average**.

Comparisons: Are we getting a good value now? These are general law villages that also provide sewer and water services, along with local PD.

Village	Population	Mills Collected	Cost of PD	# Sworn Officers
Cass City	2,481	17.9133	\$747,436	3-4
Almont	2,846	13.3150	\$1,476,360*	6-8
Fowlerville**	2,859	13.4479	\$960,250	11 officers

*This department also provides police service for their township, population ~7,140.

**F'ville does have an interstate, railroad, and heavy industry, so not directly analogous.

A note on MUTUAL AID. If the PD is dissolved, it will have nothing to offer to neighboring municipalities. The County will have to supply any mutual aid to Hamburg, Howell, Putnam Fire. The resource from the Village will just not be there.