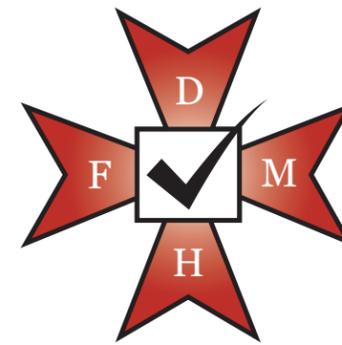


**Mount Horeb Area  
Joint Fire Department**  
120 South First Street  
Mount Horeb, WI 53572



**MOUNT HOREB  
AREA PUBLIC SAFETY**  
November 8, 2016 Referendum • Please Vote!  
— FIRE | EMS | POLICE —

## FOR MORE INFORMATION



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**Visit the Fire Department's Website**  
[www.fdmh.org](http://www.fdmh.org)



**Attend a Tour**

**Mount Horeb Area Joint Fire Department: 120 S. 1st St., Mt. Horeb, WI 53572**

Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> | 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Mount Horeb Police Department: 222 E. Front St., Mt. Horeb, WI 53572**

Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> | 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**PLEASE  
VOTE!  
NOVEMBER 8TH**

For over ten years, the Mount Horeb Area Joint Fire Department (MHAJFD), the Village of Mount Horeb, and the Mount Horeb Police Department have been studying potential solutions to address issues in both the Fire Department and Police Station buildings. An advisory committee was formed in 2007 to address the necessity of either upgrading or replacing the current fire station. Feasibility, needs and site studies have been conducted since then that identified costs of renovation versus new construction.

The solution proposed is a new Mount Horeb Area Public Safety Building housing both the Mount Horeb Area Joint Fire Department and the Mount Horeb Police Department. The site identified for the proposed project is located at 500 Blue Mounds Street.

The Village of Mount Horeb is assuming the full cost of the Police Department portion of the building and the Police portion of the spaces shared by both departments, which include the lobby, restrooms, break rooms and more.

The Fire Department will be financed with one USDA Rural Development Loan to MHAJFD. The Villages and Towns served by the Mount Horeb Area Joint Fire Department have adopted resolutions to place referendums on their November 8, 2016 ballots for their portions of the Fire Department based on equalized value in the same way MHAJFD requests each municipality to submit its share of the Fire Department's operating expenses now.

The municipalities affected, in whole or in part, include: Villages of Mount Horeb and Blue Mounds, and the Towns of Springdale, Blue Mounds, Vermont, Cross Plains, Perry and Primrose.



## THE NEED

The most significant need in both the fire station and the police station is the lack of sufficient space in buildings that were not originally intended for their uses today. The fire department is currently located in a 53 year-old frame and steel building on an old lumber yard site, and the Police Department shares space with the Recreation Department in the old fire station, built in 1961.

The following needs have been identified in both the Fire Department and Police Department buildings:

- **Failing systems:** electrical, plumbing, air-conditioning/in-take, and furnaces
- **Deteriorating roofs and floors**
- **Non-Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance**
- **Inadequate spaces for appropriate number of staff** including: offices, reporting/interview areas, showers, training areas, sleeping, storage, etc.

For a complete list of detailed needs at each site, please visit [www.fdmh.org](http://www.fdmh.org) and/or attend a tour of the sites.

## THE COST

The estimated cost for the new MHAJFD Fire and EMS is \$8.4 million. The Village of Mount Horeb's referendum is the **only one** that includes both their share of the Fire Department AND the **full cost** of the Police Department, which is estimated at \$6.1 million. Every other municipality's referendum is for their share of the fire department **only**. The Village of Mount Horeb is assuming full cost for the Village of Mount Horeb Police Station.

|                               | FIRE & EMS                          |                                   | POLICE                              |                                   | TOTAL                               |                                   |                                                                 |         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
|                               | Estimated Project Cost <sup>1</sup> | Referendum \$ Amount <sup>2</sup> | Estimated Project Cost <sup>1</sup> | Referendum \$ Amount <sup>2</sup> | Estimated Project Cost <sup>1</sup> | Referendum \$ Amount <sup>2</sup> | Mill Rate Increase per \$100,000 of Property Value <sup>3</sup> |         |
|                               |                                     |                                   |                                     |                                   |                                     |                                   | Annual                                                          | Monthly |
| <b>Village of Mt. Horeb</b>   | \$3,938,430                         | \$3,938,430                       | \$6,104,820                         | \$6,104,816                       | \$10,043,250                        | \$10,043,246                      | \$96.00                                                         | \$8.00  |
| <b>Town of Springdale</b>     | \$1,991,270                         | \$2,183,558                       | \$0.00                              | \$0.00                            | \$1,991,270                         | \$2,183,558                       | \$30.30                                                         | \$2.50  |
| <b>Town of Blue Mounds</b>    | \$883,340                           | \$1,632,000                       | \$0.00                              | \$0.00                            | \$883,340                           | \$1,632,000                       | \$31.95                                                         | \$2.66  |
| <b>Town of Vermont</b>        | \$364,760                           | \$368,000                         | \$0.00                              | \$0.00                            | \$364,760                           | \$368,000                         | \$26.43                                                         | \$2.20  |
| <b>Town of Cross Plains</b>   | \$354,140                           | \$400,000                         | \$0.00                              | \$0.00                            | \$354,140                           | \$400,000                         | N/A                                                             | N/A     |
| <b>Town of Perry</b>          | \$356,950                           | \$400,000                         | \$0.00                              | \$0.00                            | \$356,950                           | \$400,000                         | \$16.59                                                         | \$1.38  |
| <b>Village of Blue Mounds</b> | \$270,150                           | \$270,150                         | \$0.00                              | \$0.00                            | \$270,150                           | \$270,150                         | \$16.11                                                         | \$1.34  |
| <b>Town of Primrose</b>       | \$254,250                           | \$278,595                         | \$0.00                              | \$0.00                            | \$254,250                           | \$278,595                         | \$37.03                                                         | \$3.08  |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                 | <b>\$8,413,290</b>                  |                                   | <b>\$6,104,820</b>                  |                                   | <b>\$14,518,110</b>                 |                                   |                                                                 |         |

### PLEASE NOTE:

1. Proportionate project costs based on 2015 MHAJFD levy split.
2. Please contact your local clerk with any financing questions pertaining to your specific Town or Village.
3. Figures provided by each municipality. N/A = Not available at time of printing.

## HISTORY TIMELINE

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| <b>1990</b><br>Fire Department occupied and renovated an existing building on a lumber yard site. | <b>1998</b><br>Police Department moved to its current location, which it shares with the Recreation Department. | <b>2007</b><br>Fire Station Committee was formed to investigate a new fire station. | <b>2011</b><br>Committee created a formal list of issues related to the existing Mount Horeb Fire Station. | <b>2013</b><br>Feasibility Study completed. | <b>2014</b><br>Committee created a price estimate for a new building. | <b>2015</b><br>Village of Mount Horeb studied a joint public safety building. | <b>2016</b><br>Bray Architects hired through public open process. | <b>2016</b><br>Resolutions adopted to place referendums on ballots <b>NOVEMBER 8th.</b> | <b>2018</b><br>Projected completion date is Fall 2018, should the referendums pass. |
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“ The call volume to MHAJFD has increased 122% since 1990, while space and staff have remained the same. ”

## THE SOLUTION

The new Mount Horeb Area Public Safety Building would serve the residents within the Mount Horeb Area Joint Fire Department, while the Police Department would service the residents of Mount Horeb. The building would serve the needs of both the MHAJFD and the Mount Horeb Police Department for the next 40 - 50 years.

### Space Allocation:

|                          |                           |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| • Fire Department & EMS: | 24,813 square feet        |
| • Police Department:     | 16,860 square feet        |
| • Shared Spaces:         | 7,541 square feet         |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>            | <b>49,035 square feet</b> |

Shared spaces include public and private areas that, when consolidated, would save construction and ongoing operating costs for both the Fire and EMS and the Village Police Department. Examples include the public lobby, restrooms, meeting and conference spaces, break rooms, and staff training/exercise areas.

Shared building systems like plumbing, fire protection, HVAC, electrical, emergency generators, etc., create additional cost savings. In addition, efficiencies are realized when phasing construction on one site instead of two.

