

## Multiple District 11 Proposed Dues Increase

The subject of a dues increase for Multiple District 11 was discussed at a Council of Governors meeting after it was recommended by MD 11 Council Treasurer Paul Hemeryck.

A committee was appointed to review and make a report a to the Council of Governors with a recommendation.

Based on the committee's report the Council of Governors approved the following resolution to be presented and voted on by the club delegates at the Multiple District 11 Convention Business Meeting to be held on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Marriott Sheraton Hotel in Grand Rapids to be voted:

***Resolved That Article VIII Section 1 the administrative fund tax (member dues) be increased to \$12.00 effective July 1, 2024 with semi-annual payments of \$6.00 be collected September 10, 2024 and March 10, 2025; and***

***Be it further Resolved That the dues be increased to \$14.00 with semi-annual payments of \$7.00 be collected September 10, 2025 and March 10, 2026 and each year thereafter.***

This requires an amendment to Article VIII, Section 1 of the MD11 By-laws.

Currently Article VIII Section 1 reads:

Section 1. MULTIPLE DISTRICT REVENUE. To provide revenue for approved multiple district projects and to defray the administrative expenses of the multiple district, an annual multiple district administrative fund tax of \$10.00 is hereby levied upon each member of each club in the multiple district and shall be collected and paid in advance by each club in two (2) semi-annual payments as follows: \$5.00 per club member on September tenth of each year to cover the semi-annual period July 1 to December 31; and \$5.00 per club member on March tenth of each year, to cover the semi-annual period January 1 to June 30, with billings of the same to be based upon the roster of each club as of the first days of July and January, respectively. Said tax shall be paid to the council secretary/treasurer by each club in the multiple district, except newly chartered and reorganized clubs, which shall collect and pay said tax on a pro-rata basis from the first day of the second month following the date of their organization or

reorganization, as the case may be. Said tax shall be disbursed only for administrative expenses of the multiple district and only upon approval by the Council of Governors. Disbursement therefrom shall be by checks drawn and signed by the council secretary-treasurer and countersigned by the council chairperson.

The proposed new amendment would read as follows:

Section 1. MULTIPLE DISTRICT REVENUE. To provide revenue for approved multiple district projects and to defray the administrative expenses of the multiple district, a multiple district administrative fund tax of \$12.00 is hereby levied upon each member of each club in the multiple district and shall be collected and paid in advance by each club in two (2) semi-annual payments as follows: \$6.00 per club member on September tenth of 2024, to cover the semi-annual period July 1 to December 31; and \$6.00 per club member on March tenth of 2025, to cover the semi-annual period January 1 to June 30, with billings of the same to be based upon the roster of each club as of the first days of July and January, respectively.

Section 2. An annual multiple district administrative fund tax of \$14.00 is hereby levied upon each member of each club in two (2) semi-annual payments as follows: \$7.00 per club member on September tenth of each year following to cover the semi-annual period July 1 through December 31; and \$7.00 per club member to cover the semi-annual period January 1 to June 30, with billings of the same to be based upon the roster of each club as of the first days of July and January, respectfully.

Said tax shall be paid to the council secretary/treasurer by each club in the multiple district, except newly chartered and reorganized clubs, which shall collect and pay said tax on a pro-rata basis from the first day of the second month following the date of their organization or reorganization, as the case may be. Said tax shall be disbursed only for administrative expenses of the multiple district and only upon approval by the Council of Governors. Disbursement therefrom shall be by checks drawn and signed by the council secretary-treasurer and countersigned by the council chairperson.