

AUGUST 3, 2021 ELECTION
BALLOT LANGUAGES

County wide election for Canal View:

**Tax Limitation Renewal Proposition for
Operation of the Canal View ~ Houghton County**

Shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in the County of Houghton be increased 2.25 mills (\$2.25 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation) which will provide tax revenue to an estimated \$2,250,000 for 2022 for a period of 4 years, 2022 – 2025 inclusive, for taxes so raised to be used exclusively for the operation of the Houghton County Medical Care Facility (this being a renewal of the 2.55310 mills which will expire with the 2021 tax levy)?

City of Hancock:

RECREATION MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 0.80 mills (\$0.80 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against all Real and Personal Property in the City of Hancock be renewed for a period of 5 years, 2022-2026 inclusive, for taxes so raised to be used exclusively for Hancock Recreational Improvements; which, if approved, will provide tax revenue up to an estimated \$93,580.00 in 2022?

Torch Lake Township:

**BALLOT PROPOSAL FOR HUBBELL FIRE DISTRICT 1
Authorization for hydrant lines, modification of fire station, new equipment,
replacement of fire truck**

Shall the expired previous voted increases in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Torch Lake Township, of 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 1.9682 mills (\$1.9682 per \$1,000 of taxable value), by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased to the original voted 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for ten years, 2021 through 2030 inclusive, and be used exclusively for the cost of hydrant lines, modifications to the fire station, and the purchase of new fire equipment, and the possibility of a fire truck for Hubbell Fire District 1, raising an estimated \$24,500.00 in the first year the millage is levied?

Village of Calumet:

**STREET DEPARTMENT
MILLAGE RENEWAL**

Shall the currently authorized special millage rate of three (3) mills (Three Dollars per One Thousand Dollars) upon the taxable value of real property and personal property in the Village of Calumet, first approved in 1976 and subsequently renewed thereafter periodically, be renewed for a period of Five (5) years, these years being 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026, inclusive, for the purpose of paying the general operation and maintenance expenses of the Village of Calumet, including, but not limited to, the purchase and maintenance of snow removal equipment, the maintenance and repair of Village streets and sidewalks, and the provision of snow removal and street maintenance? If voters approve this millage renewal, it will raise approximately \$27,000.00 in its first year of application.

Village of Laurium:

MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

Shall the ad valorem rate of taxation in the Village of Laurium be RENEWED 2.4905 mills (\$2.4905 per \$1,000 of taxable value) together with an additional millage increase of .0995 mill (\$0.0995 per \$1,000 of state taxable value) during each of the years 2022-2026, inclusive, to equate to a total rate of 2.5 mills (\$2.50 per \$1,000 of state taxable value), to be used EXCLUSIVELY for the payment of the purchase or major upgrading of Department of Public Works equipment? The tax revenue shall be deposited into the DPW Equipment Bond Fund and is estimated to collect \$63,740 in the year 2022. This a RENEWAL of previously authorized millage in 2016.



Canal View August 3, 2021 Millage Renewal

Frequently Asked Questions

1. The millage request represents a reduction from 2.55310 to 2.25 mills which will be effective from 2022-2025.
2. The language on the ballot is dictated by the State of Michigan. This is why the first sentence reads that it is an increase when in actuality it is a decrease from the 2.55 voter approved millage that is set to expire in December 2021. The proposed decreased 2.25 millage, if approved, could possibly decrease the average homeowner property taxes for the years of 2022-2025.
3. This is the largest millage decrease in the history of the millage since 1966.
4. How does Canal View use the millage funding and how does it affect the community?
 - a. We are the only facility in the Cooper Country with a dedicated Dementia and Rehab Unit.
 - b. We use our funds to better the environment in which our residents reside.
 - c. We care for those who may not have the means to pay.
 - d. We care for those that have been declined at other facilities.
5. Canal View views itself as an extension of the community, reflecting both the community and individuals that it cares for.
6. We support our community outside of the facility as an employer with over 300 employees.
7. Canal View partners with the CCISD, providing recent High School graduates the opportunity to make a livable wage and remain within our community.

If you have a question that you would like answered, please email Jaye Kamm, jkamm@houghtonmcf.com. We will update the FAQ sheets weekly with new questions received throughout each week up to the August 3, 2021 vote.