PROPOSALS FOR AUGUST 2012 BALLOT ALLEGAN COUNTY

County Proposal

ALLEGAN COUNTY MILLAGE PROPOSITION
ROAD RESURFACING AND RECONSTRUCTION RENEWAL

(This proposal will permit the County to continue its 1.0 mill levy for County Primary Road Resurfacing, Prevention, and related preparation, and City/Village Road Improvement, which expires in 2012. This proposal would renew the 0.9998 mill not reduced by the Headlee Amendment millage rollback, and it would increase that millage by 0.0002 to restore it to its original 1.0 mill.)

Shall the current authorized increase in the millage rate limitation of one mill imposed on all taxable property within the County of Allegan, Michigan, which last resulted in the levy of 0.9998 mills ($0.9998 of each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for road resurfacing and restoration, be renewed, and shall said millage be increased by 0.0002 mills ($0.0002 of each $1,000 of taxable valuation) to offset the millage reduction from one mill as required by law, resulting in a total levy of one mill ($1.00 of each $1,000 of taxable valuation), for a period of 6 years, 2012 through 2017, inclusive, for purposes of providing a fund for the resurfacing, preservation, and related preparation of primary roads included in the Allegan County Road System and for reconstruction, resurfacing, and maintenance of major and local streets within the incorporated limits of villages and cities within Allegan County; and shall the County levy such renewal and increase in millage for such purposes, thereby raising in the first year an estimated $4,067,335.00?

Allegan Twp Proposals

PROPOSAL I

A RENEWAL PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE A FUND FOR REBUILDING OF TOWNSHIP ROADS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF ALLEGAN

Shall the previously voted increase in the 15 mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Allegan Township be renewed at 1.0000 mills ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for the purpose of road improvements within said Township, and shall the township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated $118,930.00?

PROPOSAL II

A RENEWAL PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE A FUND FOR FIRE PROTECTION IN THE TOWNSHIP OF ALLEGAN

Shall the previously voted increase in the 15 mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Allegan Township be renewed at .5000 mills ($.50 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for the purpose of providing fire protection within said Township, and shall the township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated $59,432.00?
Casco Twp Proposal

AMBULANCE MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION

Shall the previously increased limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in Casco Township, Allegan County, Michigan, as provided in the Michigan Constitution of 1963, reduced by required rollback to 0.7625 mill, be renewed at 1.0 mill ($1.00 per $1,000.00 of taxable value) for the period of 2014 through 2023, inclusive, to provide ambulance service in the Township; and shall the Township be authorized to levy this tax?

(ESTIMATE OF REVENUE INCREASE: If approved by the voters, the Township estimates that it will receive $143,475.00 of additional revenues from this millage renewal in 2014).

Cheshire Twp Proposal

RENEWAL OF ROAD IMPROVEMENT MILLAGE

Shall the expiring previous voted increase in the limitation on general ad valorem taxes in Cheshire Township imposed under Article 9, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution renewed at 2.0 mills August 8, 2006 for 2007-2012 and subsequently reduced to 1.9574 mills ($1.9574 per $1,000 of taxable value) by required millage rollbacks be further renewed at and increased up to 2.0 mills ($2.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) and levied for six years in 2013-2018 inclusive on all taxable real and personal property in Cheshire Township for disbursement to Cheshire Township and the Allegan County Road Commission for the purpose of maintaining and/or improving existing public roads in Cheshire Township, thereby raising an estimated $118,749.00 in the first year the millage is levied?

Clyde Twp Proposals

Proposal I
Renewal of Fire Protection Millage

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Clyde Township be renewed at two mills ($2.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2012 through 2015, inclusive, for purposes of fire protection within the Township; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated $97,729?

Proposal II
Renewal of Road Improvement Millage

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Clyde Township be renewed at two mills ($2.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2012 through 2015, inclusive, for purposes of road improvements within the Township; and shall the
Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated $97,729?

Proposal III
Renewal of Ambulance Service Millage

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Clyde Township be renewed at one-half mill (50 cents per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2012 through 2015, inclusive, for purposes of road improvements within the Township; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated $24,432?

Dorr Township Aug 2012

Road Maintenance Millage Renewal
Shall the 15-mill tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Dorr Township imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for said township by 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of two (2) years, commencing in 2012 and ending in 2013, for the purpose of maintenance and upkeep of roads and streets within the Township of Dorr; and shall Dorr Township levy such increase in millage for such purpose, commencing in 2012, thereby raising in the first year of such an estimated $208,000?

Major Fire Equipment Replacement Renewal
Shall the 15-mill tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within Dorr Township imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for said township by .500 mills ($0.50 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of two (2) years, commencing in 2012 and ending in 2013, for the purpose of replacing major fire equipment (defined as fire equipment having a cost of more than $5,000 per unit) in the Township of Dorr; and shall Dorr Township levy such increase in millage for such purpose, commencing in 2012, thereby raising in the first year of such levy an estimated $104,000?

Ganges Twp Proposals

FIRE PROTECTION MILLAGE

PREAMBLE: APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTION CONSTITUTES A CONTINUATION OF 0.75 MILLS FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE.

Shall the previously voted increase in the 15-mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Ganges Township, be renewed at 0.75 mills ($0.75 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for Fire Protection; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated $138,607.08?
AMBULANCE MILLAGE

PREAMBLE: APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTION CONSTITUTES A CONTINUATION OF 0.3 MILLS FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE.

Shall the previously voted increase in the 15-mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Ganges Township, be renewed at 0.3 mills ($0.30 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for Ambulance Service; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated $55,442.83?

Hopkins Twp Proposal

PROPOSAL TO RENEW MILLAGE FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Hopkins Township, reduced by required rollback to 1.936 mills, be renewed for a total of 2 mills ($2.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for township road improvements; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated $141,153.

Laketown Twp Proposal

FIRE, ROAD, BICYCLE PATH AND DRAIN MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION

Shall an expiring increase in property taxes be renewed for two (2) years, 2012 and 2013, inclusive, in the amount of 2.0 mills ($2.00 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) for all property in the Township, above the 15 mill tax limitation imposed by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution, to provide operating funds and equipment and apparatus acquisition funds for the Fire Department; to provide funds for the repair, construction, reconstruction and/or blacktopping of roads and bicycle paths in the Township; and to provide funds for the repair and maintenance of drains in the Township; and shall the Township be authorized to levy the tax? The estimated revenue the Township will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the 2012 calendar year is approximately $655,473.

Leighton Twp Proposals

LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

Shall the previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Leighton Township be renewed at 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) and levied on all taxable property for five (5) years, 2014 through 2018, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for public road improvement and maintenance, raising an estimated $182,040 in the first year the millage is levied?

LEIGHTON TOWNSHIP FIRE AND POLICE MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL
Shall the previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Leighton Township be renewed at 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) and levied on all taxable property for five (5) years 2014 through 2018, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for fire and police protection services, including maintenance, equipment and operations, raising an estimated $182,040 in the first year the millage is levied?

Martin Twp Proposal

**MARTIN TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION MILLAGE RENEWAL AND INCREASE PROPOSAL**

Shall the previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Martin Township of 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value), as reduced to 0.9994 mill by required rollbacks, be renewed and increased up to the original voted 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for eight (8) years, 2013 through 2020, inclusive, for township fire protection; and shall the Township annually levy such millage on all taxable real and personal property for said purpose, raising in the first year an estimated $79,060?

Otsego Twp Proposals

**Otsego Township Fire Operating Millage Renewal**

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Otsego Township of .5 mills ($0.50 per $1,000 of taxable value) be renewed and the Township be authorized to levy up to .5 mills (($0.50 per $1,000 of taxable value) for five years, 2013 through 2017 inclusive, for fire operating purposes, raising an estimated $78,925.00 in the first year the millage is levied?

**Solid Waste Disposal Millage Renewal**

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Otsego Township of .25 mills ($0.25 per $1,000 of taxable value), reduced to .2463 mills ($0.2463 per $1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted .25 mills ($0.25 per $1,000 of taxable value) and levied for five years, 2013 through 2017 inclusive, for solid waste disposal purposes, raising an estimated $39,462.53 in the first year the millage is levied?

Overisel Twp Proposal

**OVERISEL TOWNSHIP, ALLEGAN COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT MILLAGE**

Shall Overisel Township impose an increase of up to 4 mills ($4 per $1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for 4 years, 2013 through 2016 inclusive, for Road Improvements within the township, which 4 mills increase will raise an estimated $464,000 in the first year the millage is levied.

For informational purposes:
This is a renewal of the previous road millage, but needs to be stated as above since the headlee required rollbacks reduced the millage greater than .5 mills to 3.1792 mills.
Trowbridge Twp Proposal

ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL
Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Trowbridge Township be renewed at 1 mill ($1 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period 2013 through 2016 inclusive, for road improvements and maintenance within the township; shall the township levy such renewal and millage for said purpose, thereby raising the first year an estimated $70,087.90.

Valley Twp Proposals

PROPOSAL TO RENEW MILLAGE FOR FIRE PROTECTION
Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Valley Township, be renewed at 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for township fire protection, search and rescue and ambulance; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated $67,121.00?

PROPOSAL TO RENEW MILLAGE FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Valley Township, be renewed at 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for township road improvements; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated $67,121.00?

PROPOSAL TO RESTORE LOST TOWNSHIP OPERATING MILLAGE DUE TO MILLAGE ROLLBACK
Shall the allocated township millage of 1 mill reduced by required rollback to .5152 mills be increased by .4848 mills ($.48 per $1,000 of taxable value of taxable real and personal property) to recover such reduction for levy beginning in 2012 for general township operating purposes; and shall the township levy such increase which increase will raise in the first year of the levy an estimated $32,541.00?

Watson Twp Proposal

Watson Township, Allegan County
Renewal of Millage for Dust control

Shall the previous voted increase in the 15 mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general and ad valorem taxes within Watson be renewed at 1 mill ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2013 through 2016 inclusive for the purpose of continuing Dust Control on gravel roads in the Township of Watson; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year of the levy an estimated $59,883.72?
Saugatuck Interurban Transit Authority
City of Douglas
INTERURBAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY RENEWAL
MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall an expired increase in property taxes of .5 mill ($0.50 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation), reduced to .4861 mill ($0.4861 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased to the originally voted .5 mill ($0.50 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) for five (5) years, 2012 through 2016, inclusive, for all property in the City of the Village of Douglas, Allegan County, Michigan, to provide funds for the provision of public transportation services; and shall the Interurban Transit Authority be authorized to levy this tax? The estimate of the revenue the Authority will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the 2012 calendar year is approximately 63,335.83.

City of Saugatuck
INTERURBAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY RENEWAL
MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall an expired increase in property taxes of .5 mill ($0.50 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation), reduced to .4861 mill ($0.4861 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased to the originally voted .5 mill ($0.50 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) for five (5) years, 2012 through 2016, inclusive, for all property in the City of Saugatuck, Allegan County, Michigan, to provide funds for the provision of public transportation services; and shall the Interurban Transit Authority be authorized to levy this tax? The estimate of the revenue the Authority will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the 2012 calendar year is approximately $60,583.27.

Saugatuck Twp
INTERURBAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY RENEWAL
MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall an expired increase in property taxes of .5 mill ($0.50 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation), reduced to .4861 mill ($0.4861 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased to the originally voted .5 mill ($0.50 per thousand dollars of taxable valuation) for five (5) years, 2012 through 2016, inclusive, for all property in the Township of Saugatuck, Allegan County, Michigan, to provide funds for the provision of public transportation services; and shall the Interurban Transit Authority be authorized to levy this tax? The estimate of the revenue the Authority will collect if the millage is approved and levied in the 2012 calendar year is approximately $124,829.05.

Bloomingdale Schools Proposal
OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Bloomingdale Public School District No. 16, Van Buren and Allegan Counties, Michigan, be increased by 18 mills ($18.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 3 years, 2012, 2013 and 2014, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately $1,162,723 (this is a renewal of millage which expired with the 2011 tax levy)?
Hopkins Public School Proposal

MILLAGE PROPOSAL, BUILDING AND SITE
SINKING FUND TAX LEVY

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Hopkins Public Schools, Allegan County, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed 0.9 mill ($0.90 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years, 2012 to 2016, inclusive, to create a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately $208,000?

Hopkins District Library Proposal

HOPKINS DISTRICT LIBRARY MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall the Hopkins District Library be authorized to levy a new additional tax annually upon the taxable value of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the Hopkins District Library district in an amount not to exceed 0.6 mill ($0.60 for each $1,000 of taxable value), commencing in 2012 and continuing in perpetuity, to provide funds for all Library purposes authorized by law?

This millage would raise an estimated $79,750 if the millage is approved and levied by the Library in the first year of the levy. To the extent required by law, a small portion of the total revenues from the tax levy (less than 5% in the first year of the levy) will be captured within the district of and disbursed to the Village of Hopkins Downtown Development Authority.

Fennville District Library Proposal

FENNVILLE DISTRICT LIBRARY MILLAGE RENEWAL AND INCREASE PROPOSITION

Shall the Fennville District Library be authorized to levy a tax annually upon the taxable value of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the district of the Library in an amount not to exceed 0.6 mill ($0.60 for each $1,000 of taxable value) for a period of ten (10) years, 2012 through 2021, inclusive, to provide funds for any Library purpose permitted by law?

This millage is a renewal of the previously authorized millage of 0.4940 mill which expired following the 2011 levy, and a new additional millage of 0.1060 mill to restore millage lost as a result of Headlee Amendment millage rollbacks, for a total authorized millage of 0.6 mill. This millage is estimated to provide revenues of $268,100 in 2012, the first year of the levy. To the extent required by law, a small portion of the revenues from this millage (approximately 0.9% in the first year of the levy) will be captured within the district of and disbursed to the City of Fennville Downtown Development Authority.