NOVEMBER 3, 2015 ELECTION

ISSUE 10

PROPOSED TAX LEVY (ADDITIONAL)

NEWTOWN FIRE & EMS SERVICES

Passage of Issue 10 will allow the Village of Newtown to collect 12.05 Mills for Fire & EMS Services

Little Miami Joint Fire Rescue District currently collects 12.05 Mills from Newtown

Ohio law states that this levy must be titled as an "Additional" tax levy, also referred to as a "new" levy, because it is a tax levy which is not currently being collected by the Village of Newtown.

The Village of Newtown joined the Little Miami Joint Fire & Rescue District in 2003.
Current Values for the Little Miami Joint Fire & Rescue District:

	Property Value	LMFRD Levy Revenue Generated	% By Community	Board Members/Votes
Newtown	$88,503,990	$998,612.40	40.67	2
Columbia	$68,782,330	$775,907.35	31.60	2
Fairfax	$60,358,060	$680,883.25	27.73	2

- **Out of the three communities in the Little Miami Joint Fire Rescue District, the Village of Newtown provides the highest percentage of property tax revenue, and has 2 out of the 6 member votes on the Fire District's Board.**
- **The Newtown Village Council requested that the Fire District Board be reconfigured from a six member board to a three member board with one elected official from each District, the request was denied.**
- **According to the LMFR 2014 Annual Report, Newtown had 24% of Fire & EMS Calls in the District**

Levy History:

November 6, 2001	Continuing - Operating	2.50 Mills	$ 441,761
May 2, 2006	Continuing - Operating	7.25 Mills	$1,528,681
November 3, 2009	Continuing - Operating	2.30 Mills	$ 484,961
Total		12.05 Mills	

- **At the October 13, 2009 Newtown Village Council Meeting, Council passed a motion opposing the 2.30 Mills Fire Levy that was on the ballot at the November 3, 2009 general election.**
- **From the Hamilton County Board of Elections, the 11/3/2009 Levy Results were as follows:**

	FOR	AGAINST
Columbia Township	536	307
Fairfax	318	208
Newtown	384	442
Total	1238	957

- **On October 18, 2010, the Little Miami Joint Fire District was issued $8,135,000 Little Miami Joint Fire Rescue District Taxable Fire Station General Obligation Bonds (Build America Bonds – Direct Payment)**
- **According to the Little Miami Fire District Station Construction Financial Report; Construction of the new Fire Station in Fairfax cost $4,230,931.98 and the expansion & renovation of an existing building into a Fire Station in Newtown cost $3,405,742.50**

Newtown's Property Tax Revenue to LMFR is 40.67% of the District's Total Property Tax Revenue
Newtown's Fire & EMS Runs in 2014 were 24% of the District's Total Calls
Newtown's Fire Board Representation is 2 out of 6 Members
LMFR 10 yr. Forecasted Budget currently shows a projected $65,293.94 Deficit in 2018