



August 4, 2020
State Primary Ballot

FIRE/RESCUE MILLAGE RENEWAL

.9933 Renewal for 15 years

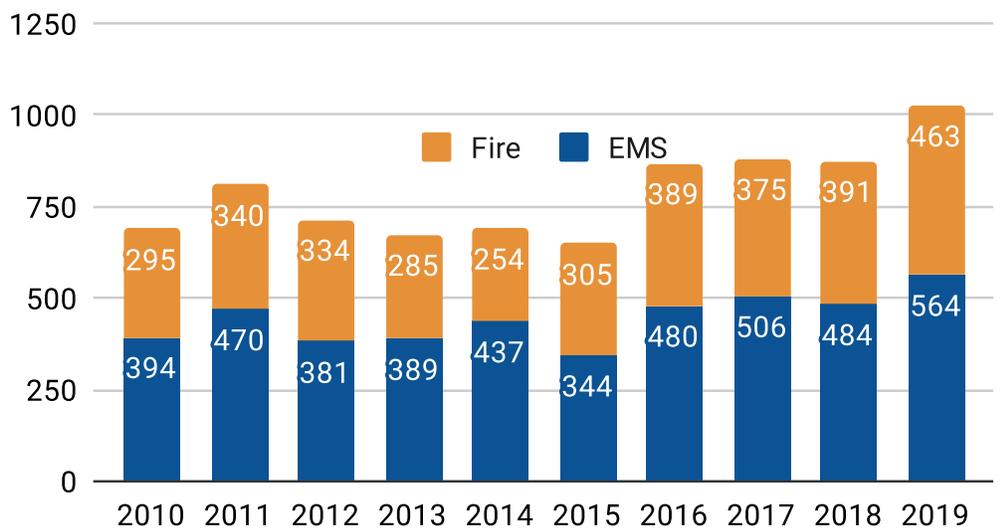


On your August 4, 2020 Election ballot, you'll see the Texas Charter Township Fire Proposal asking for .9933 mills - of which .4933 is a renewal of the millage rate that expired in 2019 and .5 is a new additional millage - for 15 years (2020-2034) to provide funds for purchasing, operating and equipping the fire department.

In the past ten years, the call for service volume has steadily increased with the population of Texas Township, which has grown 17.2% in that time. That growth trend is expected to continue, as will the volume of calls for service.

Currently, the Fire Department has 5 full-time staff - a Chief, a Captain, and 3 Firefighter/Engine Operators. Firefighters work 48-hour shifts, with 1 on duty at all times. We rely heavily on paid-on-call staff to respond to calls, but there is currently a nationwide shortage of paid-on-call firefighters.

Call Volumes over the Past 10 Years



It takes approximately 5-6 personnel on scene to perform effective, continuous CPR and 6-7 for a vehicle extraction



The estimate of revenue collected in the first year if the millage is approved is approximately **\$942,000**.

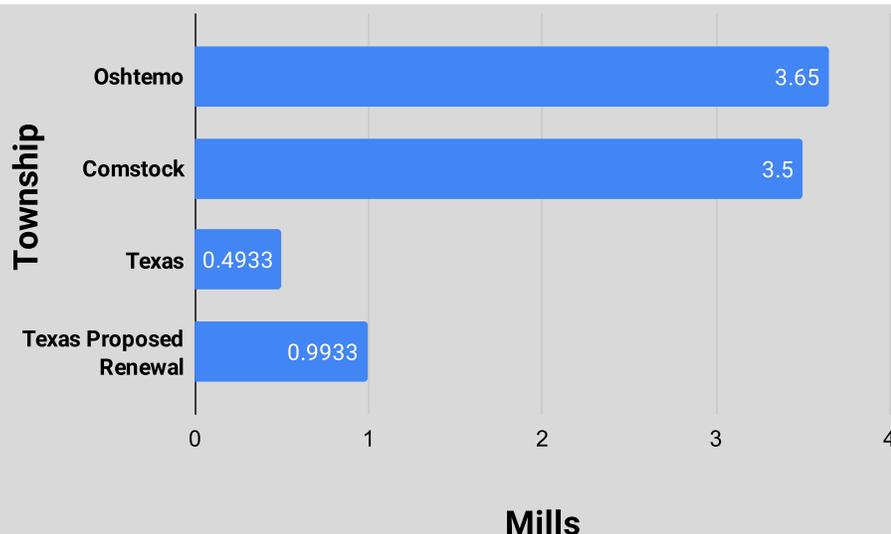
The funds generated from the millage renewal would pay to staff the Fire Station with **two** Firefighters per shift, working 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

Funds would also replace existing equipment at the end of its reliable life span.



How do we compare with other Townships?

Texas Fire and Rescue operates on .4933 mills, supplemented with some general operating funds



Where do I vote on August 4, 2020?

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Election Day. Or vote by mail and return your ballot by 8:00 p.m. All registered voters in Michigan will receive an Absent Voter Ballot Application for this election.

Precincts 1&6: Calvary Reformed Church, 7829 S 5th St

Precinct 2: Texas Township Hall, 7110 W Q Ave

Precinct 3: The Groves Campus, 6107 Elm Valley Dr

Precincts 4&5: Southridge Reformed Church, 6726 Texas Dr

More Questions?



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