# <u>CASS COUNTY PROPOSALS</u>
# <u>August 4, 2026 Primary Election</u>

## ONTWA TOWNSHIP

PROPOSAL FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the expired previous voted increases in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX,Sec 6 of the Michigan Constitution in the Ontwa Township, Cass County, Michigan, of .50 mills ($.50 per $1,000 of taxable value) be renewed and levied for 2 years, 2026, 2027 inclusive to provide funds for the maintenance and operation of the Edwardsburg Ambulance service, and shall the Township levy such a renewal in millage for that purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated $177,893.45

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Shall the expired previous voted increases in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Ontwa Township, Cass County, Michigan, of.25 mills ($ .25 per $1,000 of taxable value) be renewed and levied for 4 years, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029 inclusive to provide funds for the maintenance and operation of the Edwardsburg Ambulance Service; and shall the Township levy such a renewal in millage for that purpose, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated $87,902.41

## VOLINIA TOWNSHIP

ROAD MAINTENANCE MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the expired previous voted increases in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec 6 of the Michigan Constitution in

Volinia Township of 1 mill ($1 per $1,000 of taxable value) be renewed at the original voted 1 mill ($1 per $1,000 taxable value for five (5) years, 2026 through 2030 inclusive), for the purpose of maintaining and/or improving township roads located within Volinia Township, raising an estimated $65,723 each year the millage is levied.

## EDWARDSBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 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 and renews millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 19 mills ($19.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Edwardsburg Public Schools, Cass County, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 4 years, 2027 to 2030, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2027 is approximately $2,991,618.06 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy)?

**MARCELLUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

BOND PROPOSAL

Shall Marcellus Community Schools, Cass, St. Joseph and Van Buren Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twelve Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($12,250,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

erecting, furnishing, and equipping additions to a school building; remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping school buildings; acquiring and installing instructional technology; and preparing, developing, and improving athletic fields and facilities and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2026 is 1.60 mills ($1.60 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a -0- mill net increase over the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty (20) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 2.58 mills ($2.58 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district does not expect to borrow from the State to pay debt service on the bonds. The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is $5,285,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is $0. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

**WHITE PIGEON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

SINKING FUND MILLAGE REPLACEMENT PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to replace the building and site sinking fund millage previously approved by the electors.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in White Pigeon Community Schools, St. Joseph and Cass Counties, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed 3 mills ($3.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years, 2027 to 2031, inclusive, to replace the previously approved sinking fund millage with a sinking fund millage for the purchase of real estate for sites for, and the construction or repair of, school buildings; for school security improvements; for the acquisition or upgrading of technology; for the acquisition of student transportation vehicles; for the acquisition of parts, supplies, and equipment used for the maintenance of student transportation vehicles; for the acquisition of eligible trucks and vans used to carry parts, equipment, and personnel for or in the maintenance of school buildings; for the acquisition of parts, supplies, and equipment used to maintain such trucks and vans; and for all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2027 is approximately $1,808,420 (this is a replacement of millage that expires with the 2026 tax levy)?