

## **Notice of Property Tax increase**

The Elbert County Board of Commissioners is announcing its intention to increase 2023 property taxes this year by 24.21% for the unincorporated district and 28.04% for the incorporated district over the rollback millage rate.

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearings on this tax increase to be held at the Elbert County Board of Commissioners Government Complex located at 45 Forest Ave. Elberton, GA on the following dates:

August 31, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

August 31, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

September 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

The proposed millage rate for the unincorporated district is 9.978, which is an increase of .228 mills from the prior year. This proposed millage rate is 1.945 mills above the rollback rate of 8.033. The proposed millage rate for the incorporated district is 10.602, which is an increase of .228 mills from the prior year. This millage rate is 2.322 mills above the rollback rate of 8.280. The proposed tax increase for a homestead property with a fair market value of \$150,000 is approximately \$77.80 for the unincorporated district. The proposed tax increase for a homestead property with a fair market value of \$125,000 is approximately \$69.66 for the incorporated district. The proposed tax increase for non-homestead property with a fair market value of \$100,000 in the unincorporated district is approximately \$77.80 and non-homestead property with a fair market value of \$100,000 in the incorporated district is approximately \$92.88.

The past couple of years, Elbert County has decreased the millage rate while the cost of providing services has increased. This has caused Elbert County to go into a larger deficit from previous years. Without this tentative tax increase, Elbert County will not be able to continue providing the same level of services to citizens including EMS, Sheriff, and Fire Services.

The millage rate will be voted on in a called meeting on Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.