

## **NOTICE OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE**

The Newton County Board of Commissioners has tentatively adopted a millage rate which will require an increase in property taxes by 10.95 percent.

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearings on this tax increase to be held at the Newton County Historic Courthouse - Boardroom, 1124 Clark Street, on July 18, 2017 at 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM, and on July 25, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Newton County Board of Commissioners tentatively announced today the property tax millage rate for FY 2018 would be set at 13.441 for county operations, which is higher than the millage rate that was adopted for FY 2017. Georgia Law has required us to publish a "Notice of Property Tax Increase" because the 13.441 millage rate is 10.95% higher than the "Rollback Millage Rate" of 12.115 calculated by the state.

Each year the Board of Assessors is required by the State of Georgia to review the assessed value for property tax purposes of all property in the County. When the trends of prices on properties that have recently sold in the County indicate there has been an increase in the fair market value of any specific property, the Board of Assessors is required by state law to re-determine the value of such property and increase the assessment. This is called a reassessment.

The Newton County Board of Commissioners has scheduled a series of three (3) public hearings regarding this and encourages all citizens to attend and discuss it with them. The meetings will be held in the Boardroom at the Newton County Historic Courthouse, 1124 Clark Street, Covington, Georgia on July 18, 2017 at 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM, and on July 25, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

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