

HOUGHTON COUNTY CLOSE OF REGISTRATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in Houghton County on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024.**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS in the Townships of: Adams, Calumet, Chassell, Duncan, Elm River, Franklin, Hancock, Laird, Osceola, Portage, Quincy, Schoolcraft, Stanton, Torch Lake and the Cities of Hancock and Houghton.

**COUNTY OF HOUGHTON,
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of the above-mentioned townships and city who is not already registered, may register to vote at the office of the Township Clerk; the City Clerk; the office of the County Clerk; a Secretary of State branch office, or other designated state agency. Registration forms can be obtained at mi.gov/vote and mailed to the Township or City Clerk. Voters who are already registered may update their registration at: www.expressSOS.com.

The last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk is **Monday, October 21, 2024.**

After this date, anyone who qualifies as an elector may register to vote in person with proof of residency (MCL 168.492) at the following:

Municipality	Address	Regular Business Hours	Hours on Saturday, November 2, 2024	Hours on Tuesday, November 5, 2024
Adams Township	Township Office	By Appointment 281-5616	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Calumet Township	Township Office	8:00 am-Noon & 1:00-4:00 pm 337-2410	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Chassell Township	Township Office	By Appointment 370-5331	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Duncan Township	Clerk’s residence, Sidnaw	By Appointment 355-2439	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Elm River Township	Township Office	By Appointment 281-4047	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Franklin Township	Township Office	By Appointment 370-5974	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Hancock Township	Township Office	By Appointment 281-1175	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Laird Township	Clerk’s residence, Pelkie	By Appointment 338-2430	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Osceola Township	Township Office	Monday-Wednesday 9:00 am-Noon or By Appointment 482-8578	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm

Portage Township	Township Office	9:00 am-3:00 pm Monday-Thursday 482-4310	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Quincy Township	Township Office	By Appointment 281-4853	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Schoolcraft Township	Township Office	9:00 am-Noon, Monday-Thursday 296-8721	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Stanton Township	Township Office Canal Rd	By Appointment 482-8319	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Torch Lake Township	Township Office	By Appointment 296-0214	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
City of Hancock	Clerk’s Office	Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. 482-2720	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
City of Houghton	Clerk’s Office	Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. 482-1700	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	7:00 am – 8:00 pm

For the purpose of nominating Democratic and Republican candidates for the following office:

Partisan:

President/Vice President, 1st District Representative in Congress, 110th District State Legislative Representative, State Board of Education, Regent of the University of Michigan, Trustee of Michigan State University, and Governor of Wayne State University.

County Offices:

Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Mine Inspector, Drain Commissioner, County Commissioners.

Non Partisan:

Justice of Supreme Court, and Local School Board Members, and City Council.
Village offices: President, Clerk, Treasurer, and Trustee.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following proposals will appear on the ballot:

Township Proposals:

Chassell Township:

**NEW ROAD IMPROVEMENT MILLAGE
RENEWAL OF TAX RATE FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT**

Shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in the Township of Chassell be increased to 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value), which will result in tax revenue collections to be \$160,741.66 in the first year for a period of four (4) years, being 2025 through 2028; said revenues to be used exclusively for road improvement within Chassell Township. This being a renewal of two (2) mills, as adjusted as required by law, which expires with the 2024 levy?

FIRE PROTECTION MILLAGE

Shall Chassell Township renew the previously authorized millage of 1 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, §6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for four (4) years, 2025 through 2028 inclusive, for the

purpose of providing additional revenue for fire protection and prevention, including construction, maintenance, repairs, equipment and supplies purchases, and other costs associated with operation of the Fire Department and First Responders, which will raise an estimated \$80,370.83 in the first year the millage is levied, of which a portion shall be dispersed to the Chassell Volunteer Fire & Rescue and Chassell Medical First Responders as the Township Board determines appropriate?

Elm River Township:

RENEWAL OF GENERAL FUND MILLAGE

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IV, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Elm River Township be renewed at 1.9589 mills (\$1.9589 per \$1,000 of taxable value) on taxable real and personal property within Elm River Township for the period of 4 (four) years (2025 through 2028, inclusive), for the purpose of maintaining the General Fund, and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for this purpose, thereby raising an estimated \$66,640 in the first year?

RENEWAL OF GENERAL SERVICES MILLAGE

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IV, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Elm River Township be renewed at .9794 mills (\$.9794 per \$1,000 of taxable value) on taxable real and personal property within Elm River Township for the period of 4 (four) years (2025 through 2028, inclusive), for the purpose of maintaining the General Services, and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for this purpose, thereby raising an estimated \$33,318 in the first year?

RENEWAL OF FIRE FUND MILLAGE

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IV, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Elm River Township be renewed at 1.0 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) on taxable real and personal property within Elm River Township for the period of 4 (four) years (2025 through 2028, inclusive), for the purpose of maintaining the Fire Fund, and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for this purpose, thereby raising an estimated \$34,019 in the first year?

RENEWAL OF ROAD FUND MILLAGE

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IV, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Elm River Township be renewed at 1.0 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) on taxable real and personal property within Elm River Township for the period of 4 (four) years (2025 through 2028, inclusive), for the purpose of maintaining the Road Fund, and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for this purpose, thereby raising an estimated \$34,019 in the first year?

FIRE TRUCK/EQUIPMENT

Shall Elm River Township levy tax by 1 mill (\$1 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) on taxable real and personal property within Elm River Township for a period of 2 years (from 2025 through 2026 inclusive) for purchase towards a used fire apparatus and equipment to update our current

30+ year old Mini Pumper fire truck and equipment? Shall the Township levy such millage for this purpose, thereby raising an estimated \$34,019 in the first year?

School Proposals:

DOLLAR BAY-TAMARACK CITY AREA SCHOOLS:

OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE
AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW
18 MILLS FOR 4 YEARS

Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Dollar Bay-Tamarack City Area Schools, 48475 Maple Drive, Dollar Bay, Michigan 49922-0371, telephone: (906) 482-5800.

ELM RIVER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL:

**ELM RIVER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE
AND OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTED BY LAW
17.6094 MILLS FOR 5 YEARS AND
.3906 MILL FOR 5 YEARS TO RESTORE HEADLEE REDUCTION

HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL:

**HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND PROPOSAL**

HOUGHTON-PORTAGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION UNLIMITED TAX BOND PROPOSAL
FOR BUILDING AND SITE PURPOSES IN THE AMOUNT OF
NOT TO EXCEED \$23,000,000

Full text of the ballot proposition may be obtained at the administrative offices of Houghton-Portage Township School District, 1603 Gundlach Road, Houghton, Michigan 49931-2699, telephone: (906) 482-0450.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT THE BONDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IF APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ELECTORS AT THIS ELECTION, WILL BE GENERAL OBLIGATION UNLIMITED TAX BONDS PAYABLE FROM GENERAL AD VALOREM TAXES.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024
LAST DAY FOR VOTER REGISTRATION OTHER THAN IN-PERSON**

Persons with special needs as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the appropriate clerk's office.

This notice is hereby given as required by law (MCL 168.498(3)).

JENNIFER KELLY
HOUGHTON COUNTY CLERK & REGISTER OF DEEDS
on behalf of:

Debra Pindral, Adams Township Clerk
Robin Hicks, Calumet Township Clerk
Lynn Gierke, Chassell Township Clerk
Kathy Allen, Duncan Township Clerk
Sherri Brandt, Elm River Township Clerk
Elizabeth Aho, Franklin Township Clerk
Amy Jo Maki, Hancock Township Clerk
Robin Henry, Laird Township Clerk

Christa Gardner, Osceola Township Clerk
Amy Skewes, Portage Township Clerk
Beth Helminen, Quincy Township Clerk
Betty Antilla, Schoolcraft Township Clerk
Mary Durocher, Stanton Township Clerk
Lou Ambuehl, Torch Lake Township Clerk
Linda Kalinec, City of Hancock Clerk
Ann Vollrath, City of Houghton Clerk