In 2015, Comstock Park voters approved the renewal of the school district’s 18 mill operating millage. As you may know, that millage is only levied on non-homestead property, such as businesses, commercial and investment properties, vacation homes, and rental properties.

The millage that passed in 2015 will expire in 2020. Without the passage of this renewal the school district will not come close to receiving its full per pupil funding from the State of Michigan.

If approved by voters, this non-homestead millage would continue Comstock Park’s ability to levy the full 18 mills through 2030, and allow the school district to receive its full per pupil funding from the State. It is important to note that no resident, business owner, or other property owner will see a tax increase if voters approve the non-homestead millage. It is simply a continuation of the existing situation.

Vote on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, at your regular polling place.
This millage is to maintain the existing operating millage levied on commercial, industrial, vacation, and rental properties in the Comstock Park District.

Is this a new tax? NO. This proposal is a renewal of the non-homestead property tax approved by voters in 2015. The maximum amount the district can collect is 18 mills.

Why does the ballot language say 18.8495 mills if only 18 will be levied?

- A “Headlee Rollback” occurs when property values increase faster than the rate of inflation.
- A school district is able to request more than 18 mills to override this Headlee Rollback. We are requesting the additional 0.8495 mills to ensure the district can continue to receive a full 18 mills in the event of a Headlee Rollback.

Once again, a non-homestead property is any property that is NOT a primary residence or qualified agricultural property, such as: Business, Investment Property, Vacation Home, or Rental Property.

A Yes Vote…

- No additional cost to homeowners
- Provides operating dollars to support day-to-day expenses such as instructional materials, staffing, maintenance.

A No Vote…

- No reduction in homeowner taxes
- Loss of over $2.6 million annually used to maintain current educational programs and services.

For more information, please visit the district website at www.cppschools.com