

**2026 Annual
Budget Hearing Summary
(Auditor Notes)
DAY 1 - Afternoon**



14. Newbury Township

- ✓ Budget Ad Publication, Schedules A & B
- ✓ Xfers In = Xfers Out (2025 & 2026)
- ✓ This Year: GF - 48% c/o, Gas/MVL/Perm/R&B - 50% c/o
 - ✓ Last Year: GF - 30% c/o, Gas/MVL/Perm/R&B - 13% w/o Capital
- ✓ This Year: Fire - 2% c/o
 - ✓ Last Year: Fire - 25% c/o w/o Capital
- ✓ This Year: Need GF and additional Road Reserve Funds
 - ✓ Last Year: Consider Additional Reserve Funds?



15. Huntsburg Township

- ✓ Budget Ad Publication, Schedules A & B
- ✓ This Year: Xfers In \approx Xfers Out (\$5k Out of GF to ?)
 - ✓ Last Year: Xfers In \approx Xfers Out (Xfer into Perm Improv should be reclassified?)
- ✓ This Year: GF - 38% c/o, Gas/MVL/Perm/R&B - 10% c/o
 - ✓ Last Year: GF - 12% c/o, Gas/MVL/Perm/R&B - 16% w/o Capital
- ✓ This Year: Fire - 11% c/o
 - ✓ Last Year: Fire - 7% c/o w/o Capital
- ✓ Ballot Issue: Replacement of Qualified 1.5mills - Fire
 - ✓ Term is 5 years – Increase tax of \$58,715 Annually @ 100%
 - ✓ Tax Revenue currently is = \$99,012 Annually @ 100%
 - ✓ If passed, Tax Revenue = \$157,727 Annually @ 100% (59% increase)
 - ✓ If passed, Total Fire funding increases by 59%



15. Huntsburg Township

Geauga County Levy Ranking

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Residential Rates and Total Revenues are reflected in these Calculations

Tax Year 2024 for 2025 Collection Values, Rates, and Revenues

	Total Revenue								
	Full Total	Total Res Eff.	Eff Millage	Estimated	Revenue	2020	Population	Rev Per	RPR
	Millage	Millage	Rank	Revenue	Rank	Population	Rank	Resident	Rank
Auburn Township	12.950000	9.889713	7	4,080,354	4	6,574	4	621	4
Bainbridge Township	29.830000	15.719193	1	13,762,102	1	12,893	1	1,067	2
Burton Township	10.130000	7.785666	15	935,365	12	2,972	13	315	14
Chardon Township	11.450000	9.847430	8	2,278,653	7	4,494	9	507	7
Chester Township	22.720000	13.199671	3	7,705,195	2	9,957	2	774	3
Claridon Township	** 11.450000	7.954705	14	984,423	10	3,103	12	317	12
Hambden Township	**** 11.850000	9.475384	11	1,753,018	8	4,676	7	375	9
Huntsburg Township	12.000000	8.981723	12	977,634	11	3,657	11	267	15
Middlerield Township	* 15.300000	11.999122	4	1,427,078	9	4,525	8	315	13
Montville Township	11.400000	7.625750	16	631,825	16	1,938	16	326	11
Munson Township	14.200000	10.651272	6	4,033,379	5	7,087	3	569	5
Newbury Township	14.000000	10.971382	5	2,901,102	6	5,244	6	553	6
Parkman Township	10.800000	7.965299	13	857,164	15	4,446	10	193	16
Russell Township	25.810000	14.514038	2	5,959,358	3	5,404	5	1,103	1
Thompson Township	15.000000	9.838524	9	863,347	14	2,144	15	403	8
Troy Township	15.400000	9.731426	10	931,801	13	2,778	14	335	10
Burton Village	15.000000	11.048217	1	480,879	4	1,407	4	342	4
Chardon City	15.500000	10.064205	2	2,235,612	1	5,242	1	426	1
Middlefield Village	* 10.130000	8.407516	3	1,152,618	3	2,748	3	419	2
South Russell Village	12.450000	6.187430	4	1,593,142	2	3,972	2	401	3

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Average
481

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 - **** Includes Hambden Township Park Recreation Levy
- Excludes Hunting Valley Village (Geauga County Population 136)
 Actual Total Geauga County Population per the 2020 Census is 95,397
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Fire & EMS Levies

	Full Fire Millage	Fire Eff Millage	Est Millage Rank	Estimated Revenue	Revenue Rank	2020 Population	Population Rank	Rev Per Resident	RPR Rank
Auburn Township	5.300000	3.572225	9	1,485,972	4	6,574	4	226	5
Bainbridge Township	10.100000	5.592857	1	4,861,484	1	12,893	1	377	1
Burton Township	3.250000	2.295306	14	278,782	13	2,972	13	94	14
Chardon Township	3.750000	2.782378	13	649,621	9	4,494	9	145	11
Chester Township	6.250000	3.598686	8	2,109,432	2	9,957	2	212	6
Claridon Township	** 6.050000	4.191978	6	516,008	10	3,103	12	166	7
Hambden Township	5.500000	4.069672	7	756,504	7	4,676	7	162	9
Huntsburg Township	1.500000	0.884206	16	99,012	16	3,657	11	27	16
Middlefield Township	* 7.300000	5.487492	2	657,215	8	4,525	8	145	10
Montville Township	5.900000	2.944050	12	248,042	14	1,938	16	128	13
Munson Township	7.500000	5.345218	3	2,032,635	3	7,087	3	287	2
Newbury Township	7.100000	5.294239	4	1,406,230	5	5,244	6	268	3
Parkman Township	3.400000	2.105048	15	229,973	15	4,446	10	52	15
Russell Township	6.310000	2.966630	11	1,232,995	6	5,404	5	228	4
Thompson Township	5.950000	3.461965	10	309,322	12	2,144	15	144	12
Troy Township	7.400000	4.684486	5	454,049	11	2,778	14	163	8
Burton Village	7.000000	4.440712	2	202,874	3	1,407	4	144	3
Chardon City	8.500000	6.446105	1	1,417,045	1	5,242	1	270	1
Middlefield Village	* 5.700000	4.373556	3	615,103	2	2,748	3	224	2
South Russell Village	0.000000	0.000000	4	0	4	3,972	2	0	4

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16. Middlefield Township

- ✓ Budget Ad Publication, Schedules A & B
- ✓ No Xfers (2025 & 2026)
- ✓ This Year: GF - 31% c/o, Gas/MVL/Perm/R&B - 167% c/o
 - ✓ Last Year: GF - 90% c/o, Gas/MVL/Perm/R&B - 161% w/o Capital
- ✓ This Year: Amb - 158% c/o
 - ✓ Last Year: Amb - 221% c/o w/o Capital
- ✓ Road & Amb c/o too high!
- ✓ This Year: Must do Road and Ambulance? Reserve Funds
 - ✓ Last Year: Strongly recommend setting up Reserve Funds



17. Auburn Township

- ✓ Budget Ad Publication, Schedules A & B
- ✓ Xfers In = Xfers Out (2025 & 2026)
 - ✓ GF 2026 Contingency too high (ORC 5705.29(A)(1) sets @ 3% of current appropriations = \$23,851.59 vs. \$30k)
 - ✓ 2191 Fire 2025 & 2026 Contingency too high (ORC 5705.29(A)(1) sets @ 3% of current appropriations = \$43,211.32 (2025) & \$43,632.63 (2026) vs. \$50k ea.)
- ✓ 3101 Debt fund co-mingles Fire & Road – Not Recommended
- ✓ GF - 28% c/o, Gas/MVL/Perm/R&B - 18% c/o
- ✓ This Year: Fire - 17% c/o
 - ✓ Last Year: Fire - 31% c/o w/o Capital
- ✓ Recommend additional Reserves
- ✓ Road Levy refund status – Thanks to APA Krissy Rine & Pam McMahan





American Legal Claim Services LLC

Geauga County Auditor's Office Refund Distribution Summary As of August 11, 2025

Settlement Breakdown		Amount
Gross Settlement Amount		\$ 752,041.72
Total Sources to be Transferred to ALCS:		\$ 752,041.72

Class Allocation Summary		Amount
Gross Settlement Amount		\$ 752,041.72
Attorney's Fees and Costs		\$ -
Settlement Administration Costs		\$ -
Class Representative Awards		\$ -
Class Member Payments		\$ 751,931.51
Unallocated Funds due to Rounding		\$ (110.21)

Distribution Summary	Percentage	Count	Amount
Net Distribution Fund		3212	\$ 751,931.51
Checks Cleared	86.27%	2771	\$ (678,527.76)
Unallocated Funds due to Rounding			\$ 110.21
Settlement Balance:		441	\$ 73,513.96

Bank Balance Breakdown	Percentage	Count	Amount
Bank Balance		441	\$ 73,513.96
Checks Reported as Outstanding:	0.22%	7	\$ (857.26)
Checks Reported as Undeliverable:	13.51%	434	\$ (72,546.49)
Unallocated Funds due to Rounding			\$ (110.21)
Unreconciled		0	\$ 0.00

End of Original Check Cashing Period: **Wednesday, July 23, 2025**



17. Auburn Township

- ✓ Ballot Issue: Renewal 1.0mills - Roads
 - ✓ Term is 5 years - No additional tax
 - ✓ If passed, Tax Revenue = \$277,573 Annually @ 100%



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Burton Township	4.880000	3.490360	10	422,360	12	2,972	13	142	9
Chardon Township	6.400000	5.765052	2	1,330,596	5	4,494	9	296	3
Chester Township	5.000000	2.780459	14	1,638,632	3	9,957	2	165	7
Claridon Township	** 2.900000	1.262727	16	163,123	16	3,103	12	53	16
Hambden Township	4.030000	3.306235	11	610,839	10	4,676	7	131	11
Huntsburg Township	8.800000	6.397517	1	698,732	8	3,657	11	191	6
Middlefield Township	6.700000	5.211630	3	621,151	9	4,525	8	137	10
Montville Township	3.800000	2.981700	13	245,471	15	1,938	16	127	12
Munson Township	3.700000	2.306054	15	891,970	7	7,087	3	126	13
Newbury Township	5.500000	4.277143	5	1,134,594	6	5,244	6	216	5
Parkman Township	5.700000	4.160251	7	447,769	11	4,446	10	101	15
Russell Township	7.050000	3.901913	8	1,603,266	4	5,404	5	297	2
Thompson Township	4.550000	3.674433	9	315,632	13	2,144	15	147	8
Troy Township	6.000000	3.046940	12	291,661	14	2,778	14	105	14
Burton Village	3.000000	2.168061	1	95,154	1	1,407	4	68	1
Chardon City	0.000000	0.000000	T3	0	T3	5,242	1	0	T3
Middlefield Village	0.000000	0.000000	T3	0	T3	2,748	3	0	T3
South Russell Village	0.500000	0.323571	2	82,497	2	3,972	2	21	2

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Average

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Includes East Geauga Fire District

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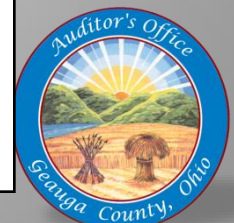
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18. GTSWMD

- *NO Tax Money Used*
- ✓ Schedules A & B – N/A
- ✓ Thank you



19. Geauga County

- ✓ First year for fully funded budgets?
- ✓ GF - 7.6% c/o, (\$3.8M) “And they said it couldn’t be done.” Thanks
 - ✓ Cautionary Note: The music is about to stop, are there enough chairs?
 - ✓ Taxpayers are tapped out, they are demanding relief, and we need a plan!
- ✓ Capital Projects needing \$\$\$\$:
 - ✓ Courthouse Renovation & Courthouse Phase 2
 - ✓ GCOB Parking Expansion
 - ✓ Safety Center Roof and Parking Lot
 - ✓ Courthouse Annex Basement Conference Room
 - ✓ 215 Main Rear Brickwork Repair
 - ✓ Auditor Fiscal Renovation
 - ✓ Prosecutor Project
- ✓ Ballot Issue: Renewal 0.7mills – Children Services (JFS)
 - ✓ Term is 5 years - No additional tax
 - ✓ If passed, Tax Revenue = \$2,331,346 Annually @ 100%

