

EBBETTS PASS FIRE DISTRICT

NEEDS YOUR HELP IN DECIDING OUR FUTURE

DECEMBER 11TH @ 6pm
INDEPENDENCE HALL in White Pines



EPFD is funded, in part, by two special taxes that enable us to provide top notch FIRE and EMS services. The first special tax was voted on and passed in 1998. This provided additional staffing as well as a paramedic within the District 24/7/365. The second was voter approved in 2004. This funded additional staffing and one full-time, paramedic staffed ambulance as well as a second full-time staffed fire station. Currently, EPFD Ambulance transport is available to residents, at no out-of-pocket charge. The increase in personnel has enabled us to achieve the highly sought after designation of ISO CLASS 2 fire department. This is only achieved by the top 2% of all fire departments nation wide!

The Problem:

The two taxes were flat fees with no increases. Each was designed to fund its program for a period of 10 years. The District, through several cost saving measures, has been able to stretch these funds to last 15 and 20 years. However, the special tax budget is no longer sufficient to support these programs. This year we have a \$400,000 deficit.

Questions to ask yourself:

- ★ Do you know that living within an ISO Class 2 rated Fire District can save you hundreds of dollars on homeowners insurance as well as making more insurance carriers available?
- ★ Do you take comfort in knowing that when you call 911, Paramedics are just minutes away from you and your loved ones?
- ★ Do you know that if one of our residents or their family member needs an ambulance transport to the hospital, we provide it with no out-of-pocket expense?
- ★ Do you take pride and security in having your local Fire District at its current level?
- ★ Do you want to keep your local emergency services at or above the current level?

How you can help:

Please attend our town hall/public hearing where we will discuss the situation and collaborate on solutions to the problem!