

**NOTICE OF JOINT MEETINGS TO CONDUCT JOINT PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE
PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ELLETTSVILLE–RICHLAND TOWNSHIP FIRE
PROTECTION TERRITORY**

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers within the Town of Ellettsville, Monroe County, Indiana (“Ellettsville”) and Richland Township, Monroe County, Indiana (“Richland Township”) that the Ellettsville Town Council and the Richland Township Board will hold special joint meetings to conduct joint public hearings to consider the creation of the Ellettsville–Richland Township Fire Protection Territory. An initial public hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ellettsville Town Hall located at 1150 W Guy McCown Drive, Ellettsville, Indiana, to consider a proposed resolution and ordinance for the establishment of the Ellettsville–Richland Township Fire Protection Territory beginning with taxes payable in 2027. Additional public hearings on the proposed resolution and ordinance for the establishment of the Ellettsville–Richland Township Fire Protection Territory will be held by the Ellettsville Town Council and the Richland Township Board on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ellettsville Town Hall located at 1150 W Guy McCown Drive, Ellettsville, Indiana, and again on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ellettsville Town Hall located at 1150 W Guy McCown Drive, Ellettsville, Indiana. On Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ellettsville Town Hall located at 1150 W Guy McCown Drive, Ellettsville, Indiana, the Ellettsville Town Council and the Richland Township Board will vote to either adopt, reject, or table the resolution and ordinance for the establishment of the Ellettsville–Richland Township Fire Protection Territory. If enacted the proposed ordinance and resolution will establish the Ellettsville–Richland Township Fire Protection Territory between the following two Participating Units: the Town of Ellettsville and Richland Township. The Town of Ellettsville shall be the Provider Unit. The Ellettsville-Richland Township Fire Protection Territory will provide for a uniform tax rate within the Territory.

The proposed budget, property tax levy and rate for the Ellettsville–Richland Township Fire Territory for the next three years are shown below. Proposed levies represent maximum amounts. Tax rates are estimates and could vary based on certified net assessed values.

	2027	2028	2029
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Proposed Budget:			
Fire Operating	\$4,502,713	\$4,682,821	\$4,870,134
Fire Territory Equip. Replacement	\$472,832	\$502,058	\$533,328
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Totals	\$4,975,545	\$5,184,879	\$5,403,462
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	2027	2028	2029
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Proposed Property Tax Levy:			
Fire Operating	\$4,346,213	\$4,520,221	\$4,700,734
Fire Territory Equip. Replacement	\$512,287	\$543,951	\$577,830
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Totals	\$4,858,500	\$5,064,172	\$5,278,564
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	2027	2028	2029
Fire Operating	\$0.2825	\$0.2767	\$0.2709
Fire Territory Equip. Replacement	\$0.0333	\$0.0333	\$0.0333
Totals	\$0.3158	\$0.3100	\$0.3042
	2027	2028	2029
Unit's Share of Levy Based on Net Assessed Value:			
Richland Township	\$2,971,925	\$3,081,629	\$3,196,151
Ellettsville Town	\$1,886,575	\$1,982,543	\$2,082,413
Totals	\$4,858,500	\$5,064,172	\$5,278,564

A copy of the proposed resolution, ordinance, and supporting documents will be made available for inspection at the joint public hearings referenced above. All persons seeking additional information may contact Noelle Conyer, Ellettsville Clerk-Treasurer, by phone at (812) 876-3860 or by email at clerktreasurer@ellettsville.in.us. Dated this 6th day of February 2026.

ELLETTSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
RICHLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD