

Take control of your tax money; use your right to vote

I would like to personally thank every Bedford resident who took the time to come out on Sept. 14 and Sept. 21 to sign the petition opposing the \$75 special assessment district road tax. In addition, a big thanks to all of those who attended the meetings at the junior high as well. They took time out of their very busy lives, weathered the storms and stood up for what they believed in: “Your right to vote!”

Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility, in conjunction with the support of Bedford residents were successful in letting their voices be heard and defeated the \$75 tax!

There have been many times in the past that Bedford residents were not asked to vote in regard to how their money would be spent. First, it was the money for the township hall, then the 1 percent processing fee for our taxes, and finally, the \$75 road tax. Enough is enough!

If you want to take control over how your tax money is being spent “the power of voting” ensures your voice will be heard loud and clear.

I encourage all Bedford residents to say “no” on the .5-mill school bond sinking fund and “no” on the MCCC

1-mill with no expiration date levy. By the way, did you know that MCCC already has a 2.1794-mill tax that we have been paying on for 34 years with no expiration date in place as well?

It's time for the township board, the schools, the library and MCCC to learn how to be fiscally responsible. These individuals who are spending taxpayers' money need to learn how to manage their funds and make the money last from one year to the next. They need to stop holding their hand out to taxpayers expecting them to fix every budget they fail to balance due to irresponsible fiscal management.

It looks like the only way we are going to keep our taxes down in this community is to vote our way out of it. Thanks again to all Bedford Township residents who helped to defeat the \$75 road tax. We could not have done it without them and their support. Let's take back our hard-earned tax dollars and just say no.

See you at the polls!

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