PRESS RELEASE ANNOUNCING A PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Quitman County Board of Commissioners today announces its intentions to increase the 2026 property taxes it will levy this year by 11.00% percent over the rollback millage rate.

> Each year, the board of tax assessors is required to review the assessed value for property tax purposes of taxable property in the county. When the trend of prices on properties that have recently sold in the county indicate there has been an increase in the fair market value of any specific property, the board of tax assessors is required by law to re-determine the value of such property and adjust the assessment. This is called a reassessment.

When the total digest of taxable property is prepared, Georgia law requires a rollback millage rate be computed that will produce the same total revenue on the current year's digest that last year's millage rate would have produced had no reassessment occurred.

The budget tentatively adopted by the Quitman County Board of Commissioners requires a millage rate higher than the rollback millage rate; therefore, before the Quitman County Board of Commissions may finalize the tentative budget and set a final millage rate, Georgia law requires three public hearings to be held to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions on the increase.

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearings on this tax increase to be held at the Quitman County Commission Office, 25 Old School Road, Georgetown, GA 39854 on July 30, 2026 at 9:30 a.m., July 30, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. and August 11, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.