

TUESDAY MARCH 18, 2014



“ Shall the Village of Rochester become a home rule unit? ”

What does Home Rule mean for Rochester? It means you give away your right to vote on future tax increases or new taxes. It means you give government bureaucrats a **blank check with your signature!**

- ★ Allows the Village of Rochester to raise property taxes without limit and **without voter approval**
- ★ Allows the Village of Rochester to impose new taxes on businesses, services, parking, groceries, and nearly everything else **without voter approval**
- ★ Allows the government bureaucrats of the Village of Rochester to protect, and even increase, their own salaries and pensions **without voter approval**

**80% of local spending is for salaries and benefits of government employees!**

**See the other side of this flyer for the top taxpayer-funded salaries and pensions in Rochester.**

**Home Rule always means higher taxes.** Why would village government bureaucrats seek to strip you of your right to vote on tax increases?

Polls open 6am to 7pm Tuesday, March 18, 2014. Early voting: 3/3/14 - 3/15/14.



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## TOP 10 PENSIONS IN ROCHESTER

| Name               | Annual Pension | Employee Contributions | Age At Retirement | Pension Paid to Date | *Est. Lifetime Pension Payout | % of Lifetime Est. Paid by Employee |
|--------------------|----------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Donisch John W     | \$46,267       | \$0                    | 60                | \$753,633            | \$942,425                     | 0.0%                                |
| Purnell Frank      | \$29,814       | \$0                    | 62                | \$484,936            | \$543,668                     | 0.0%                                |
| Elston Donald A    | \$21,717       | \$27,128               | 60                | \$198,744            | \$565,652                     | 4.8%                                |
| Caldwell Richard T | \$18,028       | \$29,426               | 65                | \$65,261             | \$420,720                     | 7.0%                                |
| Ushman Peggy L     | \$17,267       | \$32,325               | 56                | \$0                  | \$785,081                     | 4.1%                                |
| Taft Carolyn J     | \$14,468       | \$17,626               | 62                | \$94,548             | \$376,516                     | 4.7%                                |
| Morris Robert W    | \$14,455       | \$25,450               | 62                | \$36,509             | \$430,295                     | 5.9%                                |
| Kruse Nancy F      | \$10,808       | \$20,391               | 55                | \$28,121             | \$465,991                     | 4.4%                                |
| Groat Karen A      | \$9,956        | \$29,162               | 69                | \$14,760             | \$188,577                     | 15.5%                               |
| Groves John B      | \$3,494        | \$12,448               | 68                | \$14,408             | \$62,917                      | 19.8%                               |

\*Estimated Lifetime Pension Payout includes 3% COLA (pension reforms are not yet in effect) and Life Expectancy from IRS form 590.

Before you believe their rhetoric, ask yourself how taxpayers would benefit by handing this power over to government bureaucrats!

What's in it for you?

**What's in it for them?**

## TOP 10 SALARIES IN ROCHESTER

| Name                | 2013 Annual Wages |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Marass William D    | \$75,837          |
| Bragg Kent A        | \$69,674          |
| Beck Wayne          | \$67,704          |
| Schwartz Jonathon P | \$65,861          |
| Sommer Timothy M    | \$51,566          |
| Ransford Steven E   | \$39,804          |
| Folder Todd R       | \$39,369          |
| Wilkin Matthew C    | \$39,015          |
| Laningham Richard D | \$38,143          |
| Crawford Jonathan D | \$31,755          |

