

ON TUESDAY MARCH 20, 2012



What does Home Rule mean for Itasca residents?

Right now, the Village of Itasca must have the support from a majority of voters if they want to raise village taxes.

If Home Rule passes, **this power will be stripped from you.**

- ★ Home Rule would allow Itasca to **raise property taxes and create new taxes** without asking voters for approval.
- ★ Home Rule would exempt Itasca from the current 5% property tax cap, allowing them to **raise your village property taxes by any amount, any time.**
- ★ Home Rule would allow Itasca to **impose new taxes on businesses, gasoline, groceries, parking,** and almost anything else.

"Because of home rule, the possibilities of new taxes are limited only by the ingenuity of municipal officials."

—Jack Seigal, municipal attorney

Home Rule ***always means higher taxes.***

Tax-hungry politicians and government employees are trying to pass this tax increase referendum during the primary when voter turnout is expected to be low. If only 10% of the people in Itasca vote, government employees can pass this referendum all by themselves.

Polls open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.



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ON HOME RULE FOR ITASCA**

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VILLAGE OF ITASCA PUBLIC EMPLOYEE GROSS SALARIES, 2011

Employee	Job Title	Gross Amount
Kauther, Barry P	Watch Commander	\$136,887.66
Scerbicke, Gregory M	Sgt - Watch Commander	\$119,700.67
Teich, Evan	Administrator	\$117,185.44
Michela, Michael J	Sgt - Watch Commander	\$112,941.78
Heher, Scott E	Chief of Police	\$111,722.54
Crotty, Russell P	Sargent	\$108,415.53
Matuga, John M	Sworn Officer	\$108,050.96
Macaluso, Anthony	Sworn Officer	\$106,165.09
Aranas, Nicole P	Dir. Community Devel	\$104,336.39
Poulakidas, Thomas D	Detective	\$102,262.39
Myles, Dean G	Deputy Chief	\$101,757.90
O'Connor, Robert G	Deputy Chief	\$101,757.90
Lesner, John C	Sworn Officer	\$101,367.63
Walker, Michael C	Sworn officer	\$98,467.85
Savageau, Jonathan M	Sworn Officer	\$96,334.04
Hitchcock, Ross G	Dir.of Public Works	\$95,649.76
Ragusin Jr, Gerald F	Sworn Officer	\$95,627.01
Brogan, Richard	Sworn Officer	\$93,982.09
Shrader, Michael J	Detective	\$93,376.58
Ruehl, Matthew A	Sworn Officer	\$93,201.21
Paup, Michael A	Sgt - Watch Commander	\$91,692.36
Anderson, Raymond M	Sworn officer	\$90,968.27
Mace, Timothy G	Sworn Officere	\$88,017.70
Sullivan, Glen P	Sewer Dept Superv	\$86,849.38
Subers, Michael J	Superintendent	\$85,893.01
Kindermann, Jeffrey L	Category 4	\$84,941.96

Employee	Job Title	Gross Amount
Sloan, David R	Superintendent	\$84,301.95
Duda, James P	sworn officer	\$83,617.12
Kaltenbach, Daniel D	Sworn officer	\$78,662.16
Lawson, Scott A	Sworn Officer	\$78,564.43
Jackson, John W	Category 3 - Water	\$76,278.97
Heimbürger, John	Category 4	\$75,265.03
Farley, Frederick K	Category 3	\$74,614.77
Dollas, Keith T	Category 2 - Water	\$72,354.89
Yarbrough, Brian	Category 4	\$71,776.14
Thorpe, Thomas J	Category 2	\$70,603.42
Hansen, Rory D	Category 2 - Water	\$69,853.10
Anderson Jr, Alan	Category 2 - Water	\$68,623.14
Corcoran, Daniel J	IT Manager	\$67,817.38
Collins, Shirley C	Sr. Acct./ Payroll	\$65,801.81
Tracey, Gregg A	Inspector	\$62,997.24
Weber, Christopher W	Category 1	\$61,898.16
Wilson, Barry L	Dispatcher	\$61,689.16
Nejman, John E	Category 2	\$61,515.39
Del Vecchio, Maria N	Dispatcher	\$59,032.60
Votava, Lynn C	Dispatcher	\$58,333.96
Ecklund, Pamela L	Admin. Assistant	\$56,497.31
Vertucci, Laura C	Dispatcher	\$56,071.50
Almeroth, Jason E	Category 2	\$53,544.03
Davis, Grant M	Planner	\$50,643.76
Bennett, Christine E	Records	\$49,277.11

80% of your Itasca Village taxes go to employee wages and LAVISH, GOLD-PLATED pensions! The \$600,000 paid to the police pension fund “represented more than 30 percent of the town’s payroll.” —Daily Herald 1/26/2012

More than fourteen pension recipients currently collect over \$40,000 annually—nine of them, over \$50,000!

HOME RULE MEANS MORE TAXES. VOTE NO!