

JAMES CITY COUNTY RAISING TAXES 21%!

Last year you gave me your email to stay informed on the Property Tax increase -- so this isn't spam. We are coming down to the wire on the vote and I need your help. Here's an update on where we stand.

The BoS is abdicating its responsibility. They are denying that they are raising property taxes and pushing responsibility off on Scott Stevens, the County Administrator. Scott is denying outright that they are raising taxes. He wrote to a friend that the increase is not a tax increase, just a function of rising assessments. He knows better. I've personally told him about VA law declaring it an effective tax increase.

We need to make ourselves heard. **The vote will be taken May 13th** and we need to be there to tell them that we will not stand for it. The meeting is at 5PM in Bldg F, 101 Mounts Bay Rd, right outside Kingsmill's Main Entrance. Arrive before 5PM because you have to sign up to speak. Tell them you are there to speak about the budget. You only get 5 minutes so, please, write out what you want to say so you get your points in.

Further, I would ask you to send an email to your supervisor or to the central email address and tell them that they must turn this tax increase around. It is bad for the community, bad for our seniors on fixed incomes and bad for our working poor.

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I would also ask that you contact friends and ask them to do the same. Our window is closing to stop the tax increase.

Thank you for getting involved.
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