

Miami Township renews fire and rescue levy

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MIAMI TOWNSHIP — Voters in Miami Township approved a renewal 3.8 mill fire and rescue levy in Tuesday's election with an unofficial vote of 2,081 to 302 when the polls closed.

According to Greene County Board of Elections, 87.33 percent of registered voters chose to approve the measure.

Issue 23, generating an estimated \$515,000 annually, has been renewed for a five-year period. The funds from the levy go to Miami Township Fire-Rescue.

Fiscal Officer Margaret Silliman said the levy has been approved easily in the past, but if it had not been renewed this year, there would have been serious consequences for the township.

"It would be a major inconvenience," Silliman said. "Funding for EMS services and staff would basically be wiped out."

The levy costs homeowners \$115.95 per year for every \$100,000 of home value. As a renewal, residents can expect no increase in cost.

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