Acadia Sheriff Asks Sales Tax Approval

CROWLEY — Sheriff Elton A. Arceneaux will be asking voters to approve an additional 4.5 mills tax on Sept. 13 to offset the higher costs of running his department.

“I am sure you know that the cost of everything has gone up,” Arceneaux said in asking voters to support his proposal.

“The costs of gas, repairs, new equipment and other operating expenses have gone up so much just in the last year that we will not much longer be able to afford to give the same service we have been giving in the past,” he added.

Arceneaux said some of the additional revenue to be generated by the tax will be budgeted for cost-of-living salary increases.

The increases would make it easier to hire and keep law enforcement personnel who often are lured away by the higher salaries of private industries, the Acadia Parish sheriff added.

The tax proposal will be on the ballot along with candidates for congressional seats and school board offices.

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