

School Board Meeting:

November 9, 2009

Subject:

2009 Pay 10 Tax Levy

Presenter:

Chuck Klaassen

SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

A report will be presented at Board meeting.

DESCRIPTION:

The 2009 Pay 10 Tax Levy will be certified by the Board of Education on Monday, December 14 following the Levy and Budget presentation at that same meeting. In a change from the previous Truth in Taxation Hearing process, the Board is now required to present this information (I will do that) and then accept comments from the public on the information following the presentation.

Our total certified tax levy for 2009 Pay 10 will be \$13,112,045.30, up slightly from last year's \$12,896,829.70. The total levy increase of \$215,215.60 represents a 1.67% increase.

The break down of the levy and a comparison by type is attached. While the General and Community Service levies are virtually the same as last year, the changes come in the General Debt Service (reduction of \$614,523.95) and new OPEB Debt Service (increase of \$838,712). This first year with OPEB represents 18 months of principal and interest payments. The payment schedule for the OPEB bonds actually calls for a reduction of \$320,000 in the OPEB Debt Service after the first year and continuing for years 2 through 6.

We are still looking at some possible small reductions in several levies that could lower the final amount. I will review these at the workshop.

Attachments:

- Property Tax Process
- Proposed Levy 2010 Comparison
- Tax Comparison Chart 2010