

BOARD BRIEFS

REGULAR MEETING AND LEVY HEARING DECEMBER 18, 2014

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 158 BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD APPROVES LEVY EXTENSION

Tax Bill on a \$200,000 Home Will Increase about \$58

The Board of Education approved the administration's recommendation to extend the 2014 Levy with the Consumer Price Index increase of 1.5% in accordance with the Property Tax Extension

Limitation Law (PTELL).

According to Chief Financial Officer Mark Altmayer, with CPI at 1.5% for Levy Year 2014 (tax bills paid in 2015), before new construction,

the move will extend approximately \$825,000 in additional operating property taxes in accordance with PTELL.

Additional dollars will be levied for new construction,

which has no impact on existing homeowners.

Altmayer said that the extension would result in an increase about \$58 on the tax bill on a home valued at \$200,000. He also stressed that

individual homeowners may see fluctuations in their tax bills based on individual assessments as determined by the township assessor, separate from the District's action.

The approved action also includes a balloon of 1% to protect the District against missing out on

potential revenue in the unlikely event that new construction comes in well above preliminary estimates provided by the McHenry and Kane County assessor, Altmayer said.

"We feel that this increase is especially necessary as a result of continued unknowns coming out of Springfield."

-CFO Mark Altmayer

CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR CONSTRUCTION BID RELEASE TWO

The Board heard several updates on construction projects at Huntley High School.

Bid Release 2 bids were opened on November 20, 2014.

The contracts for trade packages in Bid Release Two total \$7.319 million.

Doug Renkosik, director of operations and maintenance, reported that the District was pleased that the bid totals came in under budgets.

He also reported that the District was pleased with several opportunities to both save money in the long term and as a result of state incentives through using energy-efficient materials in several of the projects ahead.

BOARD RECOGNIZES \$5,500 IN DONATIONS

The Board recognized two donations to District 158:

- \$500 cash gift to Leggee Elementary for math and/or science, from Exxon Mobil

Corporation/ Educational Alliance Program

- \$5,000 cash gift to Marlowe Middle School for art, band, and chorus, from the Helen E. Marlowe Trust.

Additional Actions

In addition, the Board voted to approve:

- Minutes from the following meetings: Regular November 13, 2014, Committee of the Whole (COW) November 6, 2014 and December 4, 2014, and Special meeting November 6, 2014
- Closed executive session meeting minutes of Regular November 13, 2014 and Special meeting November 6, 2014, as presented in closed session
- Personnel report, as presented
- Proposals for new and revised courses at Huntley High School, as presented at the December 6 Committee of the Whole meeting
- Purchase orders, accounts payable, Imprest checks and disbursements, as presented
- Supplemental Purchase Orders Report at \$17,985,330.04 and the Supplemental Accounts Payable Report at \$12,092.21, as presented
- First reading of several policy revisions as discussed at the December 4 COW
- The AIA B101-2007 Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Architect with Arcon and Associates dated August 14, 2014 for the security grant project, as presented
- The Kimley-Horn Proposal dated November 11, 2014 for traffic study services, as presented
- Proceeding with the request for the Waiver for the 2015-2016 Statement of Affairs at the January 15, 2015 Regular Board Meeting.

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