Gardiner Elementary and High School District Senate Bill 307 Resolution of Intent to Increase Permissive Fund Levies March 2021

The Board of Trustees of Gardiner Elementary and Gardiner High School Districts hereby resolves to consider and adopt the following changes in revenues/mills from Adult Education, Transportation, Tuition, Bus Depreciation, and Building Reserve Funds of the Elementary and High School Districts for school fiscal year 2021-22.

Be it further resolved, that as an essential part of its budgeting process, the Gardiner School District Board of Trustees is authorized by law to impose levies to support its budget. The Gardiner School District Board of Trustees estimates the following increases/decreases in revenues and mills for the funds noted below for the next school fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, using certified taxable valuations form the current school fiscal year as provided to the District:

Fund Supported	Estimated Change	Estimated Change in	Estimated Impact	Estimated Impact
	in Tax Revenues	Mills	Home of \$100,000	Home of \$200,000
*EL General Fund	(\$9,574)	(1.61)	(\$2.17)	(\$4.35)
EL Transportation	\$2,728	0.46	\$0.62	\$1.24
EL Bus Depreciation	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EL Tuition	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EL Retirement	\$5,262	0.89	\$1.20	\$2.39
EL Building Reserve	\$199	0.04	\$0.05	\$0.11
Total	(\$1,385)	(0.22)	(\$0.30)	(\$0.60)

Fund Supported	Estimated Change	Estimated Change in	Estimated Impact	Estimated Impact
	in Tax Revenues	Mills	Home of \$100,000	Home of \$200,000
*HS General Fund	\$13,574	1.72	\$2.32	\$4.64
HS Transportation	\$258	0.03	\$0.04	\$0.08
HS Bus Depreciation	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
HS Tuition	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
HS Retirement	\$27,444	3.50	\$4.72	\$9.33
HS Adult Education	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
HS Building Reserve	\$20	0.01	\$0.01	\$0.03
Total	\$41,297	5.26	\$7.10	\$14.20

^{*}General Fund budgets are established by the State of Montana according to formula. The State of Montana recently approved a funding increase for K-12 school districts which is not yet reflected on the estimates from the Office of Public Instruction. As a result, the above estimate is likely overstated and in fact will likely result in a tax decrease. The tax impact may be less as well should the 2021-22 District taxable Value be higher than the 2020-21 taxable value.

The Board of Trustees continue to determine improvements are needed to the school facility that include increased energy efficiency (windows, doors, digital controls), technology enhancements (cabling, smart boards, video), school safety (cameras, locks, blinds), and the replacement of flooring, and future roof and boiler repairs, and exterior building maintenance. Tuition levied funds were not needed for the 2020-21 school year but will potentially be needed for the 2021-22 school year. Sufficient cash will be available in the tuition fund for the 2021-22 school year. The transportation fund has historically been underfunded due to excessive repairs and maintenance for the district's route buses, and insufficient cash reserves.

Be it resolved that the Gardiner Elementary and High School District Board of Trustees approves the resolution of intent to increase permissive fund levies as presented above for the school fiscal year 2021-22.

Board Chairman

Date

Attact: District Clark

Data

The motion to approve the resolution was presented and made at the regular Board meeting held on **March 10, 2021** by Trustee **Patrick Hoppe** and was seconded by Trustee **Laura White** with the vote as follows:

Aye - PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Nay