How will this referendum impact my taxes?

If the referendum passes, there will be no increase to the school district mill rate portion of your tax bill. The current mill rate of $6.85 will remain the same.

How is it possible that we can pass a referendum for $54,500,000 and not see our taxes go up?

The Shawano School District is retiring debt. That means that a previous debt payment that the district paid yearly will be paid off and no longer a debt for the district. Like paying off your car loan or home mortgage. The reduction of that debt allows us to take on debt and maintain the same level of yearly payment. The debt being retired is from the September 2008 referendum that built Hillcrest and the November 2015 referendum that addressed some issues at the Middle School.

Your taxes are impacted by several factors such as land value and the value of your improvements. The school district only contributes to a part of your overall tax bill. It is possible that your taxes could go up if your property value is increased or if other entities such as technical schools or municipalities increase their portion of the tax levy. Based on our projections the school district portion of your mill rate will be unaffected by this referendum.

