

At the commission meeting on March 24th there were statements made that were factually inaccurate that need to be clarified.

During public comment a statement was made that 80 percent of the property taxes collected go directly to the Gladstone School District. This is not the case. The amount is 13.5% or 5.75 mills for homestead property. The total tax rate is 42.475 mills.

Also, during public comment, a statement was made that a new gym was going to cost \$55 Million. The proposal is for a multipurpose room at a cost of \$4.8 Million. This is proposal 2 on the ballot.

It was also stated that the school district collects \$500,000 dollars in interest revenue on their investments. This is not accurate; in 2024 they had an interest revenue of \$125,869. This was their largest return in recent history.

It's important to not perpetuate bad information so these clarifications need to be made. People need accurate information to base their decisions on.