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Overcrowding Forces School Bylaw In East Kildonan

School trustees alone don't decide when new classrooms are needed.

Officials of three provincial government departments thoroughly check to ensure additions are necessary.

Alex. Inglis, chairman of the East Kildonan School Board, outlined some of the prerequisites for a school money bylaw in appealing to East Kildonan ratepayers to approve the \$371,000 school expansion program on Oct. 27th.

He said East Kildonan already has serious overcrowding in some of its schools, and he emphasized that because of higher provincial government building grants, the cost to the average taxpayer with an assessment of \$5,000 will be only \$1.30 a year — just .26 of a mill.

Mr. Inglis said some people seem to have the mistaken belief that trustees alone can decide when a school money bylaw should be placed before ratepayers.

But in reality, there were two big considerations, he said.

School trustees could not call for a vote to provide classrooms for "expected" student enrollment — the students had to be there.

When that need was established, officials of three provincial government departments made a careful check of plans — the Department of Education, the Municipal Board and the Treasury Department.

All requirements have been met for holding the East Kildonan money bylaw next Wednesday, said Mr. Inglis, and building plans have been

approved.

The \$371,000 will build a 12-room addition to Morse Place Junior High School, five classrooms and an activity area for Sherwood Elementary School, and four rooms for McLeod School.

Mr. Inglis said the addition to Morse Place Junior High will include shop and home economics facilities for students who now have to attend such classes in Munroe and John Henderson Schools.

Part of the addition to Sherwood Elementary School would be an activities area. Students are now using a hall in a nearby church.

Overcrowded classes in the McLeod School area meant some students had to walk to John Henderson School, passing the school they used to attend previously. All grade 6 students have had to be moved from McLeod School to John Henderson.

Chief Einfeld Congratulated

Ald. Cliff Garvie moved a resolution at Monday night's meeting of East Kildonan Council that Chris Einfeld, chief of East Kildonan Police, be congratulated on being elected third vice-president of the Police Chiefs Association of Canada at their meeting recently in Niagara Falls.

He also moved that Council go on record as opposing the amalgamation of police forces in the Metro area.

Ald. Spack said he didn't like the motion. "If I vote

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