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BOARD VACANCY NOTICE: AT-LARGE MEMBER  
TO FILL VACANCY UNTIL THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2022 of a vacancy in the membership of the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 294, Decatur County, Kansas, and that such vacancy will be filled by appointment of the Board of Education not sooner than fifteen (15) days following publication of this notice. The appointed member will serve until the next general school board election.

Such vacancy exists by reason of the resignation of Megan Ketterl.

Applications consisting of a Cover Letter and Resume should be submitted to the USD 294 District Office at 131 E. Commercial, Oberlin, KS 67749 by no later than 4:30 PM, Friday, October 9, 2026.

For further information, please reach out to Superintendent Jeremy Holloway at 785-475-3805.

By order of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 294, Decatur County, Kansas, this 14th day of September, 2026.

*Jolene Dempenoff*  
Clerk, Board of Education

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

STATE OF KANSAS, CHEYENNE COUNTY, ss

Office of the County Clerk, Saint Francis, KS

As required by K.S.A. 25-105, notice is hereby given there will be a General Election held in Cheyenne County, Kansas, Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

The candidates for members of the National Offices, State Offices and District if composed of more than one County, have been approved by the State Board of Canvassers and certified to this office by the Secretary of State, the names of candidates being arranged in the manner in which they will appear on the Official Ballot in Cheyenne County, Kansas.

The candidates for County Offices and Township Offices have filed declaration papers in the office of the County Clerk and being found regular are entitled to have their names on the Official General Ballot of Cheyenne County, Kansas subject to the rotation of names pursuant to law governing the same. The names of the candidates for National, State and District offices are shown and arranged, as they must appear on all the printed ballots of the County.

ADVANCE VOTING BY MAIL AND/OR IN PERSON

As required by K.S.A. 25-1123 advanced voting by mail shall begin on Wednesday, October 14, 2026; please contact the Cheyenne County Clerk's office at 785.332.8800 or e-mail at [sandrist@cncooks.us](mailto:sandrist@cncooks.us) for an application to receive a ballot by mail. ID REQUIRED.

As required by K.S.A. 25-1122(g)-1123 advanced voting in person shall begin at the Cheyenne County Courthouse, 212 E Washington, Saint Francis, KS on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; ending November 2, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. Please contact the Cheyenne County Clerk's office at 785.332.8800 or e-mail at [sandrist@cncooks.us](mailto:sandrist@cncooks.us) for further information. ID REQUIRED.

VOTING HOURS AND VOTING PLACES on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026

The voting hours will be from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Voting locations will be the Immanuel United Methodist Church in Bird City and the Peace Lutheran Church in St Francis.

NATIONAL & STATE OFFICES

UNITED STATES SENATE (Vote for One)

David C. Graham – LIBERTARIAN  
Adam Hamilton – DEMOCRATIC  
Roger Marshall – REPUBLICAN

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DISTRICT 1 (Vote for One)

Steven Jacob – LIBERTARIAN  
Tracy Mann – REPUBLICAN  
Lauren Reinhold – DEMOCRATIC

GOVERNOR/LT. GOVERNOR (Vote for One)

Cindy Holscher / KC Olabosin – DEMOCRATIC  
Ty Masterson/Jeffrey Klemp – REPUBLICAN

SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for One)

Jennifer Day – DEMOCRATIC  
Scott E. Morgan – UNITED KANSAS  
Pat Proctor – REPUBLICAN

ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for One)

Kris Kobach – REPUBLICAN  
Chris Mann – DEMOCRATIC

STATE TREASURER (Vote for One)

Steven Johnson – REPUBLICAN  
Juan C. Luengo – DEMOCRATIC  
Eric Lund – LIBERTARIAN

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE (Vote for One)

Daniel Hawkins – REPUBLICAN  
Ric Koehn – LIBERTARIAN  
Dinah Sykes – DEMOCRATIC

KANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE, 120<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT (Vote for One)

Adam Smith – REPUBLICAN

MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 5<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT (Vote for One)

Jean Clifford – REPUBLICAN  
Lorie Wood – DEMOCRATIC

COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 1 (Vote for One)

William Martinez – REPUBLICAN

WANOI TOWNSHIP CLERK (Vote for One)

Rodney E. Radcliffe – REPUBLICAN

TOWNSHIP CLERK: One for each Township

SUPREME COURT FOR JUSTICE

Shall Eric S. Rosen, Topeka, Position No. 4, be retained in office?

Shall Larkin E. Walsh, Leawood, Position No. 6, be retained in office?

COURT OF APPEALS FOR JUDGE

Shall Lesley Ann Isherwood, Wichita, Position No. 2, be retained in office?

Shall Amy Fellows Cline, Wichita, Position No. 3, be retained in office?

Shall Kim R. Schroeder, Hugoton, Position No. 5, be retained in office?

Shall Lori Ann Bolton Fleming, Weir, Position No. 7, be retained in office?

Shall Jacy Hurst, Lawrence, Position No. 13, be retained in office?

☐ Yes ☐ No

SPECIAL QUESTION FOR CHEYENNE COUNTY

Shall the sale of alcoholic liquor by the individual drink in Cheyenne County, Kansas, be allowed in public places without a requirement that any portion of their gross receipts be from sales of food?

☐ Yes ☐ No

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2026.

Sharissa Andrist, Cheyenne County Clerk/Election Officer  
Cheyenne County, Kansas

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

2027

The governing body of

City of Rexford

will meet on October 5, 2026 at 7:00 pm at Rexford City Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Rexford City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

| FUND                             | Prior Year Actual for 2025 |                  | Current Year Estimate for 2026 |                  | Proposed Budget for 2027          |                               |                    |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                  | Expenditures               | Actual Tax Rate* | Expenditures                   | Actual Tax Rate* | Budget Authority for Expenditures | Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax | Estimate Tax Rate* |
| General                          | 61,994                     | 20.906           | 60,950                         | 20.572           | 58,950                            | 23,460                        | 19.289             |
| Debt Service                     |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
| Library                          |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
|                                  |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
|                                  |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
|                                  |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
| Special Highway                  | 1,598                      |                  |                                |                  | 58,822                            |                               |                    |
| Utility                          | 110,951                    |                  | 54,030                         |                  | 181,622                           |                               |                    |
|                                  |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
|                                  |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
|                                  |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
|                                  |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
| Totals                           | 174,553                    | 20.906           | 124,980                        | 20.572           | 299,394                           | 23,460                        | 19.289             |
| Revenue Neutral Rate** 19.309    |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
| Less: Transfers                  | 0                          |                  | 0                              |                  | 0                                 |                               |                    |
| Net Expenditure                  | 174,553                    |                  | 124,980                        |                  | 299,394                           |                               |                    |
| Total Tax Levied                 | 23,510                     |                  | 23,483                         |                  | 299,394                           |                               |                    |
| Assessed Valuation               | 1,124,579                  |                  | 1,141,555                      |                  | 1,216,208                         |                               |                    |
| Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1, |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                    |
| G.O. Bonds                       | 0                          |                  | 0                              |                  | 0                                 |                               |                    |
| Revenue Bonds                    | 0                          |                  | 0                              |                  | 0                                 |                               |                    |
| Other                            | 0                          |                  | 0                              |                  | 0                                 |                               |                    |
| Lease Purchase Principal         | 0                          |                  | 0                              |                  | 0                                 |                               |                    |
| Total                            | 0                          |                  | 0                              |                  | 0                                 |                               |                    |

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills.  
\*\* Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Alice Foster  
City Official Title: City Clerk

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Union Rawlins

will meet on October 5th, 2026 at 8:00 am at Mojo Espresso & Bistro 113 S. 4th Street Atwood, Ks 67730 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Rawlins County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

| Fund              | Prior Year Actual 2025 |                  | Current Year Estimate 2026 |                  | Proposed Budget 2027              |                               |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                   | Expenditures           | Actual Tax Rate* | Expenditures               | Actual Tax Rate* | Budget Authority for Expenditures | Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax | Proposed Estimated Tax Rate* |
| General           | 207                    |                  | 4,950                      |                  | 4,950                             |                               |                              |
| Debt Service      |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Library           |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Road              |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Special Machinery |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Totals            | 207                    | 0.000            | 4,950                      | 0.000            | 4,950                             | 0                             | 0.000                        |

|                                 |           |  |           |  |                 |  |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--|-----------|--|-----------------|--|--|
| Revenue Neutral Rate** 0.000    |           |  |           |  |                 |  |  |
| Less: Transfers                 | 0         |  | 0         |  | 0               |  |  |
| Net Expenditure                 | 207       |  | 4,950     |  | 4,950           |  |  |
| Total Tax Levied                | 0         |  | 0         |  | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx |  |  |
| Assessed Valuation:             |           |  |           |  |                 |  |  |
| Township                        | 1,602,796 |  | 1,465,332 |  | 1,555,316       |  |  |
| Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1 |           |  |           |  |                 |  |  |
| G.O. Bonds                      | 2024      |  | 2025      |  | 2026            |  |  |
| Other                           | 0         |  | 0         |  | 0               |  |  |
| Lease Purchase Principal        | 0         |  | 0         |  | 0               |  |  |
| Total                           | 0         |  | 0         |  | 0               |  |  |

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Union Township  
Governing Body

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Thomas County Fire District # 4 Thomas

will meet on October 5, 2026 at 7:25 pm at Rexford City Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information is available at Rexford City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Thomas (home county) Sheridan

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

| FUND         | Prior Year Actual 2025 |                  | Current Year Estimate for 2026 |                  | Proposed Budget Year for 2027     |                               |                              |
|--------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
|              | Expenditures           | Actual Tax Rate* | Expenditures                   | Actual Tax Rate* | Budget Authority for Expenditures | Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax | Proposed Estimated Tax Rate* |
| General      | 63,947                 | 2.068            | 60,000                         | 1.561            | 185,400                           | 27,083                        | 1.571                        |
| Debt Service |                        |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                        |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                        |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                        |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                        |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Totals       | 63,947                 | 2.068            | 60,000                         | 1.561            | 185,400                           | 27,083                        | 1.571                        |

|                                  |            |  |            |  |                     |  |  |
|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|--|---------------------|--|--|
| Revenue Neutral Rate** 1.573     |            |  |            |  |                     |  |  |
| Less: Transfers                  | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Net Expenditures                 | 63,947     |  | 60,000     |  | 185,400             |  |  |
| Total Tax Levied                 | 35,430     |  | 27,155     |  | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx |  |  |
| Assessed Valuation:              | 12,926,757 |  | 17,401,810 |  | 17,245,159          |  |  |
| Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1, |            |  |            |  |                     |  |  |
| G.O. Bonds                       | 2024       |  | 2025       |  | 2026                |  |  |
| Revenue Bonds                    | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Other                            | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Lease Pur. Princ.                | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Total                            | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |

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Alice Foster  
City Clerk

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Rexford Cemetery District Thomas

will meet on October 5, 2026 at 7:15 pm at Rexford City Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information is available at Rexford City Hall and will be available at this hearing.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Thomas (home county) Sheridan

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

| FUND         | Prior Year Actual for 2025 |                  | Current Year Estimate for 2026 |                  | Proposed Budget Year for 2027     |                               |                              |
|--------------|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
|              | Expenditures               | Actual Tax Rate* | Expenditures                   | Actual Tax Rate* | Budget Authority for Expenditures | Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax | Proposed Estimated Tax Rate* |
| General      | 7,144                      | 0.646            | 7,373                          | 0.562            | 91,180                            | 7,367                         | 0.569                        |
| Debt Service |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
|              |                            |                  |                                |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Totals       | 7,144                      | 0.646            | 7,373                          | 0.562            | 91,180                            | 7,367                         | 0.569                        |

|                                  |            |  |            |  |                     |  |  |
|----------------------------------|------------|--|------------|--|---------------------|--|--|
| Revenue Neutral Rate** 0.570     |            |  |            |  |                     |  |  |
| Less: Transfers                  | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Net Expenditures                 | 7,144      |  | 7,373      |  | 91,180              |  |  |
| Total Tax Levied                 | 8,737      |  | 7,373      |  | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx |  |  |
| Assessed Valuation               | 11,074,487 |  | 13,132,441 |  | 12,943,170          |  |  |
| Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1, |            |  |            |  |                     |  |  |
| G.O. Bonds                       | 2024       |  | 2025       |  | 2026                |  |  |
| Revenue Bonds                    | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Other                            | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Lease Pur. Princ.                | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |
| Total                            | 0          |  | 0          |  | 0                   |  |  |

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Alice Foster  
City Clerk

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Center Township Rawlins

will meet on October 5th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Jamboree Deli 106 N. 4th Street Atwood, Kansas 67730 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Rawlins County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

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| Fund              | Prior Year Actual 2025 |                  | Current Year Estimate 2026 |                  | Proposed Budget 2027              |                               |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                   | Expenditures           | Actual Tax Rate* | Expenditures               | Actual Tax Rate* | Budget Authority for Expenditures | Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax | Proposed Estimated Tax Rate* |
| General           | 4,500                  |                  | 13,500                     |                  | 4,725                             |                               |                              |
| Debt Service      |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Library           |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Road              |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Cemetery          | 4,592                  | 0.062            | 5,250                      | 0.060            | 16,540                            | 771                           | 0.056                        |
| Special Machinery |                        |                  |                            |                  |                                   |                               |                              |
| Totals            | 9,092                  | 0.062            | 18,750                     | 0.060            | 21,265                            | 771                           | 0.056                        |

|                              |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Revenue Neutral Rate** 0.056 |  |  |  |
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