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GOVERNMENT

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Bennington Cemetery #5
Ottawa County

will meet on August 26, 2027 at 7 p.m. at Bennington City Hall, Bennington, KS 67422 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 1955 Frontier Road, Bennington, KS 67422 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 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	15,809	0.452	22,110	0.432	24,910	11,023	0.420
Debt Service							
Totals	15,809	0.452	22,110	0.432	24,910	11,023	0.420
Revenue Neutral Rate** 0.423							
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	15,809		22,110		24,910		
Total Tax Levied	11,088		11,051		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	24,580,742		25,635,649		26,232,386		

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

Kent Boster

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
White Cloud Cemetery # & D #1
Ottawa County

will meet on August 12, 2026 at 7 p.m. at Longford Senior Center, 107 Weda, Longford, KS 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 3452 Barn Road, Abilene, KS 67410 and will be available at this hearing.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Ottawa County (home county) Dickinson County

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	3,862	2.877	4,535	2.151	6,015	3,526	1.710
Debt Service							
Totals	3,862	2.877	4,535	2.151	6,015	3,526	1.710
Revenue Neutral Rate** 2.103							
Less: Transfers	772		0		700		
Net Expenditures	3,090		4,535		5,315		
Total Tax Levied	5,848		4,332		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation:	2,032,752		2,014,705		2,061,529		

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**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Sharolyn Sanchez

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
City of Delphos

will meet on August 11, 2026 at 7:00 PM at Delphos 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 Delphos City Hall 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 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	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*	
General	223,857	57.099	211,677	61.206	313,536	117,048	56.576
Debt Service				2.995			
Library	13,563	2.996	14,032		14,733	6,196	2.995
Special Highway	10,139		12,000		24,710		
Parks and Rec	10,784		6,850		10,680		
Water Fund	90,078		129,298		184,188		
Sewer Fund	50,561		46,000		78,277		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	51,859						
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	2,488						
Totals	453,329	60.095	419,857	64.201	626,124	123,244	59.571
Revenue Neutral Rate** 59.571							
Less: Transfers	20,000		20,000		20,000		
Net Expenditure	433,329		399,857		606,124		
Total Tax Levied	105,473		123,240		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed							
Valuation	1,755,138		1,919,622		2,068,865		
Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1,	2024		2025		2026		
G.O. Bonds	998,249		976,403		953,956		
Revenue Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	5,578		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	4,333		307		8,789		
Total	1,008,160		976,710		962,745		

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** Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Karen Kiser
Official Title: City Clerk

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
City of Tescott

will meet on August 5, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. at 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 City Hall 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 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	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*	
General	123,644	31.108	124,640	28.757	139,390	49,146	28.883
Debt Service							
Library							
Special Highway	4,180		9,850		10,490		
Utility Fund	79,066		79,515		82,250		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	8,010						
Totals	214,900	31.108	214,005	28.757	232,130	49,146	28.883
Revenue Neutral Rate** 28.902							
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	214,900		214,005		232,130		
Total Tax Levied	49,490		49,174		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	1,590,930		1,710,036		1,701,521		
Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1,	2024		2025		2026		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		606,000		
Revenue Bonds	105,236		0		0		
Other	0		98,130		90,871		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	105,236		98,130		696,871		

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** Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Trena S. Church
Official Title: City Clerk

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NOTICE OF REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE HEARING AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Minneapolis Rec Commission

will meet on September 09, 2026 at 6:30 p.m at Minneapolis City Hall, 311 N Mill St, Minneapolis, KS hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of funds. Detailed budget information is available at County Clerk's Office, 307 N Concord, Minneapolis, KS and will be available at this meeting.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Ottawa County (home county)

BUDGET SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

The proposed budget year expenditure amount is the maximum expenditure limit for the proposed budget

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2025	Current Year Estimated 2026	Proposed Budget Year 2027
General	61,209	99,808	103,438
Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988			3.926
Total Proposed Estimated Tax Rate			4.000

Kristina Nelson
Recreation Commission Secretary

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Greenville Cemetery #3
Ottawa County

will meet on August 18, 2026 at 7 p.m. at Niles Community Center, Niles KS 67480 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 82 N. 252nd Road, Solomon, KS 67480 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 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	6,020	1.375	7,650	1.420	47,950	6,306	1.334
Debt Service							
Totals	6,020	1.375	7,650	1.420	47,950	6,306	1.334
Revenue Neutral Rate** 1.395							
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	6,020		7,650		47,950		
Total Tax Levied	6,658		6,592		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	4,843,038		4,643,291		4,727,371		

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**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Virginia Brown

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Salt Creek Watershed District #46
Lincoln County

will meet on August 18, 2026 at 8:00 p.m. at Watershed Office - Barnard 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 Watershed Office - Barnard and will be available at this hearing.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Lincoln County (home county) Mitchell County, Ottawa County

BUDGET SUMMARY

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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	50,251	2.641	63,000	2.617	500,000	59,784	2.442
Debt Service							
Totals	50,251	2.641	63,000	2.617	500,000	59,784	2.442
Revenue Neutral Rate** 2.600							
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	50,251		63,000		500,000		
Total Tax Levied	67,155		63,644		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation:	25,431,300		24,322,624		24,479,337		

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1, 2024 | | 2025 | | 2026 | | || G.O. Bonds | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
Revenue Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Pur. Princ.	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		0		

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**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Arlen Bacon

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
City of Kansas
Special District

will meet on August 12, 2026 at 7 p.m. at Niles Community Center, Niles KS 67480 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 82 N. 252nd Road, Solomon, KS 67480 and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

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Debt Service							
Library							
Special Highway	4,180		9,850		10,490		
Utility Fund	79,066		79,515		82,250		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	8,010						
Totals	214,900	31.108	214,005	28.757	232,130	49,146	28.883
Revenue Neutral Rate** 28.902							
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	214,900		214,005		232,130		
Total Tax Levied	49,490		49,174		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	1,590,930		1,710,036		1,701,521		
Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1,	2024		2025		2026		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		606,000		
Revenue Bonds	105,236		0		0		
Other	0		98,130		90,871		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	105,236		98,130		696,871		

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** Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Trena S. Church
Official Title: City Clerk

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF)
) Case No. OT-2026-PR-000022
HOLDAN M. HARTMAN A/K/A)
HOLDAN HARTMAN, DECEASED) Title to Real Estate Involved
(Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition was filed in said Court by Erin Hartman, Petitioner, praying that the descent be determined with respect to all property or interests therein owned by the decedent at the time of his death; and that such property and all personal property owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before August 11, 2026 at 10:00 AM in the City of Minneapolis, Ottawa County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Erin Hartman
PETITIONER

/s/ Lance H. Cochran
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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“You’ve got to get to the stage in life where going for it is more important than winning or losing.”

~Arthur Ashe

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