CERTIFICATE

2024

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Final County Assessed	
Ross Township	8,375,813
Roseland	414,394
West Mineral	763,049
Nov 1, 2023 Total Assessed Valuation	43,653 — Cherokee city
	9,596,909

Township Only Funds Revenue Neutral Rate	0.000
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Assisted by:
Carolyn Brock

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Topeka, KS 66611
Email:
brockck@sbcglobal.net

Attest: Aug 24, 2023
McKaeen Heistand - Deputy
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CPA Summary

Resolution No. 01-2023

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WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 23, 2023 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Ross Township, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE Ross Township:

The Ross Township shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 2.035 mills.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED this 23 day of Aug 2023 (month and year) and SIGNED by the Governing Body.

Dixie Perry

Matthew J Ross

Jeannie Johnson

Attested:

Roll Call Vote

Governing Body Members (please Print)	Yes	No	No Vote
Dixie Perry	✓		
Matthew J Ross	✓		
Jeannie Johnson	✓		
Total			

Attested: _____

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Jeannie Johnson
Treasurer

Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent

THE GOVERNING BODY OF Ross Township, HEREBY NOTIFIES THE Chrerokee County CLERK OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

XXXXX Yes, we intend to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate and our proposed mill levy rate is 2.294. The date of our hearing is August 23, 2023 at 7:00 PM and will be held at West Mineral Fire Dept , Kansas.

_____ No, we do not plan to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate and will submit our budget to the County Clerk on or before August 25, 2023_.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on 6/20, 2023_.

(Seal)

Jeannie M Johnson
Clerk or Officer of Governing Body

Steps that must be taken to increase levy beyond the Revenue Neutral Rate (RNR) For the 2024 Budget

Notify the County Clerk that the budget will exceed the RNR by **July 20th**.
Set hear date for between **August 20th and September 20th**.
Set a location to hold the hearing

Publish the Notice of Hearing on the Website (if you have one) and in the locally circulation newspaper at least 10 days or more prior to the hearing date

All Members of the Board must attend the hearing

Listen to the concerns of the taxpayers, but governing board is not compelled to act

Have a member make a motion by saying the following: I make a motion ....
" The ___(name of municipal)___shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of __(what the Co Clerk issued)_mills."

Have a vote of the Member of the Board to pass the resolution

A resolution has to be passed and signed, and the Roll Call Vote section completed.

Adjourn this part of the meeting

Open the Budget Hearing

The Board members can now adopt the budget by signing the Certificate page.

OR should the adoption of the budget meeting have to be conducted later, a separate notice must be published with at least 10 day or more notice prior to the new hearing date.

Should you decide to decrease the amount of the increase; then the budget document needs to be adjusted to reflect the actual agreed upon amount.

The SIGNED budget, resolution and roll call vote must be to the County Clerk before **October 1st**

Notice: "County Clerks are authorized by HB 2239 to limit tax rate to RNR of subdivions that did not property follow the statutory procedure to exceed." Therefore make sure that all the meeting rules are followed, signed items are submitted, newspaper publication & affidavit are submitted.

Penalty: There is a penalty for non-compliance of Senate Bill 13. A refund will be made to taxpayers any amount levied in excess of RNR. The County Treasurer will make the refunds. The County Treasurer will bill the entity for cost of making the refund.

May 2023

Carolyn Brock 785-633-7756

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Attested:

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Roll Call Vote

Governing Body Members (please Print)	Yes	No	No Vote
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2024

Allocation of MV, RV, 16/20M, Commercial Vehicle, and Watercraft Tax Estimates

	Budgeted Funds for 2023	Tax Levies in the 2023 Budget	Allocation for Year 2024									
			MVT - Township	MVT - City	RVT - Township	RVT - City	16/20M - Township	16/20 - City	CommVeh - Twnshp	CommVeh - City	Wtrcraft - Township	Wtrcraft - City
•••	General	2.253	403	0	15	0	248	0	278	0	10	0
•••	Debt Service	0.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
•••	Library	0.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Road	0.000	0		0		0		0		0	
	Special Road	0.000	0		0		0		0		0	
	Noxious Weed	0.000	0		0		0		0		0	
	Fire Protection	0.000	0		0		0		0		0	
•••		0.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	Total	2.253	403		15		248		278		10	
	Total - 3rd Class City Levies (•••)	2.253		0		0		0		0		0

Ross Township

Schedule of Transfers

Expenditure Fund Transferred From:	Receipt Fund Transferred To:	Actual Amount for 2022	Current Amount for 2023	Proposed Amount for 2024	Transfers Authorized by Statute
None					
	Total	0	0	0	
	Adjustments*				
	Adjusted Totals	0	0	0	

*Note: Adjustments are required only if the transfer is being made in 2023 and/or 2024 from a non-budgeted fund.

Ross Township
Chrerokee County

2024

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Type of Debt	Date of Issue	Interest Rate %	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding Jan 1, 2023	Date Due		Amount Due 2023		Amount Due 2024	
					Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal
G.O. Bonds										
Total G.O. Bonds				0			0	0	0	0
Other										
Total Other				0			0	0	0	0
Total				**0**			**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

STATEMENT OF CONDITIONAL LEASE-PURCHASE AND CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION*

Items Purchased	Contract Date	Term of Contract (Months)	Interest Rate %	Total Amount Financed (Beginning Principal)	Principal Balance On Jan 1, 2023	Payments Due 2023	Payments Due 2024
None							
				Total	**0**	**0**	**0**

***If leasing/renting with no intent to purchase, do not list--such transactions are not lease-purchases.

Ross Township 2024

FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY

Adopted Budget **General**	Prior Year Actual for 2022	Current Year Estimate for 2023	Proposed Budget Year for 2024
Unencumbered Cash Balance January 1	6,550	7,402	3,865
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	21,986	19,418	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax			
Motor Vehicle Tax		458	403
Recreational Vehicle Tax		14	15
16/20 M Vehicle Tax		143	248
Commercial Vehicle Tax			278
Watercraft Tax		13	10
LAVTR			0
Gross Earnings (Intangibles) Tax			0
Interest on Idle Funds			
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate			0
Miscellaneous			
Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Rec			
Total Receipts	**21,986**	**20,046**	**954**
Resources Available:	**28,536**	**27,448**	**4,819**
Expenditures:			
Officers Pay	90	180	180
Edgemont Cemetery	1,500	1,500	1,500
Fire Protection - 2 Units	19,398	21,428	23,863
Mineral Fire Truck Repair			
Supplies		300	1,000
Budget & Publications	146	175	175
Transfer to Spec. Mach.(No Levy)			
Does the General Fund have a tax levy			
Transfer to Spec. Mach.(Gen has Levy)			
Transfer can not exceed 25% Resources Avai			
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Expenditures			
Total Expenditures	**21,134**	**23,583**	**26,718**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	7,402	3,865	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2022/2023/2024 Budget Authority Amount:	26,558	24,483	26,718
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	26,718
		Tax Required	21,899
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2023 Ad Valorem Tax	21,899

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF KANSAS, COUNTY OF CHEROKEE, SS:

Larry Hiatt of lawful age, being first duly sworn, deposeth and saith, he/she is Legal Representative of the Columbus News-Report

A twice weekly newspaper published in the city of Columbus, Cherokee County, Kansas, and not a trade, religious, or fraternal publication, and which newspaper has been entered as second-class mail matter in the United States Post Office, Columbus, Kansas. The Columbus News-Report has been continuously and uninterruptedly published two times weekly for more than fifty weeks a year and has been so published for more than one year prior to the first publication of the notice hereinafter mentioned. A copy of that notice, is hereto attached, and was published in the regular June 27, 2023 issue of said Columbus News-Report. Affiant further says that he has personal knowledge of the statements set forth, and that they are true.

June 27, 2023

Donna Martin

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: May 14, 2025

Printer's Fee: $ 36

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My Appt Exp: 5/14/25

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RAVEN YOUNGBLOOD
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Ross Township

May 10, 2023

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16/20M Vehicle Tax K.S.A. 79-5111	General	$	222.78
Commercial Vehicle Tax	General	$	
Watercraft Tax	General	$	9.19

Date: 5/12/23 By: Raven Youngblood

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