CERTIFICATE

2025

To the Clerk of Ellsworth County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, officers of
Empire Township
certify that: (1) the hearing mentioned in the attached publication was held;
(2) after the Budget Hearing this budget was approved and adopted as the
maximum expenditures for the various funds for the year 2025; and (3) the
Amount(s) of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax are within statutory limitations for the 2025 Budget.

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Fund	K.S.A.				
General	79-1962		55,574	41,959	5.288
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Special Machinery					
Totals		xxxxxx	55,574	41,959	5.288
Budget Hearing Notice					County Clerk's Use Only
Combined Rate and Budget Hearing Notice					7,934,563
Rate Hearing Notice					Nov 1, 2024 Total Assessed Valuation
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate					

Revenue Neutral Rate	5.289
Does budget require a resolution to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate?	NO

Assisted by:

Address:

Email:

Attest: July 30, 2024
County Clerk

SEAL OF THE ELLSWORTH COUNTY CLERK ELLSWORTH COUNTY KANSAS

7-2-2024

7-2-2024

Governing Body

Special Road Election held for Mills for years.
First levy in .

CPA Summary

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Ellsworth County

2025

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

Budgeted Funds for 2024	Tax Levy Amount in 2024 Budget	Allocation for Year 2025				
		MVT	RVT	16/20M Veh	Comm Veh	Watercraft
General	41,959	1,332	53	121	0	529
Debt Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
Library	0	0	0	0	0	0
Road	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	41,959	1,332	53	121	0	529

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 1,332

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 53

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 121

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 0

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 529

MVT Factor 0.03175

RVT Factor 0.00126

16/20M Factor 0.00288

Comm Veh Factor 0.00000

Watercraft Factor 0.01261

2025

Empire Township

Schedule of Transfers

Expenditure Fund Transferred From:	Receipt Fund Transferred To:	Actual Amount for 2023	Current Amount for 2024	Proposed Amount for 2025	Transfers Authorized by Statute
General	Special Machinery	13,843	-	-	KSA 80-1406b
General	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
Road	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
	Total	13,843	0	0	
	Adjustments*				
	Adjusted Totals	13,843	0	0	

*Note: Adjustments are required only if the transfer is being made in 2024 and/or 2025 from a non-budgeted fund.

Empire Township
Ellsworth County

2025

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Type of Debt	Date of Issue	Interest Rate %	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding Jan 1, 2024	Date Due		Amount Due 2024		Amount Due 2025	
					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 Indebtedness				**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, 2024	Payments Due 2024	Payments Due 2025
				Total	**0**	**0**	**0**

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

Empire Township 2025

FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY

Adopted Budget **General**	Prior Year Actual for 2023	Current Year Estimate for 2024	Proposed Budget Year for 2025
Unencumbered Cash Balance January 1	217	33	10
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	42,053	41,959	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax	626		
Motor Vehicle Tax	1,276	1,213	1,332
Recreational Vehicle Tax	55	57	53
16/20 M Vehicle Tax	47	47	121
Commercial Vehicle Tax	0	0	0
Watercraft Tax	0	469	529
Gross Earnings (Intangibles) Tax			0
Special Highway	2,612	2,586	2,571
Government Lease	3,612	9,000	9,000
Interest on Idle Funds	263		
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate			0
Miscellaneous			
Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Rec			
Total Receipts	**50,544**	**55,331**	**13,606**
Resources Available:	**50,761**	**55,364**	**13,615**
Expenditures:			
Officers Pay	3,544	5,400	3,545
Salaries & Wages	5,550	9,777	5,551
Employee Benefits	495	1,588	496
Supplies		642	
Road Equipment	4,461	277	7,688
Road Maintenance	15,962	33,591	30,826
Insurance	4,373	3,482	4,373
Noxious Weed	0	597	597
Fire	2,500		2,500
Cash Reserve (2025 column)			
Transfer to Spec. Mach.(No Levy)	13,843		
Does the General Fund have a tax levy	**Not Authorized**		
Transfer to Spec. Mach.(Gen has Levy)			
Transfer can not exceed 25% Resources Avail			
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Expenditures			
Total Expenditures	**50,728**	**55,354**	**55,574**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	33	10	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2023/2024/2025 Budget Authority Amount:	55,836	55,354	55,574
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	55,574
		Tax Required	41,959
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	41,959

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Empire Township 2025

FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY

Adopted Budget **Road**	Prior Year Actual for 2023	Current Year Estimate for 2024	Proposed Budget Year for 2025
Unencumbered Cash Balance January 1		0	0
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax		0	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax			
Motor Vehicle Tax			0
Recreational Vehicle Tax			0
16/20M Vehicle Tax			0
Commercial Vehicle Tax			0
Watercraft Tax			0
Special Highway/Gasoline Tax			0
Interest on Idle Funds			
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate			0
Miscellaneous			
Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Rec			
Total Receipts	**0**	**0**	**0**
Resources Available:	**0**	**0**	**0**
Expenditures:			
Salaries & Wages			
Employee Benefits			
Road Maintenance			
Road Materials			
Equipment			
Cash Reserve (2025 column)			
Transfer to Special Machinery			
Does transfer exceed 25% of Resources Avail			
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Expenditures			
Total Expenditures	**0**	**0**	**0**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	0	0	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2023/2024/2025 Budget Authority Amount:	0	0	0
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	0
		Tax Required	0
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	0

Special Machinery

K.S.A. 68-141g	**2023 Actual Year**
Unencumbered Cash Balance, Jan 1	127,345
Transfers from:	
Road Fund	0
General Fund(No Levy)	13,843
General Fund(Gen has Levy)	0
Interest on Idle Funds	510
Other	
Resources Available:	141,698
Total Expenditures	36,504
Unencumbered Cash Balance, Dec 31	**105,194**

CPA Summary

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Empire Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on July 29, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at Monte Nelson Residence 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 County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2025 Expenditures and Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2025 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Prior Year Actual 2023		Current Year Estimate 2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
Fund	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	50,728	5.259	55,354	5.485	55,574	41,959	5.289
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery	36,504						
Totals	87,232	5.259	55,354	5.485	55,574	41,959	5.289
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*5.289*
Less: Transfers	13,843		0		0		
Net Expenditure	73,389		55,354		55,574		
Total Tax Levied	41,955		41,959		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	7,977,602		7,649,573		7,933,270		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2022		2023		2024		
G.O. 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*

Keith Anderson
Treasurer

2025 Empire Township Budget Hearing

(First Published in the Ellsworth County Independent-Reporter, July 11, 2024)

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General	50,728	5.259	55,354	5.485	55,574	41,959	5.289
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery	36,504						
Totals	87,232	5.259	55,354	5.485	55,574	41,959	5.289
					*Revenue Neutral Rate***		5.289
Less: Transfers	13,843		0		0		
Net Expenditure	73,389		55,354		55,574		
Total Tax Levied	41,955		41,959		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	7,977,602		7,649,573		7,933,270		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2022		2023		2024		
G.O. 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*

Keith Anderson
Treasurer

1t 7/11

2025 Sherman Township Budget Hearing

(First Published in the Ellsworth County Independent-Reporter, July 11, 2024)

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Sherman Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on July 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at Wayne Bohl Residence 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 County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2025 Expenditures and Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2025 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Prior Year Actual 2023		Current Year Estimate 2024		Proposed Budget 2025		
Fund	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2024 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	32,439	12.642	35,380	12.472	34,194	28,074	12.566
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery	8,503						
Totals	40,942	12.642	35,380	12.472	34,194	28,074	12.566
					*Revenue Neutral Rate***		12.567
Less: Transfers	8,292		0		0		
Net Expenditure	32,650		35,380		34,194		
Total Tax Levied	28,074		28,074		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	2,220,716		2,250,970		2,234,037		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2022		2023		2024		
G.O. 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*

Janell Murphy
Treasurer

1t 7/11

City of Ellsworth Bell Street Notice if Hearing

(First Published in the Ellsworth County Independent Reporter, July 11, 2024)

City of Ellsworth Public Hearing to Vacate
NOTICE OF HEARING
TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are hereby notified that a Petition to Vacate portions of Bell Street has been filed with the Ellsworth City Clerk requesting the vacation of the following described streets be vacated as to each of its status as a right-of-way, but with the city retaining its utility easements upon each of these streets, with the streets to be vacated in this manner being as follows:
20' R/W VACATION 1
A portion of Bell Street Right of Way adjacent to Blocks 3 and 4, Butler's Addition to the City of Ellsworth, Ellsworth County, Kansas, described as follows:
Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot 6 of said Block 3; thence on a NAD 83 Kansas North Zone bearing of North 00°21'45" East on the East line of said Block 3 a distance of 15.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 00°21'45" East parallel with the East line of said Block 3 a distance of 180.65 feet to the Easterly Right of Way Line of K-14 Highway; thence North 37°43'43" East on said Easterly Right of Way Line a distance of 8.24 feet; thence South 00°21'45" West parallel with said East line a distance of 187.21 feet to the point of beginning.
Containing 920 Square Feet and subject to any easements or restrictions of record.
5' UTILITY EASEMENT 2
A portion of Bell Street Right of Way adjacent to Blocks 3 and 4, Butler's Addition to the City of Ellsworth, Ellsworth County, Kansas, described as follows:

Estate of Wayne Schultz

(First Published in the Ellsworth County Independent Reporter, July 11, 2024)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ELLSWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate

of Case No. EW-2024-PR-000016

Wayne Schultz, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on June 27, 2024, a Petition For Issuance Of Letters Of Administration Under The Kansas Simplified Estates Act was filed in this Court by Janice Prochaska, the cousin of Wayne Schultz, deceased. You are

County Clerk's Budget Information for 2025 Budget Year
Ellsworth County values
EMPIRE TWP-TOTAL

1. Estimated Assesed Valuation as of TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024:

	Assessed Value	New Improvements	Territory Added	Changed Use
Real Estate	4,979,040	6,338	0	29,403
State Assessed	2,409,381	0		
Severed Minerals	0			
Personal Property	482,027			
Oil & Gas	62,822			
Total Value	7,933,270	6,338		

2. Personal Property: 544,849
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2025 budget, line 5a)

Revenue Neutral Rate 5.289

3. Actual tax rates levied for the 2024 budget: (2023 levies)

SAC	Fund	Rate	RN Rate
135	EMPIRE TWP-GENERAL	5.485	5.289
	Total Levied	5.485	

4. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 2023 abstract: 7,649,573

5. 2023 Personal Property: 491,222
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2025 budget, line 5b)

6. Gross Earnings (Intangible) Tax Estimate: .00

7. Neighborhood Revitalization District:
Valuation Subject to Rebates 0

8. 2022 average tax delinquency percentage: .147184

9. 2022 delinquency percentage for special assessments: .000000

Date Provided: _____ Provided by: _____
Ellsworth County Clerk