CERTIFICATE

2026

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 2026; and (3) the
Amount(s) of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax are within statutory limitations for the 2026 Budget.

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Fund	K.S.A.				
General	79-1962		53,645	41,965	5.270
Debt Service	10-113				
Library	12-1220				
Road	68-518c				
Special Machinery					
Totals		xxxxxx	53,645	41,965	5.270
Budget Hearing Notice					County Clerk's Use Only
Combined Rate and Budget Hearing Notice					7,962,455
Rate Hearing Notice					Nov 1, 2025 Total Assessed Valuation
Neighborhood Revitalization Rate					

Revenue Neutral Rate	5.273
Does budget require a resolution to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate?	NO

Assisted by:

Address:

Email:

Attest: July 28, 2025

County Clerk

Governing Body

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

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

Budgeted Funds for 2025	Tax Levy Amount in 2025 Budget	Allocation for Year 2026				
		MVT	RVT	16/20M Veh	Comm Veh	Watercraft
General	41,959	1,567	60	103	0	0
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	1,567	60	103	0	0

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 1,567

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 60

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 103

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 0

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 0

MVT Factor 0.03736

RVT Factor 0.00143

16/20M Factor 0.00246

Comm Veh Factor 0.00000

Watercraft Factor 0.00000

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Empire Township

Schedule of Transfers

Expenditure Fund Transferred From:	Receipt Fund Transferred To:	Actual Amount for 2024	Current Amount for 2025	Proposed Amount for 2026	Transfers Authorized by Statute
General	Special Machinery	12,098	-	-	KSA 80-1406b
General	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
Road	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
	Total	12,098	0	0	
	Adjustments*				
	Adjusted Totals	12,098	0	0	

*Note: Adjustments are required only if the transfer is being made in 2025 and/or 2026 from a non-budgeted fund.

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STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Type of Debt	Date of Issue	Interest Rate %	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding Jan 1, 2025	Date Due		Amount Due 2025		Amount Due 2026	
					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, 2025	Payments Due 2025	Payments Due 2026
				Total	**0**	**0**	**0**

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

Empire Township 2026

FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY

Adopted Budget **General**	Prior Year Actual for 2024	Current Year Estimate for 2025	Proposed Budget Year for 2026
Unencumbered Cash Balance January 1	33	41	18
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	42,356	41,959	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax	668		
Motor Vehicle Tax	1,281	1,213	1,567
Recreational Vehicle Tax	61	57	60
16/20 M Vehicle Tax	122	47	103
Commercial Vehicle Tax			0
Watercraft Tax		469	0
Gross Earnings (Intangibles) Tax			0
Special Highway	2,657	2,586	2,577
Government Lease	6,508	9,000	7,354
Interest on Idle Funds			
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate			0
Miscellaneous	87		
Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Rec			
Total Receipts	**53,739**	**55,331**	**11,662**
Resources Available:	**53,771**	**55,372**	**11,680**
Expenditures:			
Officers Pay	5,400	5,400	4,881
Salaries & Wages	11,078	9,777	9,777
Employee Benefits	1,738	1,588	1,588
Road Materials	11,298	642	12,509
Equipment		277	
Road Maintenance	7,604	33,591	20,500
Insurance	4,294	3,482	3,800
Weed	221	597	590
Cash Reserve (2026 column)			
Transfer to Spec. Mach.(No Levy)	12,098		
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	**53,730**	**55,354**	**53,645**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	41	18	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2024/2025/2026 Budget Authority Amount:	55,354	55,574	53,645
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	53,645
		Tax Required	41,965
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	41,965

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FUND PAGE FOR FUNDS WITH A TAX LEVY

Adopted Budget **Road**	Prior Year Actual for 2024	Current Year Estimate for 2025	Proposed Budget Year for 2026
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 (2026 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
2024/2025/2026 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 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	0

Special Machinery

K.S.A. 68-141g	**2024 Actual Year**
Unencumbered Cash Balance, Jan 1	105,194
Transfers from:	
Road Fund	0
General Fund(No Levy)	12,098
General Fund(Gen has Levy)	0
Interest on Idle Funds	799
Other	
Resources Available:	118,091
Total Expenditures	
Unencumbered Cash Balance, Dec 31	**118,091**

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Empire Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on July 28, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. at Monte Hudson 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 Ellsworth County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Prior Year Actual 2024		Current Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026		
Fund	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	53,730	5.485	55,354	5.288	53,645	41,965	5.273
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery							
Totals	53,730	5.485	55,354	5.288	53,645	41,965	5.273
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*5.273*
Less: Transfers	12,098		0		0		
Net Expenditure	41,632		55,354		53,645		
Total Tax Levied	41,959		41,959		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	7,649,573		7,934,563		7,957,902		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2023		2024		2025		
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

	2024	2025
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0
	0	0

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nty Independent/Reporter, July 10, 2025)

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ED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Trivoli Township
Ellsworth County
30 am at Fonda Rush Residence for the purpose of hearing and
posed use of all funds, the amount of ad valorem tax and the revenue neutral rate.
t Ellsworth County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

nd Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits
ate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Current Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
54	24,894	11.775	37,112	25,986	14.208
4	24,894	11.775	37,112	25,986	14.208
				*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*12.208*
	0		0		
	24,894		37,112		
	22,328		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
	1,896,166		1,828,968		

2024	2025
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

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2026 Clear Creek Township Budget Hearing

(First Published in the Ellsworth County Independent/Reporter, July 10, 2025)

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Clear Creek Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on July 30, 2025 at 7:00 pm at Sarah Goss 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 Ellsworth County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Prior Year Actual 2024		Current Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026		
Fund	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	4,055	0.628	8,500	0.672	10,340	7,645	1.717
Debt Service				1.289			
Library				9.806			
Road	35,845	10.586	62,530		62,532	40,512	9.101
Fire	3,100	0.674	3,100		3,105	2,940	0.660
Special Machinery							
Totals	43,000	11.888	74,130	11.767	75,977	51,097	11.478
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*11.478*
Less: Transfers	8,800		0		0		
Net Expenditure	34,200		74,130		75,977		
Total Tax Levied	51,095		51,093		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	4,297,966		4,342,086		4,451,238		

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2023	2024	2025
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*

Lynn Brock
Treasurer

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Township Budget Hearing

nty Independent/Reporter, July 10, 2025)

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ICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Mulberry Township
Ellsworth County
m at Gene Dettmann Residence for the purpose of hearing and
g to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax.
Ellsworth County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

nd Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits
ate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Current Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
11	49,809	15.479	58,081	47,344	15.506
1	49,809	15.479	58,081	47,344	15.506
				*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*15.506*
	0		0		
	49,809		58,081		
	47,338		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
	3,058,217		3,053,231		

2024	2025
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

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2026 Empire Township Budget Hearing

(First Published in the Ellsworth County Independent/Reporter, July 10, 2025)

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

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Ellsworth County
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BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

	Prior Year Actual 2024		Current Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026		
Fund	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	53,730	5.485	55,354	5.288	53,645	41,965	5.273
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery							
Totals	53,730	5.485	55,354	5.288	53,645	41,965	5.273
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*5.273*
Less: Transfers	12,098		0		0		
Net Expenditure	41,632		55,354		53,645		
Total Tax Levied	41,959		41,959		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	7,649,573		7,934,563		7,957,902		

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2023	2024	2025
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

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County Clerk's Budget Information for 2026 Budget Year
Ellsworth County values
EMPIRE TWP-TOTAL

1. Estimated Assesed Valuation as of TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2025:

	Assessed Value	New Improvements	Territory Added	Changed Use
Real Estate	5,155,330	23,222	0	23,476
State Assessed	2,294,293	0		
Severed Minerals	0			
Personal Property	480,246			
Oil & Gas	28,033			
Total Value	7,957,902	23,222		

2. Personal Property: 508,279
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2026 budget, line 5a)

Revenue Neutral Rate 5.273

3. Actual tax rates levied for the 2025 budget: (2024 levies)

SAC	Fund	Rate	RN Rate
135	EMPIRE TWP-GENERAL	5.288	5.273
	Total Levied	5.288	

4. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 2024 abstract: 7,934,563

5. 2024 Personal Property: 546,142
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2026 budget, line 5b)

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

7. Neighborhood Revitalization District:
Valuation Subject to Rebates 0

8. 2023 average tax delinquency percentage: .612689

9. 2023 delinquency percentage for special assessments: .000000

Date Provided: 6/20/25 Provided by: Shelly D. Upson
Ellsworth County Clerk

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