State of Kansas
Special District

2024

CERTIFICATE

To the Clerk of Ford County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, officers of
Southwest Kansas Library System
certify that: (1) the hearing mentioned in the attached publication was held;
(2) after the Budget Hearing this budget was duly approved and adopted
as the maximum expenditures for the various funds for the year ; and
(3) the Amount(s) of 2023 Ad Valorem Tax are within statutory limitations for the Budget.

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Fund	**K.S.A.**				
General	75-2551	5	1,367,450	621,727	1.323
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	6	180,000	59,573	.127
Totals		xxxxxx	1,547,450	681,300	1.450
Budget Hearing Notice				County Clerk's Use Only	
Combined Rate and Budget Hearing Notice		7		Nov 1, 2023 Total Assessed Valuation	469,860,766
RNR Hearing Notice					
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Revenue Neutral Rate	1.430

County Clerk's Use Only - November 1, 2023 - Final Assessed Valuation			
County	Final Valuation	County	Final Valuation
Ford County	135,242,669	0	135,242,669
Clark	37,390,569	0	37,390,569
Edwards	47,761,859	0	47,761,859
Hodgeman	36,497,273	0	36,497,273
Meade	66,372,561	0	66,372,561
Ness	74,524,006	0	74,524,006
Seward	72,071,829	0	72,071,829
0		0	
		Total of all counties:	469,860,766

Assisted by:
Kennedy McKee & Company LLP

Address:
PO Box 1477
1100 W Frontview
Dodge City, KS 67801
Email:
pfriess@kmc-cpa.com

Attest: 9. 18 , 2023

County Clerk

Governing Body

CPA Summary
No assurance is provided.

Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent

THE GOVERNING BODY OF The Southwest Kansas Library System HEREBY NOTIFIES THE Ford COUNTY CLERK OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

X Yes, we intend to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

Our proposed mill levy rate is: 1.450

Our proposed ad valorem tax (dollar amount) is $681,300

The date of our hearing is: Friday, September 8, 2023

The time of our hearing is: 10:00 am

The location of our hearing is: Dodge City Public Library Meeting Room
1001 2nd Ave (lower level)
Dodge City, KS 67801

_____ 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 _____, 2023.

(Seal)

Sandy Ritchhart
Clerk or Officer of Governing Body

NOTE: Notice required to be sent to County Clerk on or before 5 p.m. on July 20, otherwise Revenue Neutral Rate cannot be exceeded. Signed notice may be scanned and sent electronically.

Resolution No. 2023-1A

A RESOLUTION OF SOUTHWEST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE IN ITS PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE TAX YEAR OF 2023;

WHEREAS, the Southwest Kansas Library System is statutorily required to provide notice and hearing prior to exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Kansas Library System provided notice of the hearing on the Revenue Neutral Rate on September 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for tax year 2024 for Southwest Kansas Library System was calculated as 1.450 mills by the County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Southwest Kansas Library System for tax year 2024 will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Kansas Library System held a hearing on September 8, 2023 allowing all interested taxpayers an opportunity to be heard at the hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Kansas Library System having heard testimony, have determined that it is in the best interests of the Southwest Kansas Library System to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHWEST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD:

Southwest Kansas Library System shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 1.450 mills for Tax Year 2024.

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 Southwest Kansas Library System Board.

ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2023

Shelly Huelsman
Lois Moonaw
Janis M Hensl
Laurie Petersilie
Lana Koehn
Donna A. Schmidt
Amy Bruckner
Stacey Strickland
Cassandra N

Patsy Alsich
Audrey Flowers
Jacque Sturrell
Barbara Luck

Attested:

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SOUTHWEST KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD

Roll Call Vote of the Southwest Kansas Library System to Levy a Property Tax Exceeding the RNR
Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on September 8, 2023
Resolution No. 2023-1A

Representative	Library	Roll Call Vote
Cara Vanderree	Ashland City Library	not present
Shelly Huelsman	Bucklin Public Library	yes
Candis Hemel	Cimarron City Library	yes
Charity White	Coldwater-Wilmore Library	not present
Savanah Moomaw	Dighton - Lane County Library	yes
Nancy Vierthaler	Dodge City Public Library	not present
Barbara Luck	Elkhart - Morton County Library	yes - Zoom
Sara McFarland	Gray County Library District	not present
Kelli Humiston	Fowler Public Library	not present
Amy Halling	Hanston City Library	not present
Stacey Strickland	Hugoton - Stevens County Library	yes - Zoom
Jacque Sherrill	Jetmore Public Library	yes - Zoom
Lynn Schaller	Kinsley Public Library	yes - Zoom
Suzan Nelson	Kismet Public Library	not present
Tammy Dickey	Lakin - Kearny County Library	yes - Zoom
Amy Nichol	Leoti - Wichita County Library	not present
Mary Cross	Lewis - Meadowlark Library	not present
Royce Kitts	Liberal Memorial Library	not present
Audrey Flowers	Meade Public Library	yes - Zoom
Stephanie Swonger	Minneola City Library	not present
Shannon McGregor	Montezuma Township Library	not present
Laurie Petersilie	Ness City Public Library	yes
Patsy Alvidrez	Plains Community Library	yes - Zoom

Representative	Library	Roll Call Vote
Sueann Sawyer	Protection Township Library	not present
Marge Tillitson	Ransom Public Library	not present
Suzie Boschman	Satanta - Dudley Township Library	yes - Zoom
Mildred Deardon	Scott County Public Library	yes - Zoom
Jill Hornung-Heeke	Spearville Township Library	not present
Sara Koehn	Sublette - Haskell Township Library	yes
Amy Brucker	Syracuse - Hamilton County Library	yes - Zoom
Ronna Schmidt	Tribune - Greeley County Library	yes
Holly Mathes	Ulysses - Grant County Library	yes - Zoom
Holly Mercer	Dodge City Community College	not present
Casandra Norin	Seward County Community College	yes - Zoom
	Governor Appointees	
Eva Gardner	Clark County Appointee	not present
Joan Weaver	Edwards County Appointee	yes - Zoom
Jacque Barngrover	Ford County Appointee	not present
Theresa Bach	Hodgeman County Appointee	yes - Zoom
Vacant	Meade County Appointee	Vacant
Jean Schlegel	Ness County Appointee	not present
Vacant	Seward County Appointee	Vacant
Others in Attendance:		
Name	**Library**	
Richard Brookman	Southwest Kansas Library System Staff	
Tandy Ritchhart	Southwest Kansas Library System Staff	
Steve Andrews	Southwest Kansas Library System Staff	
Sara Wilson	Southwest Kansas Library System Staff	
Bernardo Gamboa	Southwest Kansas Library System Staff	

Chris Dressler	Southwest Kansas Library System Staff	

County Clerk's Budget Information for 2024 Budget Year

Ford County values
SWKRL

1. Estimated Assesed Valuation as of MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023:

	Assessed Value	New Improvements	Territory Added	Changed Use
Real Estate	78,452,145	704,595	0	611,215
State Assessed	40,003,608	0		
Severed Minerals	0			
Personal Property	6,849,212			
Oil & Gas	9,937,704			
Total Value	135,242,669	704,595		

2. Personal Property: 16,786,916
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2024 budget, line 5a)

Revenue Neutral Rate 1.430

3. Actual tax rates levied for the 2023 budget: (2022 levies)

SAC	Fund	Rate	RN Rate
098	EMPLOYEE Benefits	.284	.280
224	General	1.166	1.150
	Total Levied	1.450	

4. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 2022 abstract: 132,630,569

5. 2022 Personal Property: 15,606,171
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2024 budget, line 5b)

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

7. Neighborhood Revitalization District:
Valuation Subject to Rebates 0

8. 2021 average tax delinquency percentage: 1.080658

9. 2021 delinquency percentage for special assessments: .000000

Date Provided: 6.12.23 Provided by: Dellie Cox
Ford County Clerk

OFFICIAL SEAL Ford County Kansas Dec 27, 2010

Ford County	$	135,242,669.00
Hodgeman County	$	36,497,273.00
Clark County	$	37,390,569.00
Seward County	$	72,071,829.00
Edwards County	$	47,761,859.00
Mead County	$	66,372,561.00
Ness County	$	74,524,006.00
Total	**$**	**469,860,766.00**

Windfarm
$14,403.00

The Appraiser stated there will be some
large BOTA coming in that will impact the budges. I have no numbers yet.

2022
673,440.34

2022 469,860,766 x .001430 = 671,900.96

REGIONAL LIBRARY
OFFICE MANAGER
100 MILITARY PLAZA
SUITE 210
DODGE CITY KS 67801

Local ad valorem tax reduction fund (LAVTR) K.S.A. 79-2960	
Watercraft	
Local alcoholic liquor fund K.S.A. 79-41a04	
Motor vehicle tax K.S.A. 79-5111	10,365.48
Recreation vehicle tax K.S.A. 79-5123	160.82
16/20M vehicle tax K.S.A. 79-5111	953.85
Commercial Vehicle Tax	652.18
Other (Specify)	

5/1/2023 Provided by: KOURTNEY SOLTERO
County Treasurer

FORD COUNTY
Name of County

Affidavit of Publication

State of Kansas, County of Meade, ss: Clint D Kuhns, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath says that he is the principal clerk – bookkeeper of Meade County News, a weekly newspaper printed and published at Meade, KS; that said newspaper has the following qualifications: a) it has been published at least fifty (50) times a year and has so published at least five (5) years prior to the first publication of the attached notice; (b) it is entered at the post office as periodical mail matter; c) it has a general paid circulation on a weekly basis in said county and it is not a trade, religious or fraternal publication; and (d) it is published in Meade County, Kansas; and that the attached legal notice being a copy of Legal Notice as per clipping attached, was published in the regular and entire weekly edition of said newspaper and not any supplement thereof for 1 consecutive week(s), the first publication being on the 10th of August, 2023, and the last publication being on the 10th day of August, 2023.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of August, 2023.

DENICE D. KUHNS
Notary Public - State of Kansas
My Appt. Expires

My Appointment Expires: 7/16/27

Publication Fee: $72.00

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

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Ford County

will meet on September 8, 2023 at 10:00 AM at Dodge City Public Library Meeting Room for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, the amount of tax to be levied and the revenue neutral rate Detailed budget information is available at 100 Military Plaza, Suite 210, Dodge City, KS and will be available at this hearing.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Ford County (home county) Clark, Edwards, Hodgeman, Meade, Ness
Seward

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General	747,263	1.173	957,662	1.166	1,367,450	621,727	1.3
Employee Benefits	98,996	0.277	130,326	0.284	180,000	59,573	0.1
Totals	846,259	1.450	1,087,988	1.450	1,547,450	681,300	1.4
							*Revenue Neutral Rate ** 1.4*
Less: Transfers	-		-		-		
Net Expenditures	846,259		1,087,988		1,547,450		
Total Tax Levied	606,513		673,332		xxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation	418,461,450		463,448,009		469,860,766		

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1,	2021	2022	2023
G.O. Bonds	-	-	-
Revenue Bonds	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
Lease Pur. Princ.	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

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

Richard Brookman
Director

Proof of Publication

State of Kansas,
County of Edwards, ss:

Faith Brokaw

of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath states that he/she is the editor of **THE EDWARDS COUNTY SENTINEL.**

THAT said newspaper has been published at least weekly 50 times a year and has been so published for at least five years prior to the first publication of the attached notice.

THAT said newspaper was entered as second class matter at the post office of its publication;

THAT said newspaper has a general paid circulation on a daily, weekly, monthly, or yearly basis in EDWARDS County, Kansas and is NOT a trade, religious or fraternal publication and has been printed and published in EDWARDS County, Kansas.

THE ATTACHED was published on the following dates in a regular issue of said newspaper:

1st Publication was made on the 9 day of Aug, 20 23
2nd Publication was made on the ____ day of ____, 20 ____
3rd Publication was made on the ____ day of ____, 20 ____
4th Publication was made on the ____ day of ____, 20 ____
5th Publication was made on the ____ day of ____, 20 ____
6th Publication was made on the ____ day of ____, 20 ____

Publication fee $ 82.50
Affidavit, Notary's Fees $ ____
Additional Copies ____ @ ____ $ ____
Total Publication Fee $ ____

Faith Brokaw
(Signed)

Witness my hand this ____ day of ____, 20 ____

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 1st day of September, 20 23.

Stephanie J. Brake
(Notary Public)

My commission expires April 16, 2025

NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF KANSAS
STEPHANIE J. BRAKE
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF KANSAS
My App. Exp. 4-16-25

Legals

(First published in the Edwards County Sentinel on August 9

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Revenue Bonds	-	-	
Other	-	-	
Lease Pur. Princ.	-	-	
Total	-	-	

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

Richard Brookman
Director

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County of Hodgeman, ss:

_____

of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath states that he/she is the editor of **THE JETMORE REPUBLICAN.**

THAT said newspaper has been published at least weekly 50 times a year and has been so published for at least five years prior to the first publication of the attached notice.

THAT said newspaper was entered as second class matter at the post office of its publication;

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Publication fee $ 150.00
Affidavit, Notary's Fees $ _____
Additional Copies _____ @ _____ $ _____
Total Publication Fee $ _____

(Signed)

Witness my hand this 10 day of August, 20 23

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this _____

day of _____, 20 _____.

Kelly C Anderson
(Notary Public)

My commission expires 2-7-2026

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DODGE CITY DAILY GLOBE

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The State of Kansas
S.S
County of Ford

I, Lori Sibley, being of lawful age, make oath and say that:
I am Newspaper Operations Manager for Cherry Road Media in the state of Kansas.

Dodge City Daily Globe is a publication that is a "legal newspaper" as that phrase is defined for the City of Dodge City, for the County of Ford, in the State of Kansas. This affidavit is page 1 of 2 with the full text of the sworn-to notice set forth on the pages that follow, and the attachment hereto contains the correct copy of what was published in said legal newspaper in consecutive issues on the following dates.

PUBLICATION DATES:
8 Aug 2023

Notice ID: iR1vOE0Afi3qn3SXNLqR
Publisher ID: 1342590
Notice Name: SKLS Ford County Budget Hearing

PUBLICATION FEE: $108.90

Lori Sibley

Lori Sibley, Newspaper Operations Manager, Cherry Road Media

VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS
COUNTY OF FORD

Signed or attested before me on this

9 day of August, A.D. 2023

Rhonda Zinn

Rhonda, Zinn / Notary Public

STATE OF KANSAS NOTARY PUBLIC
RHONDA ZINN
My Appointment Expires
June 2, 2026

My Commission Expires: June 6, 2026

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION: ---Ness County News

STATE OF KANSAS, COUNTY OF NESS, ss:

First published in the Ness County News Thursday, August 10, 2023. -1t

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Richard Brookman
Director

Filed this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

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Clerk of the District Court.

Attached Proof Of Publication approved this _____ day of _____, 20_____

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Judge Twenty-fourth Judicial District.

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF KANSAS, SEWARD COUNTY, ss:

Leslie Bales, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That _he is the publisher - principal clerk - of

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That the attached notice is a true copy thereof and was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper for one time, the publication thereof being made as aforesaid on the 16 day of August, 2023

Leslie Bales

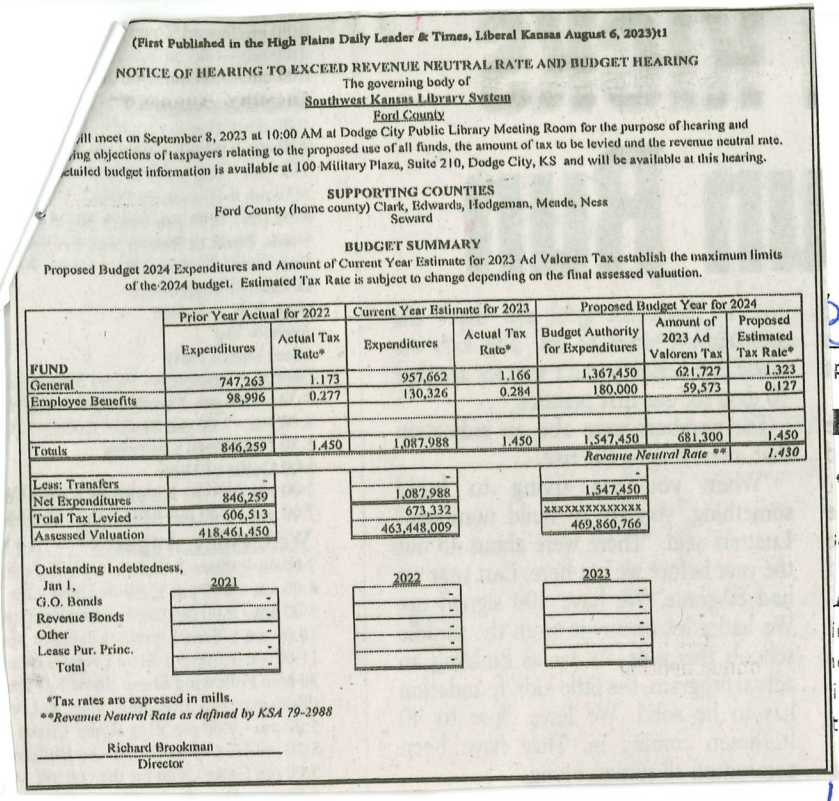
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Leslie Bales
Notary Public

My Commission Expires, 7-22, 2024

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Ford County

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Leslie Bales
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CERTIFICATION OF 2023 PRELIMINARY VALUES
Meade County --> Ford County

06/07/2023
11:51 AM

I, JANET HALE, County Clerk of Meade County, do hereby certify the following taxable values for tax year 2023 to Ford County.

District	Base Taxable Value	2022 Billed Ta
SW KS LIBRARY	66,372,561	93,666.84
SW KS LIBRARY-GENERAL		75,321.06
SW KS LIBRARY-EMP BENEFITS		18,345.78

Witness my signature and official seal this 7th day of JUNE, 2023.

Janet Hale

JANET HALE

(seal)

County Clerk's Budget Information for 2024 Budget Year
Meade County values for Ford County
SW KS LIBRARY

Estimated Assesed Valuation as of TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023:

	Assessed Value	New Improvements	Territory Added	Changed Use
Real Estate	13,342,853	36,482	0	35,282
State Assessed	50,325,553	4,555		
Severed Minerals	279,631			
Personal Property	882,470			
Oil & Gas	1,542,054			
Total Value	66,372,561	41,037		

2. Personal Property: 2,424,524
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2024 budget, line 5a)

RNR provided by Ford County

3. Actual tax rates levied for the 2023 budget: (2022 levies)

SAC Fund	Rate	RN Rate
097 SW KS LIBRARY-EMP BENEFITS	.284	.000
135 SW KS LIBRARY-GENERAL	1.166	.000
Total Levied	1.450	

4. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 2022 abstract: 64,597,687

5. 2022 Personal Property: 2,103,841
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2024 budget, line 5b)

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

7. Neighborhood Revitalization District: 85,642
Valuation Subject to Rebates

8. 2021 average tax delinquency percentage: .120063

9. 2021 delinquency percentage for special assessments: .000000

Date Provided: 6/7/23 Provided by: Janet Vale
Meade County Clerk

2022 value
64,597,687 x 1.450 = 93,667.65

County Clerk's Budget Information for the 2024 Budget

SWKS Library
Name of Municipality

1. Valuation Information as of June 15, 2023:

	Estimated Assessed Valuation	Territory Added	Property with changed use
Real Estate	12,988,709		
Personal Property	517,204		
Oil & Gas	5,128,358		
Severed Minerals	0		
State Assessed	18,756,298		
* **Total**	37,390,569		
New Improvements	159,747		

2. Personal Property for July 1, 2023 — 5,645,562

3. **Revenue Neutral Rate** — This will be calculated by the home county

4. Actual Tax Rates Levied for the 2023 Budget:

Fund	Rate	Amount Levy
General	1.166	45,031.24
Employee Benefits	0.284	10,968.14
Total	1.450	55,999.38

5. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 1, 2022 Abstract — 38,625,794 ** (** Clark Co Value Only)

6. Personal Property for Nov. 1, 2022 — 5,792,628
(use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2024 Budget, Line 5b)

7. Gross Earning (Intangible) Tax Estimate — NA

8. Neighborhood Revitalization District:
Valuation Subject to Rebates — Do not participate

9. Tax Increment Financing (TIF):
TIF Total Assessed Valuation
TIF Base Year Assessed Valuation

10. Watercraft tax estimate — Treasurer gives this

6/6/2023
Date

Provided by: Rebecca Meister

Name of County: CLARK

2022 val 2022 Tax paid

38,625,794 x 1.450 = 56,007.40

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CERTIFICATION OF 2023 PRELIMINARY VALUES
Edwards County --> Ford County

06/06/2023
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I, GINA L. SCHUETTE, County Clerk of Edwards County, do hereby certify the following taxable values for tax year 2023 to Ford County.

District	Base Taxable Value	2022 Billed Tax
SWKRL	47,761,859	70,372.85
SW KS LIBRARY GENERAL		56,589.48
SW KS LIBRARY EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		13,783.37

70372.85

Witness my signature and official seal this 6th day of JUNE, 2023.

Gina L. Schuette
GINA L. SCHUETTE

COUNTY CLERK (seal) SEAL EDWARDS COUNTY, KANSAS

2022 value
46,532,880 x 1.450 = 70,372.85

County Clerk's Budget Information for 2024 Budget Year
Edwards County values for Ford County
SWKRL

Estimated Assesed Valuation as of THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023:

	Assessed Value	New Improvements	Territory Added	Changed Use
Real Estate	29,568,368	126,079	0	53,910
State Assessed	14,085,225	0		
Severed Minerals	89,802			
Personal Property	1,419,924			
Oil & Gas	2,598,540			
Total Value	47,761,859	126,079		

2. Personal Property:
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2024 budget, line 5a) 4,018,464

RNR provided by Ford County

3. Actual tax rates levied for the 2023 budget: (2022 levies)

SAC	Fund	Rate	RN Rate
098	SW KS LIBRARY EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	.284	.000
224	SW KS LIBRARY GENERAL	1.166	.000
	Total Levied	1.450	

4. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 2022 abstract: 48,532,860

5. 2022 Personal Property:
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2024 budget, line 5b) 3,523,304

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

7. Neighborhood Revitalization District:
Valuation Subject to Rebates 0

8. 2021 average tax delinquency percentage: .459940

9. 2021 delinquency percentage for special assessments: .000000

Date Provided: 6-9-23 Provided by: Mina K. Schmidt
Edwards County Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF 2023 PRELIMINARY VALUES
HODGEMAN COUNTY --> Ford County

I, Sarah Rains, County Clerk of HODGEMAN COUNTY, do hereby certify the following taxable values for the tax year 2023 to Ford County.

District	Base Taxable Value	2022 Billed Tax
USD 381		
SCHOOL - 381 - GENERAL	422,279	9,031.98
SCHOOL - 381 - CAP OUTLAY	443,209	1,869.24
RECREATION COMM USD 381	443,209	3,734.75
SCHOOL - 381 - BOND & INT	443,209	0.00
SCHOOL - 381 - GEN SUPPLE	443,209	8,246.33
USD 443		
SCHOOL - 443 - GENERAL	44,469	767.78
SCHOOL - 443 - CAP OUTLAY	49,305	343.18
SCHOOL - 443 - BOND & INT	49,305	596.90
SCHOOL - 443 - GEN SUPPLE	49,305	652.32
SCHOOL - 443 - SPEC ASSES	49,305	0.00
SW KANSAS LIBRARY		
SW KS LIBRARY - GENERAL	36,497,273	43,781.80
SW KS LIBRARY - EMPL BENE	36,497,273	10,663.83

54,445.63

Witness my signature and official seal this 6th day of JUNE, 2023.

Sarah Rains

COUNTY CLERK
SEAL
HODGEMAN CO. KANSAS

CERTIFICATION OF 2023 PRELIMINARY VALUES
NESS COUNTY --> Ford County

I, Lori Hertel, Ness County Clerk, County Clerk of NESS COUNTY, do hereby certify the following taxable values for the tax year 2023 to Ford County.

District	Base Taxable Value	2022 Billed Tax
SWKSR Libr		
S.W. KS REG LIB - GENERAL	74,524,006	79,674.96
S.W. KS REG LIB - EMP BEN	74,524,006	19,406.25
		99,081.21

Witness my signature and official seal this 9th day of JUNE, 2023.

Lori Hertel

Lori Hertel, Ness County Clerk

(seal) NESS COUNTY KANSAS SEAL COUNTY CLERK OF

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CERTIFICATION OF 2023 PRELIMINARY VALUES
Seward County --> Ford County

06/05/2023
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I, STACIA D.LONG, County Clerk of Seward County, do hereby certify the following taxable values for tax year 2023 to Ford County.

District	Base Taxable Value	2022 Billed Tax
SW KS LIBRARY SYSTEM	72,071,829	106,112.96
LIBRARY GENERAL		85,329.46
LIBRARY EMPLOYEE BENEFIT		20,783.50

106,112.96

Witness my signature and official seal this 5th day of JUNE, 2023.

Stacia D. Long

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COUNTY CLERK SEAL SEWARD COUNTY, KANSAS

(seal)

Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent

THE GOVERNING BODY OF The Southwest Kansas Library System HEREBY NOTIFIES THE Ford COUNTY CLERK OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

X Yes, we intend to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

Our proposed mill levy rate is: 1.450

Our proposed ad valorem tax (dollar amount) is $681,300

The date of our hearing is: Friday, September 8, 2023

The time of our hearing is: 10:00 am

The location of our hearing is: Dodge City Public Library Meeting Room
1001 2nd Ave (Lower Level)
Dodge City, KS 67801

_____ 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 _____, 2023.

(Seal)

Sandy Reichhard
Clerk or Officer of Governing Body

NOTE: Notice required to be sent to County Clerk on or before 5 p.m. on July 20, otherwise Revenue Neutral Rate cannot be exceeded. Signed notice may be scanned and sent electronically.

State of Kansas
Special District

2024

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Director

FICATION OF 2023 FINAL VALUES 10/09/2023
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	13,339,421	REAL EST
	280,246	SEV MIN
	903,025	PER PROP
	51,013,604	ST ASSD
	1,542,054	OIL/GAS
L SW KS LIBRARY	**67,078,350**	

icial seal this 9th day of OCTOBER, 2023.

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(seal)