State of Kansas
Special District

CERTIFICATE

2026

To the Clerk of Barton County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, officers of
Ellinwood Hospital District

certify that: (1) the hearing mentioned in the attached publication was held;
(2) after the Budget Hearing this budget was duly approved and adopted
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	80-2516	5	1,639,158	1,555,407	45.131
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Totals		xxxxxxxxx	1,639,158	1,555,407	45.131
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County Clerk's Use Only

Nov. 1, 2025 Total Assessed Valuation

Revenue Neutral Rate	29.342
Does budget require a resolution to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate?	**YES**

Assisted by:
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Attest: _____, 2025

County Clerk

_____ _David Gonzales, Chairperson_____
_____ _Aaron Sauer, Vice-Chair_____
_____ _Justin Lear, Secretary/Treasurer__
_____ _Joyce Schulte_____
_____ _Diann O'Neal_____
_____ _____

Governing Body

CPA Summary

Ellinwood Hospital District
Barton County

2026

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

2025 Budgeted Funds	Tax Levy Amount in 2025 Budget	Allocation for Year 2026				
		MVT	RVT	16/20M Veh	Comm Veh	Watercraft
General	1,014,211	69,763	1,431	4,251	2,848	961
Debt Service	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1,014,211	69,763	1,431	4,251	2,848	961

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 69,763

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 1,431

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 4,251

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 2,848

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 961

MVT Factor 0.06879

RVT Factor 0.00141

16/20M Factor 0.00419

Comm Veh Facto 0.00281

Watercraft Facto 0.00095

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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
None					
	Totals	0	0	0	
	Adjustments*				
	Adjusted Totals	0	0	0	

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

Ellinwood Hospital District
Barton County

2026

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
General Obligation:										
None										
Total G.O.				0			0	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds:										
None										
Total Revenue				0			0	0	0	0
Other:										
None										
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, 2025	Payments Due 2025	Payments Due 2026
Hospital Refunding Revenue	12/19/2024	480	3.25	25,000,000	25,000,000	812,520	812,520
Bonds Series 2024-1							
Hospital Refunding Revenue	12/19/2024	480	3.88	3,882,000	3,882,000	150,440	150,440
Bonds Series 2024-2							
			Total	28,882,000	28,882,000	962,960	962,960

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

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 Jan 1	1,247,137	374,078	77
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	857,877	1,014,211	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax	17,380		
Motor Vehicle Tax	67,008	62,597	69,763
Recreational Vehicle Tax	1,285	1,320	1,431
16/20M Vehicle Tax	3,510	3,671	4,251
Commercial Vehicle Tax	4,001	4,414	2,848
Watercraft Tax	929	908	961
In Lieu of Taxes			
Rent	9,046	9,000	9,000
Interest on Idle Funds	629	500	500
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate	-2,584	-3,122	-5,080
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% of Total Receipts			
Total Receipts	**959,081**	**1,093,499**	**83,674**
Resources Available:	**2,206,218**	**1,467,577**	**83,751**
Expenditures:			
Transfer to Hospital	1,819,254	485,060	554,560
Utilities	9,374	9,500	10,000
Maintenance	0	5,000	10,000
Capital Outlay	0	0	100,000
Bond Interest	0	962,940	962,940
Bond Principal	0	0	0
Other	3,512	5,000	1,658
Cash Reserve (2026 column)			
Miscellaneous			
Does misc. exceed 10% Total Expenditure			
Total Expenditures	**1,832,140**	**1,467,500**	**1,639,158**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	374,078	77	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2024/2025/2026 Budget Authority Amount	2,407,796	2,035,000	1,639,158
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	1,639,158
		Tax Required	1,555,407
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	1,555,407

CPA Summary

NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

State of Kansas
2026 Special District

The governing body of
Ellinwood Hospital District
Barton County
will meet on August 27, 2025 at 7:00 PM at Ellinwood District Hospital Education Room for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, the amount of tax to levied and the revenue neutral rate. Detailed budget information is available at Ellinwood District Hospital 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 for 202		Proposed Budget Year for 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	1,832,140	24.976	1,467,500	28.520	1,639,158	1,555,407	45.000
Debt Service							
Totals	1,832,140	24.976	1,467,500	28.520	1,639,158	1,555,407	45.000
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*29.342*
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	1,832,140		1,467,500		1,639,158		
Total Tax Levied	882,715		1,014,211		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation	34,829,469		35,561,382		34,564,601		

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1,	2023	2024	2025
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	0	25,149,487	28,882,000
Total	0	25,149,487	28,882,000

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

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

Ellinwood Hospital District

Ellinwood Hospital District 2026

2026 Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate

Budgeted Funds for 2026	2025 Ad Valorem before Rebate**	2025 Mil Rate before Rebate	Estimate 2026 NR Rebate
General	1,555,407	45.000	5,080
Debt Service			0
			0
			0
			0
			0
TOTAL	1,555,407	45.000	5,080

2025 July 1 Valuation: 34,564,601

Valuation Factor: 34,564.601

Neighborhood Revitalization Subj to Rebate: 112,891

Neighborhood Revitalization factor: 112.891

**This information comes from the 2026 Budget Summary page. See instructions tab #12 for completing the Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate table.

Roll Call Vote

A Roll Call Vote of the Ellinwood Hospital District To Levy a Property Tax Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on August 27, 2025
Resolution No. 2025-0909-01 at Special Board Meeting Held September 9, 2025

Governing Body Member	Yes	No	No Vote
David Gonzales, President	Yes		
Aaron Sauer, Vice President	Yes		
Justin Lear, Treasurer/Secretary	Yes		
Joyce Schulte	Yes		
Diann O'Neal	Yes		
TOTAL	5	0	0

Certified:

Justin Lear, Secretary/Treasurer

Resolution No. 2025-0909-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE ELLINWOOD HOSPITAL DISTRICT, KANSAS TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for the Ellinwood Hospital District was calculated as 29.342 mills by the Barton County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of the Ellinwood Hospital District will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate, due to USDA Loan/Bond requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 27, 2025 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Ellinwood Hospital District, having heard testimony and exhausting all efforts appealing the USDA's position not allowing lower than 45 mills, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE ELLINWOOD HOSPITAL DISTRICT:

The Ellinwood Hospital District shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 45.000 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 9th day of September 2025 and **SIGNED** by the Governing Body.

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF KANSAS

SS.

BARTON COUNTY

Frank W. Mercer being first duly sworn deposes and says: That he is Publisher of

THE ELLINWOOD LEADER

A Weekly Newspaper printed in the State of Kansas, and published in and for general circulation in Barton County, Kansas with a general paid circulation on a weekly basis in Barton County, Kansas, and that said newspaper is not a trade, religious or fraternal publication.

SAID newspaper is a weekly published at least weekly 50 times a year; has been so published continuously and uninterruptedly in said county and state for a period of more than five years prior to the first publication of said notice; and has been admitted at the post office of Ellinwood in said County as second class matter.

THAT the attached notice is a true copy thereof and was published in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper for 1 consecutive ISSUE the first publication thereof being made as aforesaid on the 7 day of Aug, 2025 with subsequent publications being made on the following dates:

Aug 14, 2025 _____, 20____

_____, 20____ _____, 20____

_____, 20____ _____, 20____

T W. M

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 14 day of Aug, 2025

Patty Smith
Notary Public

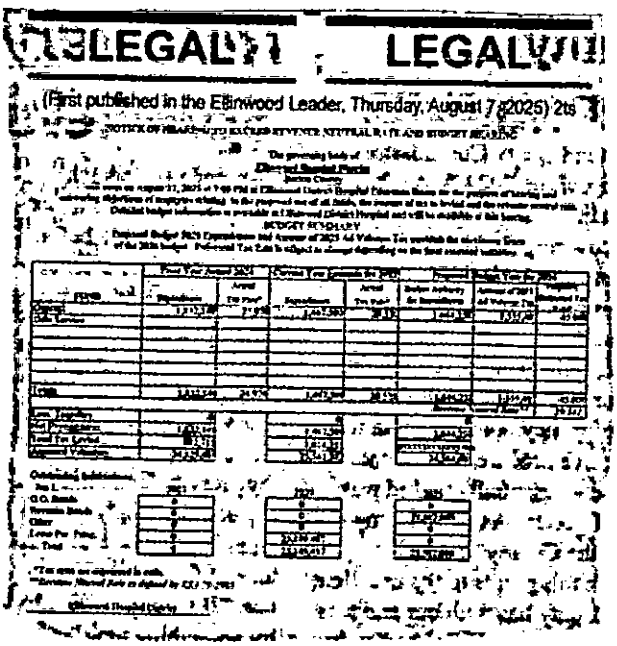
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PATTY SMITH
My Appt Expires 1-20-28

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Ellinwood Hospital District

c/o Secretary/Treasurer, Justin Lear
408 E 6th St / PO Box 33
Ellinwood, KS 67526

September 11, 2025

Bev Schmeidler
Barton County Clerk/Election Officer
1400 Main Street - Suite 202
Great Bend, Kansas 67530

Re: Completed Budget

Dear Miss Schmeidler,

Please see the enclosed items regarding the 2026 Budget as final and approved by our District Board. Reluctantly though, as the USDA RD would not honor our request for a lower amount, and we exhausted all opportunities to battle that this year. Including contacts by our legislators in DC with no beneficial results. It's our belief and hope that this is only for 2026. The amount is not needed nor wanted by the district, yet we will comply with the USDA RD's position for this term.

If you have any questions or need anything additional at this time, please feel free to contact me at jlear@ipa.net or 620-617-8003 (cell) / 620-566-1155 (work direct).

Sincerely,

Justin Lear
Secretary/Treasurer

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