CERTIFICATE 2026

To the Clerk of Ellsworth County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, officers of
Ash Creek 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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Statement of Indebt. & Lease/Purchase		4			
Fund	K.S.A.				
General	79-1962		33,516	28,003	9.312
Debt Service	10-113				
Library	12-1220				
Road	68-518c				
Special Machinery					
Totals		xxxxxx	33,516	28,003	9.312
Budget Hearing Notice					County Clerk's Use Only
Combined Rate and Budget Hearing Notice					3007,695
Rate Hearing Notice					Nov 1, 2025 Total Assessed Valuation
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate					

Revenue Neutral Rate	7.313
Does budget require a resolution to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate?	**YES**

Assisted by:

Address:

Email:

Attest: August 26, 2025
Shelly D. Uppat
County Clerk

Kendall W Rathbun
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	21,992	1,010	10	113	364	9
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	21,992	1,010	10	113	364	9

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 1,010

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 10

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 113

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 364

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 9

MVT Factor 0.04594

RVT Factor 0.00045

16/20M Factor 0.00513

Comm Veh Factor 0.01655

Watercraft Factor 0.00041

2026

Ash Creek 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	3,952	-	-	KSA 80-1406b
General	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
Road	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
	Total	3,952	0	0	
	Adjustments*				
	Adjusted Totals	3,952	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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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
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.

Ash Creek 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	0	1,100	1,100
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	21,958	21,992	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax			
Motor Vehicle Tax	943	705	1,010
Recreational Vehicle Tax	10	11	10
16/20 M Vehicle Tax	115	98	113
Commercial Vehicle Tax	358	377	364
Watercraft Tax		8	9
Gross Earnings (Intangibles) Tax			0
Special Highway	2,154	2,084	2,090
Government Lease	1,113	520	817
Interest on Idle Funds			
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate			0
Miscellaneous			
Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Rec			
Total Receipts	**26,651**	**25,795**	**4,413**
Resources Available:	**26,651**	**26,895**	**5,513**
Expenditures:			
Officers Pay	1,200	1,000	1,200
Salaries & Wages	4,752	2,000	4,800
Employee Benefits	1,236	527	1,236
Road Materials	7,327	10,000	10,000
Equipment			
Road Maintenance	4,576	7,668	11,680
Insurance	2,508	2,500	2,500
Weed		2,100	2,100
Cash Reserve (2026 column)			
Transfer to Spec. Mach.(No Levy)	3,952		
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	**25,551**	**25,795**	**33,516**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	1,100	1,100	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2024/2025/2026 Budget Authority Amount:	25,551	25,795	33,516
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	33,516
		Tax Required	28,003
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	28,003

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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	51,459
Transfers from:	
Road Fund	0
General Fund(No Levy)	3,952
General Fund(Gen has Levy)	0
Interest on Idle Funds	48
Other	
Resources Available:	55,459
Total Expenditures	
Unencumbered Cash Balance, Dec 31	**55,459**

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Ash Creek Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on August 26, 2025 at 7:00 pm at Kendall Rathbun's Residence for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, the amount of ad valorem tax and the revenue neutral rate. 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	25,551	6.203	25,795	6.441	33,516	28,003	9.313
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery							
Totals	25,551	6.203	25,795	6.441	33,516	28,003	9.313
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*7.313*
Less: Transfers	3,952		0		0		
Net Expenditure	21,599		25,795		33,516		
Total Tax Levied	21,993		21,992		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	3,545,350		3,414,130		3,006,936		
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*

Kendall Rathbun
Treasurer

Fire Budget Hearing

Independent/Reporter, July 17, 2025)

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proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to levied.
County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.
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ject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

ent Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget Year for 2026		
penditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
2,529	0.778	2,534	2,370	0.778
2,529	0.778	2,534	2,370	0.778
			Revenue Neutral Rate**	0.778
0		0		
2,529		2,534		
2,369		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
3,043,649		3,045,040		

2024	2025
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
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2026 Ellsworth Fire #2

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

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The governing body of
Ellsworth Fire #2
Ellsworth County

will meet on August 11, 2025 at 8:00 pm at David Kemple Residence for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to levied.
Detailed budget information is available at Ellsworth County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

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	Prior Year Actual 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		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	12,500	0.892	12,625	0.907	12,574	11,802	0.931
Totals	12,500	0.892	12,625	0.907	12,574	11,802	0.931
					Revenue Neutral Rate**		0.931
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	12,500		12,625		12,574		
Total Tax Levied	11,789		11,789		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation	13,224,389		13,000,542		12,670,843		

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	0	0
Total	0	0	0

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.
**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

David Kemple
Treasurer

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Holyrood Fire Station for the purpose of hearing and
of all funds, the amount of ad valorem tax and the revenue neutral rate.
County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.
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ject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

rrent Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026		
penditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
77,348	22.836	79,806	73,995	27.462
77,348	22.836	79,806	73,995	27.462
			Revenue Neutral Rate**	26.462
0		0		
77,348		79,806		
71,296		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
3,122,214		2,694,436		

2024	2025
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

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Fund	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	25,551	6.203	23,793	6.441	33,516	28,003	9.313
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery							
Totals	25,551	6.203	23,793	6.441	33,516	28,003	9.313
					Revenue Neutral Rate**		7.313
Less: Transfers	3,952		0		0		
Net Expenditure	21,599		23,793		33,516		
Total Tax Levied	21,993		21,592		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	3,545,350		3,414,130		3,006,938		

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

Kendall Rathbun
Treasurer

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Roll Call Vote

A Roll Call Vote of the Ash Creek To Levy a Property Tax Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate
Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on August 26, 2025
Resolution No. 2025R01

Governing Body Member	Yes	No	No Vote /Absent
David Koralek, Jr.	X		
Kendall Rathbun	X		
Bill Parsons	X		
TOTAL			

Certified: Shelly D. Upstot



Resolution No. 2025R01

A RESOLUTION OF THE ASH CREEK TOWNSHIP, KANSAS TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for the Ash Creek Township was calculated as 7.313 mills by the Ellsworth County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of the Ash Creek Township will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 26, 2025 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Ash Creek 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 ASH CREEK TOWNSHIP:

The Ash Creek Township shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 9.313 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 26th day of August 26, 2025 and SIGNED by the Governing Body.

Bill Parsons

Dennis Lander

Terrence W Rathbun

Attested:

Shelly D. Upstat

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

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

	Assessed Value	New Improvements	Territory Added	Changed Use
Real Estate	1,660,906	6,905	0	16,571
State Assessed	1,301,572	0		
Severed Minerals	0			
Personal Property	35,163			
Oil & Gas	9,295			
Total Value	3,006,936	6,905		

2. Personal Property: 44,458
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2026 budget, line 5a)

Revenue Neutral Rate 7.313

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

SAC	Fund	Rate	RN Rate
135	ASH CREEK TWP-GENERAL	6.441	7.313
	Total Levied	6.441	

4. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 2024 abstract: 3,414,130

5. 2024 Personal Property: 39,654
(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: .010672

9. 2023 delinquency percentage for special assessments: .000000

Date Provided: 6/20/25 Provided by: Shelley D. Upat
Ellsworth County Clerk

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