CERTIFICATE 2026

To the Clerk of Ellsworth County, State of Kansas
We, the undersigned, officers of
Columbia 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 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		43,345	38,458	16.483
Debt Service	10-113				
Library	12-1220				
Road	68-518c				
Special Machinery					
Totals		xxxxxx	43,345	38,458	16.483
Budget Hearing Notice					County Clerk's Use Only
Combined Rate and Budget Hearing Notice					2,333,176
Rate Hearing Notice					Nov 1, 2025 Total Assessed Valuation
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate					

Revenue Neutral Rate	16.483
Does budget require a resolution to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate?	NO

Assisted by:

Address:

Email:

Amanda Weinhold Trustee
Lynda Vague Treasurer
Terry W. Vague Clerk

Attest: August 13, 2025
Shelley Upstat
County Clerk

Governing Body

Special Road Election held
First levy in .

for Mills for years.

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Columbia Township
Ellsworth County

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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	38,459	1,489	21	505	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	38,459	1,489	21	505	0	0

County Treas Motor Vehicle Estimate 1,489

County Treas Recreational Vehicle Estimate 21

County Treas 16/20M Vehicle Estimate 505

County Treas Commercial Vehicle Tax Estimate 0

County Treas Watercraft Tax Estimate 0

MVT Factor 0.03872

RVT Factor 0.00055

16/20M Factor 0.01312

Comm Veh Factor 0.00000

Watercraft Factor 0.00000

2026

Columbia 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	973	-	-	KSA 80-1406b
General	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
Road	Special Machinery	-	-	-	
	Total	973	0	0	
	Adjustments*				
	Adjusted Totals	973	0	0	

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

Columbia Township
Ellsworth 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
G.O. Bonds										
Grader	7/19/2024	3.49	6,691	7,398	8/4	8/4	836	3,227	115	3,227
Total G.O. Bonds				7,398			836	3,227	115	3,227
Other										
Total Other				0			0	0	0	0
Total Indebtedness				**7,398**			**836**	**3,227**	**115**	**3,227**

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.

Columbia 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	0
Receipts:			
Ad Valorem Tax	38,375	38,459	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Delinquent Tax	322		
Motor Vehicle Tax	1,389	1,489	1,489
Recreational Vehicle Tax	21	21	21
16/20 M Vehicle Tax	478	445	505
Commercial Vehicle Tax			0
Watercraft Tax			0
Gross Earnings (Intangibles) Tax			0
Special Highway	2,872	2,779	2,872
Interest on Idle Funds			
Neighborhood Revitalization Rebate			0
Miscellaneous			
Does miscellaneous exceed 10% of Total Rec			
Total Receipts	**43,457**	**43,193**	**4,887**
Resources Available:	**43,457**	**43,193**	**4,887**
Expenditures:			
Officers Pay	1,727	1,828	1,700
Salaries & Wages	8,719	7,500	8,689
Employee Benefits	1,679	2,185	1,550
Road Materials	12,325	8,214	12,325
Equipment			
Road Maintenance	6,996	18,395	14,481
Insurance	4,348	4,771	4,300
Fire	4,751		
Noxious Weed	1,940	300	300
Cash Reserve (2026 column)			
Transfer to Spec. Mach.(No Levy)	973		
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	**43,457**	**43,193**	**43,345**
Unencumbered Cash Balance Dec 31	0	0	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
2024/2025/2026 Budget Authority Amount:	43,249	43,193	43,345
		Non-Appropriated Balance	
See Tab A		Total Expenditure/Non-Appr Balance	43,345
		Tax Required	38,458
	Delinquent Comp Rate:	0.0%	0
		Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	38,458

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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	49,471
Transfers from:	
Road Fund	0
General Fund(No Levy)	973
General Fund(Gen has Levy)	0
Interest on Idle Funds	
Other	
Resources Available:	50,443
Total Expenditures	
Unencumbered Cash Balance, Dec 31	**50,443**

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Columbia Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on August 13, 2025 at 7:00 pm at Amanda Weinhold 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	43,457	16.191	43,193	17.086	43,345	38,458	16.483
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Special Machinery							
Totals	43,457	16.191	43,193	17.086	43,345	38,458	16.483
						*Revenue Neutral Rate***	*16.483*
Less: Transfers	973		0		0		
Net Expenditure	42,484		43,193		43,345		
Total Tax Levied	38,459		38,459		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	2,375,290		2,250,868		2,333,176		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2023		2024		2025		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		7,398		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		7,398		

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

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

Linda Vague
Treasurer

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County
Wayne Bold Residence for the purpose of hearing and
proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax.
County Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.
GET SUMMARY
mount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits
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*
34,194	12.567	34,647	28,075	12.457
34,194	12.567	34,647	28,075	12.457
		*Revenue Neutral Rate**		12.457
0		0		
34,194		34,647		
28,074		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
2,254,037		2,253,716		

2024	2025
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

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2026 Green Garden Township RNR & Budget Hearing

(First Published In the Ellsworth County Independent/Reporter, July 17, 2025)

NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Green Garden Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on August 25, 2025 at 9:00 am at Lorraine City Office 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							
Debt Service							
Library							
Road	123,117	4.731	119,115	4.594	144,042	139,338	5.639
Special Machinery	2,120						
Totals	127,237	4.731	119,115	4.594	144,042	139,338	5.639
					*Revenue Neutral Rate**		4.639
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	127,237		119,115		144,042		
Total Tax Levied	114,602		114,602		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation							
Township	24,224,444		25,221,805		24,707,599		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2023		2024		2025		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		594,181		
Total	0		0		594,181		

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

Monte Rolfs Treasurer

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Independent/Reporter, July 17, 2025)

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Township
County
Wyatt Hochstrum Residence for the purpose of hearing and
proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax.
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GET SUMMARY
mount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits
ubject 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*
39,345	14.384	41,085	31,469	13.199
39,345	14.384	41,085	31,469	13.199
		*Revenue Neutral Rate**		13.199
0		0		
39,345		41,085		
31,522		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
2,187,709		2,384,191		

2024	2025
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

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2026 Columbia Township Budget Hearing

(First Published in the Ellsworth County Independent/Reporter, July 17, 2025)

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

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Columbia Township
Ellsworth County
will meet on August 13, 2025 at 7:00 pm at Amanda Westfall 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.
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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	43,457	16.191	43,193	17.086	43,345	38,458	16.483
Totals	43,457	16.191	43,193	17.086	43,345	38,458	16.483
					*Revenue Neutral Rate**		16.483
Less: Transfers	973		0		0		
Net Expenditure	42,484		43,193		43,345		
Total Tax Levied	38,459		38,459		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation							
Township	2,375,290		2,250,868		2,313,176		
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1	2023		2024		2025		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		7,398		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		7,398		

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Linda Vague
Treasurer

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Additional legals are on:

B4, B7

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

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

	Assessed Value	New Improvements	Territory Added	Changed Use
Real Estate	1,979,426	0	0	10,348
State Assessed	259,399	0		
Severed Minerals	0			
Personal Property	80,270			
Oil & Gas	14,081			
Total Value	2,333,176	0		

2. Personal Property: 94,351
(Use this amount on Computation to Determine Limit for 2026 budget, line 5a)

Revenue Neutral Rate 16.483

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

SAC	Fund	Rate	RN Rate
135	COLUMBIA TWP GENERAL	17.086	16.483
	Total Levied	17.086	

4. Final Assessed Valuation from the November 2024 abstract: 2,250,868

5. 2024 Personal Property: 87,367
(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: .250058

9. 2023 delinquency percentage for special assessments: .000000

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

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