

Ottawa County

2026

NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Ottawa County

will meet on September 15, 2025 at 8:00 AM at County Commission Room 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 and Revenue Neutral Rate. Detailed budget information is available at 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.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget Year for 2026		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	3,920,100	23.777	3,350,901	15.505	5,783,565	3,028,065	27.606
Debt Service	36,375	0.316	35,625	0.255	47,508	40,000	0.365
Road & Bridge	3,081,654	23.336	3,383,200	24.156	3,858,691	2,649,616	24.156
Debt Service - Hospital	331,800	2.837	329,980	2.673	376,172	326,225	2.974
Special Bridge	72,021		100,000	1.986	1,333,289	217,833	1.986
Noxious Weed	229,613	1.500	225,800	1.489	247,282	164,534	1.500
Services for Aging	136,579	0.948	212,925	0.993	418,988	109,689	1.000
County Health	378,700	0.948	334,625	0.993	310,523	212,543	1.938
Election Expense	74,231	0.811	96,125	0.474			
Building	13,621	1.000	100,000	0.993	545,752	109,689	1.000
Historical Collection	52,910	0.771	110,500	0.767	92,317	84,087	0.767
Appraiser	140,940	1.755	207,005	1.495	234,945	173,978	1.586
Employee Benefits	1,494,197	20.338	1,847,000	18.509	3,458,610	2,030,252	18.509
Sheriff - General			1,432,769	13.099			
Alcohol & Drug Abuse	200		500		27,216		
Special Parks & Recreation			556		16,449		
Election Capital Outlay			3,000		5,000		
Insurance Claims	250,810		280,000		886,335		
Ottawa 911	56,239		72,606		60,000		
Solid Waste	459,117		461,137		630,568		
Law Enforcement	342,905		4,338				
Noxious Weed Capital Out			31,816		100,000		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	366,732						
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	397,936						
Non-Budgeted Funds-C	672,292						
Non-Budgeted Funds-D	10,163						
Totals	12,519,135	78.337	12,620,408	83.387	18,433,210	9,146,511	83.387
<i>Revenue Neutral Rate **</i>							<i>79.425</i>
Less: Transfers	1,051,840		719,632		418,000		
Net Expenditure	11,467,295		11,900,776		18,015,210		
Total Tax Levied	7,874,963		8,710,668		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx		
Assessed Valuation	100,525,232		104,470,098		109,688,724		

Outstanding Indebtedness,

	2023	2024	2025
January 1,			
G.O. Bonds	3,910,000	2,860,902	3,335,000
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	1,588,678	1,077,159	649,176
Total	5,498,678	3,938,061	3,984,176

*Tax rates are expressed in mills

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

Tammi Cox

County Clerk

No assurance is provided.

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