## **BUDGET HEARING MINUTES**

The 2025-2026 Pawnee County Budget Hearing was held the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in the first-floor meeting room of the Pawnee County Courthouse. Members present were Ron Seitz, Jan Lang, Lavon Heidemann and Rachel King.

Public Comment was held at 9:05 a.m.- Chris Rauner spoke regarding the Road budget.

## **Budget Approval**

The budget summary was given by Rachel King, Clerk. There is a total of \$11,136,084.00 budgeted disbursements plus \$450,000.00 for necessary cash reserve totaling \$11,586,084.00 in disbursements. There is \$8,871,688.71 in available revenue before property taxes plus \$2,804,395.29 property taxes totaling \$11,676,084.00 in revenue. For 2025-2026 we are asking for \$2,804,395.29 in personal and property taxes which is \$77,314.77 or a 2.84% increase from the 2024-2025 tax request of \$2,727,044.52. The budget has \$111,316.64 in unused budget authority. Pawnee County valuation for 2025-2026 is \$1,018,902,897.00 which is an increase of \$120,881,034.00 or 13.46% from the 2024-2025 valuation of \$898,021,863.00.

The 2025-2026 tax levy is .275237 compared to the 2024-2025 tax levy of .303672 which is a decrease of 1.09% in the levy.

After discussion Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to adjourn the 2025-2026 budget hearing at 9:32 a.m. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes).

Chairman Seitz adjourned the budget hearing at 9:32 a.m.

Attest: Rachel King, Pawnee County Clerk

## **FINAL TAX REQUEST HEARING**

The 2025-2026 Pawnee County Final Tax Request Hearing was held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025, at 9:35 a.m. in the first-floor meeting room of the Pawnee County Courthouse. Members present were Ron Seitz, Jan Lang, Lavon Heidemann and Rachel King. No public attended.

Rachel King, Clerk, presented the final tax request of \$2,804,395.29 which is a levy of .275237 for the 2025-2026 budget year which is a decrease of .028435 from the 2024-2025 tax levy of .303672.

After discussion, Lang moved and Heidemann seconded to adjourn the 2025-2026 final tax request hearing at 9:43 a.m. Voting: Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes), Seitz (yes).

Chairman Seitz adjourned the final tax request hearing at 9:43 a.m.

Attest: Rachel King, Pawnee County Clerk