

BUDGET HEARING MINUTES

The 2026-2027 Pawnee County Budget Hearing was held the 29th day of September, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. in the first-floor meeting room of the Pawnee County Courthouse. Members present were Ron Seitz, Jan Lang, Lavon Heidemann and County Clerk, Lindsay Kostecka and Candi Nicholas. Motion made by Lang seconded by Heidemann to approve the agenda as presented with the correction of public comment being at 8:02am. Voting: Seitz (yes), Lang (yes), Heidemann (yes). Public Comment was held at 8:02 a.m. No public comment.

Budget Approval

The budget summary was given by Candi Nicholas. There is a total of \$12,614,339.70 budgeted disbursements plus \$450,000.00 for necessary cash reserve totaling \$13,064,339.70 in disbursements. There is \$9,827,649.37 in available revenue before property taxes plus \$3,086,690.33 property taxes totaling \$12,914,339.70 in revenue. For 2026-2027 we are asking for \$3,086,690.33 in personal and property taxes which is \$282,295.04 or a 10.07% increase from the 2025-2026 tax request of \$2,804,395.29. The budget has \$153,309.78 in unused budget authority. Pawnee County valuation for 2026-2027 is \$1,108,215,846.00 which is an increase of \$89,312,949.00 or 8.77% from the 2025-2026 valuation of \$1,018,902,897.00. The 2026-2027 tax levy is .278528 compared to the 2025-2026 tax levy of .275237 which is an increase of 1.20% in the levy.

Chairman Seitz adjourned the budget hearing at 8:10a.m.

Attest: Lindsay Kostecka, Pawnee County Clerk