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2023 TAX LEVY FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY Rate of tax levied for 2023 on \$1,000. per assessed values ARE AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2023 TANGIBLE VALUATION OF SHERIDAN COUNTY IS \$73,284,829, INCLUDING PENALTY OF \$64,316.

STATE	K.S.A.	Levy	CITY FUND LEVIES	K.S.A.	Levy
Educational Building Fund	76-6b01	1.000	Hoxie City-Valuation	10,391,379	
State Institutional Fund	76-6b04	0.500	State		1.500
TOTAL STATE FUNDS		1.500	County		71.624
COUNTY FUNDS			USD 412		47.771
73,220,513			RFD 1		4.400
General	79-1945	30.214	City		61.623
Road & Bridge	68-5,101	25.935	Twin Creek Extension		1.712
Noxious Weed	2-1318	1.700	TOTAL (Tax Unit 001)		188.630
Library Service Contract	12-1215	0.263	Hoxie City Breakdown		
Intellectually Challenged	19-4004	0.632	General	12-101a	35.868
Hospital Maintenance*	19-4606	10.000	Library	12-1215	3.444
Public Health	65-204	0.500	Bond & Interest	10-113	0.925
Mental Health	19-4007	0.236	Employee Benefits	12-16,102	15.809
Elderly Service Program*	12-1680	0.750	Street Resurfacing	15-733	5.103
Pool Lease/Purchase Contra	ct 10-1116c	1.394	Airport	3-121	0.474
COUNTY TOTAL		71.624	Total		61.623
*Indicates Election			Selden City Valuation	1,357,457	
			State		1.500
			County -		71.624
			USD 316		55.261
FIRE DISTRICT LEVIES	K.S.A. 19-3610		RFD 1		4.400
District	Valuation	Levy	Selden Cemetery		0.847
Oakley Fire	115,501	1.429	Selden City		57.331
Rural Fire 1	62,178,744	4.400	Twin Creek Extension		1.712
Rural Fire 4	4,468,073	2.310	TOTAL (Tax Unit 002)		192.675
			Selden City Breakdown		
REGIONAL LIBRARY	K.S.A.	LEVY	General	12-101a	55.292
Valuation	61,471,677		Library	12-1215 10-113	
GENERAL	79-2551	1.178	Bond & Interest		
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	0.176	Total		57.331
TOTAL		1.354			
TWIN CREEK EXTENSION	K.S.A. 2-623	CEMETERY FUND LEVIES	K.S.A.	12-1403	
District	Valuation	Levy	DISTRICT	ALUATION	LEVY
District 9	73,220,513	1.712	Dresden Cemetery	2,236,990	1.454
			Fairview Cemetery	3,097,960	3.012
			Hawkeye Cemetery	412,664	1.488
			Lucerne Cemetery	2,381,845	0.000

VALUATIONS LISTED ARE SHERIDAN COUNTY VALUATIONS ONLY, STATE OF KANSAS, SHERIDAN COUNTY, SS I, Heather Bracht, Clerk of Sheridan County, Kansas hereby certify the foregoing are the legal levies of Sherida County, Kansas for the year 2023 as shown by the records on file in my office.

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1,932,966

UNIFIED SCHOOL D	ISTRICTS											
		211	274	291	292	293	294	316	412			
VALUATION K.S.A.	SB41	38,861	125,873	4,021,999	2,957,370	3,697,185	16,376	7,160,841	49,974,820			
General 72-5142		20.000	20.000	20,000	20,000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000			
VALUATION		42,899	135,636	4,258,853	3,088,899	3,780,544	21,212	7,928,518	53,963,952			
Supp Gen 72-514	7	21.172	20.600	9.746	20.600	20.920	19.474	27.261	19.771			
Cap Outlay 72-53,11	3	6.995	7.933	8.000	8.000	8.000	8.000	8.000	8.000			
Recreation 12-192		2.909	1,984									
Bond & Interest 10-11	13	9.171				26.489						
TOTALS		60.247	50.517	37.746	48.600	75.409	47.474	55.261	47.771			
2023 Levies by Taxin	ng Unit			K.S.A. 79-1	962, 19-3105		2023 Levie	es by Taxin	g Units	K.S.A. 79-190	2, 19-310	5
TAX UNIT	LEVY	USD	GEN		TWP LEVY		TAX UNIT		USD	GEN	CEM TV	WP LEVY
ADELL TWP-Valuation							EAST SAL	JNE TWP-V	aluation \$4,36	0,564. (RFD	1/Reg Lib	rary)
Adell Tax Units			0.000	0.000	0.000		East Saline	e Tax Units		0.000	0.000	0.000
010	140.837	211					095	155.999	293			
014	128.361	412					096	128.361	412			
015	129.815	412/Dresdi	en Cem				WEST SA	LINE TWP-	/aluation \$3,9	29,442. (RFD	1/Reg Lib	brary)
BLOOMFIELD TWP-	Valuation \$2.			ibrary)			West Salin	ne Tax Units		0.000	0.000	0.000
Bloomfield Tax Units		in dear he	0.000	0.000	0.000		090	129.190	292			
040	133.761	316					091	129,190	292			
041	136.773	316/Fairvie	w Cem				092	155,999	293			
042	134.570	316/Rexfor	rd Cem				093	128.361	412			
043	134.608	316/Selder	n Cem				SHERIDA	N TWP-Valu	uation \$3,651,	124. (RFD 1/F	Reg Librar	ry)
044	126.271	412					Sheridan 1	Tax Units		0.000	0.000	0.000
045	127,118	412/Selder	n Cem				025	136.698	316/Selden C	em		
BOWCREEK TWP-V				brary)			026	129.208	412/Selden C	em		
Bowcreek Tax Unit		and the s	0.424	0.000	0.424		SOLOMO	N TWP-Valu	uation \$6,573,	696. (Reg Lib	rary)	
055	128,785	412					Solomon 1	Tax Units		2.490	0.000	2.490
KENNETH TWP-Valu	uation \$4,903	,937. (RFD 1	/Reg Libra	ery)			075	129.197	274			
Kenneth Tax Unit			0.000	0.000	0.000		076	130.626	274/Oakley F	ire		
065	128.361	412					077	117.855	291/Oakley F	ire		
LOGAN TWP-Valuat	ion \$8,642,33	1. (RFD 1/R	eg Library)			078	116.426	291			
Logan Tax Units			0.000	0.000	0.000		079	127.280	292			
070	128.361	412					080	136.953	316/Fairview	Cem		
071	131,373	412/Fairvie	ew Cem				081	126.451	412			
072	138.863	316/Fairvie	ew cem				082	129.463	412/Fairview	Cem		
PARNELL TWP-Valu	uation \$5,847	,375. (RFD 1	/Reg Libra	iry)			SPRINGB	ROOK TWE	-Valuation \$7	,617,494. (RF	D 1/Reg I	Library)
Pamell Tax Units			0.000	0.000	0.000		Springbroo	ok Tax Units		0.000	0.000	0.000
050	128.361	412					085	118.336	291			
051	129.208	412/Selder	n Cem				086	129.190	292			
052	136.698	316/Selder	n Cem				087	128.361	412			
PRAIRIE DOG TWP-	Valuation \$2	,093,506. (RI	FD 4/Reg L	library)			UNION TY	NP-Valuatio	on \$2,284,044.	(RFD 1/Reg	Library)	
Prairie Dog Tax Units			0.000	0.000	0.000		Union Tax	Units		0.000	0.000	0.000
030	127.462	294/Hawki	eye Cem				021	128.361	412			
031	133.761	316					022	129.815	412/Dresden	Cem		
032	135.249	316/Hawki	eye Cem				VALLEY 1	TWP-Valuat	ion \$2,845,43	0. (RFD 1/Reg	Library)	
033	134.570	316/Rexfo	rd Cem				Valley Tax	Units		0.370	0.000	0.370
034	134.608	316/Selder	n Cem				060	128.731	412			
035	127 118	412/Selder	n Cem									

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Real Estate Loans - Leasing "Proudly Serving Sheridan County"



Commission Minutes 11/14/23

Now on this 21st day of November 2023, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas, met in regular session with Chairman Mike "Buck" Mader presiding. Other members present were Kyle Ahlenstorf, Joe Bainter, Joe Pratt, County Attorney, and County Clerk, Heather Bracht.

At 8:00 a.m. Mader called the meeting to order.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pratt advised the Board he had filed the Corrected Deed from the Sheridan County Board of Commissioners to Sheridan County Community Foundation (SCCF) Properties, LLC, for the lot east of the hospital being used for the daycare duplex.

Several Treasurers adds and abatements were approved and signed by the board on a motion by Ahlenstorf and second by Bainter. Carried 3-0

Chad Koster and Rebecca Bird from the Sheridan County Health Complex came to the table to discuss Public Health. Koster advised the Board that a full-time nurse had been hired. Koster stated several grants have come in to possibly help with upgrades in the common area for things such as a TV and Zoom.

There was a discussion about the bill the County received from the hospital in the amount of \$6,275.49, which is what the hospital was short from services provided and what was paid. Koster advised that there is always going to be an additional cost to the County. There was discussion about the amount of tax dollars the hospital receives and where this additional money would come from.

Bird gave a brief financial review of Public Health.

Koster advised the Board immunizations remain with the clinic as they currently have the VFC status. The County's VFC status was suspended when the clinic took over. The Board agreed to pay the additional cost of \$6,275.49

Graham Co. will continue servicing the WIC community at this time.

Koster advised the Board that Behavioral Health is relocated to the Main St. office.

Koster asked about taxes and being exempt and was advised he needed to talk with the Appraiser's Office.

emergency expansion is still a priority, but the Hospital Board of Trustees are struggling with the finances. The cost estimate almost doubled and now is at \$4.5 million. Koster stated they will use FQHC/HRSA funds to expand the clinic.

Dr. Gaede's practice is growing, and he will be having expanded services such as colonoscopy's, etc.

Senator Moran is visiting the hospital on Wednesday, which will consist of a quick tour of the hospital then a short meeting in the conference room with the Board. Commissioners are invited to attend.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor came to the table. Herskowitz distributed information from a magazine on road grooms.

Herskowitz advised the Board that Teeter had completed the two miles of road and the County is now hauling gravel there.

Phase II of the Teeter bid was for 90S/100-130W, pulling shoulders and elevate at a cost of \$17,250. Mader made a motion to approve the bid from Teeter seconded by Ahlenstorf. Carried 3-0

By consensus, the Board approved getting a load of diesel from Bainter Oil.

There was a vehicle rollover over the weekend, and it was claimed there were waves on the road. Herskowitz checked it out and it was cleaned up a

Hoxie Veterinary Service, PA 1367 N Hwy 23, Hoxie 785-675-3378 Derek Pridey, DVM Brandi Taul, DVM Abraham Padilla, DVM Monday-Friday 8am-5pm **Saturdáy** 8am-noon

24-hr emergency

little on Monday.

A drag bill was received from August/September. A note will be sent to the operator reminding that bills need to be turned in immediately. Several employees are using time off this week. Herskowitz is getting evaluations ready.

At 9:15 Mader made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Bainter seconded. Carried 3-0. Present were the Board, Herskowitz, and Bracht. The door opened at 9:25 with no decision.

Ahlenstorf made a motion to approve the November 14, 2023, Minutes, as amended. Mader seconded. Carried 3-0

The November 17, 2023 Payroll was approved on a motion by Bainter and second by Ahlenstorf. Carried 3-0

At 9:35 the Board and Bracht convened to Herskowitz's county pickup and left the courthouse to inspect roads in the southeast part of the county, as well as several bridges. The Board returned to the courthouse at 11:25.

The following Payroll was approved and signed by the Board:

General \$80,198.69 Road & Bridge \$27,871.32 Nox. Weed \$1,867.03 Public Transp. \$985.00 Landfill \$1,664.82 MV\$1,293.08

At 11:26 a.m. with no further business, Mader made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the commissioner

Attest: Heather Bracht, County Clerk, Mike "Buck" Mader, Chairman

Kansas **Crop Progress** and Condition

Manhattan - For the week ending November 26, 2023, there were 4.9 days suitable for fieldwork, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Topsoil moisture supplies rated 28% very short, 33% short, 35% adequate, and 4% surplus Subsoil moisture supplies rated 37% very short, 36% short, 26% adequate, and 1% surplus.

Field Crops Report: Winter wheat condition rated 16% very poor, 16% poor, 36% fair, 28% good, and 4% excellent. Winter wheat emerged was 93%, ahead of 86% last year, and near 90% for the five-year average.

Cotton harvested was 80%, behind 90% last year, but ahead of 63% average.

Sunflowers harvested was 92%, near 96% last year and 93% average.

Pasture and Range Report: Pasture and range conditions rated 24% very poor, 30% poor, 34% fair, 11% good, and 1% excellent.



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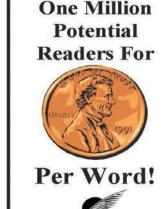
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Youth Taxidermy Workshop Offered

By University Communications

Hays - For those who would like to learn about preserving animals for study or display, the Kansas Wetlands Education Center is hosting a workshop in December. Participants aged 12-18 can learn and practice this art on Thursday, Dec. 28, from 8 a.m.-5

Andrew Wittenberg, Ellinwood High School science teacher and local taxidermist, will help youth navigate the taxidermy process by creating a pheasant mount. This will be a tedious process; only those serious about learning should register.

Ages 12-14 must register and attend with an adult who can assist with the process. Ages 15-18 can bring an adult to help if they

Limited to 10 participants, registration by Dec. 8 is required for the workshop. The cost is \$25 to cover supplies. Participants will need to bring their own pheasant and can contact the KWEC for tips on how to hold the pheasant over until the class. Efforts will be made by the KWEC crew to harvest a few additional birds. Those in the class should also bring their lunch for the day. To register, call 877-243-9268 or email amkern2@fhsu.edu.

Project WILD is a KWEC monthly program geared toward school-age kids and their families. The program's mission is to get kids off screens and out in nature.

The Kansas Wetlands Education Center, affiliated with FHSU's Werth College of Science, Technology and Mathematics, is located 10 miles northeast of Great Bend along Kansas Highway 156 at Cheyenne Bottoms, 592 NE K-156 Hwy., Great Bend, KS 67530.

For more information, visit wetlandscenter.fhsu.edu or call 1-877-243-9268.

FHSU's Annual Toy-Building Event Set

By FHSU University Communications

Havs - As the 2023 holiday season commences. Fort Havs State University's annual toy-building event is approaching quickly.

The 34th Annual Fred Ruda's Teaming up for Tots event is set to take place on Saturday, Dec. 2, at the Center for Applied Technology at Fort Hays State University. This year, volunteers from the community will build over 150 wooden riverboat toys that will be distributed to children in need in our community.

Students in the Department of Applied Technology have designed the toy and all the processes, jigs, and fixtures needed to produce the toys on a mass scale. Community members are asked to volunteer to run a station. Jobs include but aren't limited to running machinery, moving pieces from one part of the assembly line to another, gluing and assembling parts, sanding, and applying oil finish to the production toys!

"This is one of the best opportunities for our students to give back to the community," said Zach Pixler, Assistant Professor of Applied Technology. "Not only do they learn more about the manufacturing process, they get to flex their creative muscles a bit and see the positive impact that their hard work has on those around them. This year's riverboat toy is really cool, and I'm excited to see them all come together on our line!"

Building will commence at 9 a.m. and will be completed by lunchtime. Join us for coffee and donuts before the event and pizza after the build. All ages are welcome. No sign-up is necessary; just bring safety glasses and be ready to build.

For answers to any questions, contact the Department of Applied Technology at 785-628-4211.

\$400,000+ Invested in Kansas Ag Producers

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Kansas State Director Christy Davis announced today that USDA is investing \$418,318 in grants that will expand markets for agricultural producers and strengthen food and agriculture supply chains in rural Kansas.

"When we invest in rural small businesses, we are forging a new future for our state's small towns," Davis said. "This program gives Kansans more local food options while broadening markets for rural entrepreneurs."

This announcement is part of a larger national announcement that includes 36 other states and Puerto Rico.

The details of the Kansas projects are:

A \$220,818 grant will be used to double the production of Elm Creek Beef's value-added products while implementing targeted marketing techniques to grow and diversify their customer base. Working Capital funds will be used for marketing, labor, raw agricultural commodity and retail supplies for this Hoyt business. Three jobs will be created as result of the project.

A \$192,500 grant will be used to expand Bow Creek Ranch LLC's packaged and frozen yak meat product line, diversify into new markets and increase sales. Working capital funds will be used for marketing, travel, additional raw commodity, additional labor, and processing costs. The Lenora business expects to create two parttime jobs as result of the project.

Northern Plains Farm Labor

Lincoln, NE - In the Northern Plains Region (Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota) there were 37,000 workers hired directly by farm operators on farms and ranches during the week of July 9-15, 2023, down 3% from the July 2022 reference week, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Workers numbered 43,000 during the week of October 8-14, 2023, down 4% from the October 2022 reference week.

Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$18.68 per hour during the July 2023 reference week, up 6% from the July 2022 reference week. Field workers received an average of \$18.87 per hour, up \$1.30. Livestock workers earned \$17.44 per hour, up \$0.59. The field and livestock worker combined wage rate at \$18.18, was up \$0.93 from the 2022 reference week. Hired laborers worked an average of 45.2 hours during the July 2023 reference week, compared with 44.4 hours worked during the July 2022 reference week.

Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$19.37 per hour during the October 2023 reference week, up 6% from the October 2022 reference week. Field workers received an average of \$19.88 per hour, up \$1.42. Livestock workers earned \$17.30 per hour, up \$0.42 from a year earlier. The field and livestock worker combined wage rate, at \$18.89, was up \$1.01 from the October 2022 reference week. Hired laborers worked an average of 47.9 hours during the October 2023 reference week, compared with 45.9 hours worked during the October 2022 reference week.



Ask your newspaper representative for complete details.

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