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Legal Notice

(First Published in Lincoln Sentinel-Republican on Wednesday, July 30, 2025) NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

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City of Beverty

will meet on September 8, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at 203 N Main Stree: for the purpose of hearing and
answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all furds and the amount of ad valorem tax.

Detailed budget information is available at City Hall and will \(\tilde{\tild

| Expenditures | Actual Tax Rate* | Expenditures | Actual Tax Rate* | Budget Authority for Expenditures | Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax | Proposed Estimated Tax Rate* |
|--------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 51,036 | 26.697 | 123,760 | 25.202 | 69,855 | 15,127 | 18.011 |
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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

(First Published in Lincoln Sentinel-Republican on Wednesday, August 6, 2025)

The governing body of Scott Township

will meet on August 26, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at Joe Coover Residence, 2090 N 245th Rd, Barnard, KS 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 Joe Coover Residence 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 | 2,739 | 1.886 | 2,800 | 1.924 | 9,980 | 3,500 | 1.922 |
| Totals | 2,739 | 1.886 | 2.800 | 1.924 | 9,980 | 3,500 | 1.922 |
| | | | | | ip Only - Revenue N | | 0.000 |
| | | Funds Sup | ported by Townsh | ip and 3rd Cla | ss City - Revenue N | leutral Rate** | 1.923 |
| Less: Transfers Net Expenditure Total Tax Levied Total Assessed Valuation Township Assessed Valuation | 0 2,739 3,500 1,856,757 1 Only | | 2,800 3,500 1,819,750 | | 9,980 xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx | | |
| Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1 G.O. Bonds Other Lease Purchase Principal Total *Tax rates are expressed in 1 | | 988 | 2024 0 0 0 0 | | 2025 0 0 0 0 | | |

Helmer/from page 1_

Due to extensive community involvement and lack of technical skills she was unable to commit the time to "build a strong base on social media." This significantly tested her business acumen. Paradoxically, because it is a small town, it also represented opportunity, for in a small community reputation is everything, and word of mouth is the best advertisement that money can't buy. The cold, indifferent internet could not hold a candle to the warm, effusive atmosphere of Village Lines due in no small part and directly attributable to its much beloved owner. Because of her magnanimous presence, Marilyn Helmer single-handedly held her own in competing with the internet for customers in an era of Amazon.

When asked what customers value, her answer was "the personal touch." Marilyn recognizes the value of her own hospitality, as is demonstrably evident in her own unique way of "making the customer feel important because we value them." Shopping at Village Lines is always very personal experience. It is not unusual to come in on a quick errand and end up sitting at the communal table aptly dubbed, 'The Gathering Table' as Marilyn or Judy, her steadfast assistant, serve drinks and snacks amidst friendly chatter with other visitors. And let's not forget the free cookies.

Marilyn has had to come to terms with some practical realities related to maintaining business at the level she once did. She lives 16 miles away from her store, down a narrow stretch of rural twolane highway and is now 83

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vears young.

"I do not drive in bad weather and therefore I am not open as many hours as in the past," She explained.

After a serious pancreatic attack in 2012, Marilyn was diagnosed with Celiac Disease. Her diagnosis drastically shifted her dietary needs.

"I switched to gluten, dairy & preservative-free foods that Celiac people need to survive. My needs became the foundation of ordering the foods other people like me depend on."

Proving her fortitude once more, Marilyn turned obstacles into opportunities and expanded her product line with the aim of serving others.

"I can special order as needed and have lower prices than other venues. I know my products and give information to educate them. I advise them and share their experiences to help others."

That she does, and no one

else does it quite like her. With effort, intention, and resolve like hers, the results are bound to be impactful and long-lasting. When asked how she would quantify her results, she indicated as much, stating, "The results have been strong relationships with the customers and vendors; memories that have lasted all these years, including those who were given their first job at Village Lines and appreciated having their first job with us, many who have returned to share their memories around 'The Gathering Table,' and the children who came in for cookies."

It would seem Marilyn Helmer defines her results not by that which can be counted in dollars or cents,

but by that which she can measure in memories, as well as her notable success in putting our heritage-steeped county of Lincoln on the radar, and on the map. In her own words, "I think I brought the community of Lincoln, Kansas the knowledge of regional history and appreciation of outstanding area attractions." Her legacy will outlive her and continue as a beacon of light long after Village Lines is gone. The reverberations of her succor will forever be felt by Lincoln in all its limestone glory. "What I'm told by people is that I'll never know how much I've helped people and added to the community. I was born to do this."

About the future of her store Helmer said, "I plan to find the right person who understands this market to continue when I retire."

Her mantra for all business owners, including herself, echoes exhortations of Winston Churchill's 1941. post-World War II address to Harrow School students. "Never give up." Reflective of how she has lived and run her business for close to 40 years she shares, "I recommend doing what you love to do. and were born to do that includes or embodies encouraging others to find what they also were born to do." Selflessness typifies her business plan. Focusing her efforts on her own store she has committed to "Keep doing what we have built. Keep on serving others as needed." Even her parting words are spoken in an invitation, "Come visit Village Lines in Lincoln, Kansas."

Helmer quietly celebrated 39 years in business at Village Lines on August 1, 2025.

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For Period 06/30/2025

Treasurer

| Fund Name | Beginning | | | Ending | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|--|
| | Balance | Receipts | Expenditures | Balance | |
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| County General | \$878,388.80 | 959,312.88 | 734,817.09 | \$1,102,884.5 | |
| Road & Bridge | \$761,057.39 | 560,584.30 | 462,493.48 | \$859,148.2 | |
| Special Bridge | \$434,641.13 | 58,255.51 | 2,965.67 | \$489,930.9 | |
| Special County Road | \$39,483.96 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$39,483.9 | |
| Special Machinery | \$36,842.33 | 0.00 | 36,000.00 | \$842.3 | |
| Special Road Improvement | \$150,000.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$150,000.0 | |
| Special Highway Improvement | \$34,753.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$34,753.8 | |
| County Refuse | \$185,457.68 | 77,090.33 | 61,989.64 | \$200,558.3 | |
| Ambulance CPR | \$1,144.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$1,144.2 | |
| Ambulance | \$144,690.39 | 160,466.95 | 117,545.97 | \$187,611.3 | |
| Ambulance Capital Outlay | \$119,180.94 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$119,180.9 | |
| Captial Improvement Fund | \$1,745,341.02 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$1,745,341.0 | |
| Equipment Reserve | \$166,101.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$166,101.0 | |
| Lincoln County 911 | \$168,700.41 | 17,567.32 | 4,788.59 | \$181,479.1 | |
| Employee Benefit | \$987,886.05 | 331,546.04 | 356,035.07 | \$963,397.0 | |
| Health Ins Claim Fund | \$914,846.75 | 5,757.69 | 2,375.11 | \$918,229.3 | |
| Emergency Mngt Cert Grant | \$151.07 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$151.0 | |
| Covid-19 Grant Funds | \$0.00 | 56,683.43 | 56,683.43 | \$0.0 | |
| CDBG Grants | \$25,190.25 | -2,696.18 | 16,965.66 | \$5,528.4 | |
| Health Fund | \$71,661.02 | 65,811.16 | 67,918.11 | \$69,554.0 | |
| County Health Capital Outlay | \$65,336.69 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$65,336.6 | |
| Home For Aged - Emerg & Rep | \$120,010.53 | 10,200.00 | | \$130,210.5 | |
| Law Enforcement | \$3,978.14 | 16,775.86 | 0.00 | \$20,754.0 | |
| Noxious Weed - General | \$77,123.53 | 23,142.59 | 17,160.48 | \$83,105.6 | |
| Noxious Weed - Capital Outlay | \$24,159.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$24,159.5 | |
| Reappraisal - Capital Outlay | \$17,976.09 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$17,976.0 | |
| Rescue Squad | \$141,834.64 | 0.00 | 1,328.37 | \$140,506.2 | |
| Repeater Board | \$25,229.74 | 0.00 | 2,489.54 | \$22,740.2 | |
| Transportation Bus | \$6,127.56 | 11,079.48 | 19,257.28 | -\$2,050.2 | |
| Barnard RFD - Spec Equipment | \$47,916.55 | 0.00 | 8,452.18 | \$39,464.3 | |
| Beverly RFD - Spec. Equipment | \$67,051.16 | 0.00 | 475.00 | \$66,576. | |
| First RFD - Spec Equipment | \$59,444.66 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$59,444.6 | |
| Hunter RFD - Spec Equipment | \$36,248.75 | 0.00 | 35,000.00 | \$1,248. | |
| Sylvan Grove RFD - Spec Equip | \$87,082.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$87,082.5 | |
| Barnard RFD - General | \$17,300.86 | 8,415.33 | -1,186.18 | \$26,902.3 | |
| Beverly RFD - General | \$17,406.97 | 12,716.66 | 5,214.47 | \$24,909. | |
| First RFD - General | \$28,510.98 | 22,992.11 | 3,993.06 | \$47,510.0 | |
| Hunter RFD - General | \$16,179.80 | 10,857.57 | -4,051.73 | \$31,089. | |
| Ottawa RFD - General | \$0.00 | 29.68 | 29.68 | \$0.0 | |
| Sylvan Grove RFD - General | \$10,802.89 | 9,625.07 | 4,192.41 | \$16,235. | |
| Sylvan Grove RFD - No Fund Warrants | \$126.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$126.9 | |
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| Totals | \$6,763,987.30 | 2,416,213,78 | \$2,012,932,38 | \$8.138.648. | |

I, Dawn Harlow, County Clerk in and for the County of Lincoln, Kansas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the claims allowed by the Board of County Commissioners at their April-June 2025 meetings. In accordance with K.S.A. 19-228, the above is public information and detailed records can be viewed in the County Clerk's Office during office working hours. Witness my hand and official seal, this 31st day of July,

LINCO CLERK

Dawn M. Harlow, County Clerk of Lincoln County

Legal Notice

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Beginning

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| | Balance | Receipts | Expenditures | Balance |
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| County General | \$404,913.62 | 1,960,209.16 | 1,486,733.98 | \$878,388.80 |
| Road & Bridge | \$66,527.39 | 1,223,426.69 | 528,896.69 | \$761,057.39 |
| Special Bridge | \$334,573.74 | 133,236.61 | 33,169.22 | \$434,641.13 |
| Special County Road | \$39,483.96 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$39,483.96 |
| Special Machinery | \$161,349.33 | 0.00 | 124,507.00 | \$36,842.33 |
| Special Road Improvement | \$150,000.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$150,000.00 |
| Special Highway Improvement | \$34,753.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$34,753.83 |
| County Refuse | \$125,524.46 | 137,205.62 | 77,272.40 | \$185,457.68 |
| Ambulance CPR | \$1,144.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$1,144.24 |
| Ambulance | \$51,064.90 | 246,012.29 | 152,386.80 | \$144,690.39 |
| Ambulance Capital Outlay | \$89,180.94 | 30,000.00 | | \$119,180.94 |
| Captial Improvement Fund | \$1,495,341.02 | 250,000.00 | | \$1,745,341.02 |
| Equipment Reserve | \$126,101.00 | 40,000.00 | | \$166,101.00 |
| Lincoln County 911 | \$189,885.52 | 17,395.72 | 38,580.83 | \$168,700.4 |
| Employee Benefit | \$650,446.72 | 749,246.84 | 411,807.51 | \$987,886.0 |
| Health Ins Claim Fund | \$914,337.43 | 509.32 | | \$914,846.7 |
| Emergency Mngt Cert Grant | \$151.07 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$151.0 |
| Covid-19 Grant Funds | \$0.00 | 18,495.02 | 18,495.02 | \$0.0 |
| CDBG Grants | \$50,185.25 | 3,928.29 | 28,923.29 | \$25,190.2 |
| Health Fund | \$35,274.55 | 111,512.62 | 75,126.15 | \$71,661.02 |
| County Health Capital Outlay | \$65,336.69 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$65,336.69 |
| Home For Aged - Emerg & Rep | \$110,922.11 | 10,200.00 | 1,111.58 | \$120,010.5 |
| Law Enforcement | \$24,854.41 | 38,691.87 | 59,568.14 | \$3,978.1 |
| Noxious Weed - General | \$27,960.65 | 51,355.10 | 2,192.22 | \$77,123.5 |
| Noxious Weed - Capital Outlay | \$16,859.57 | 7,300.00 | | \$24,159.5 |
| Reappraisal - Capital Outlay | \$17,976.09 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$17,976.0 |
| Rescue Squad | \$115,009.38 | 32,659.00 | | \$141,834.6 |
| Repeater Board | \$16,796.06 | 10,000.00 | | \$25,229.7 |
| Transportation Bus | \$2,674.77 | 21,402.70 | | \$6,127.5 |
| Barnard RFD - Spec Equipment | \$47,916.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$47,916.5 |
| Beverly RFD - Spec. Equipment | \$67,051.16 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$67,051.1 |
| First RFD - Spec Equipment | \$89,959.59 | 0.00 | 30,514.93 | \$59,444.6 |
| Hunter RFD - Spec Equipment | \$36,248.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$36,248.7 |
| Sylvan Grove RFD - Spec Equip | \$87,082.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | \$87,082.5 |
| Barnard RFD - General | \$4,749.65 | 27,196.28 | | \$17,300.8 |
| Beverly RFD - General | \$3,931.15 | 25,412.84 | | \$17,406.9 |
| First RFD - General | \$4,648.58 | 38,543.54 | | \$28,510.9 |
| Hunter RFD - General | \$4,004.13 | 28,690.31 | | \$16,179.8 |
| Ottawa RFD - General | \$0.00 | 90.89 | | \$10,179.0 |
| Sylvan Grove RFD - General | \$2,794.99 | 24,448.62 | 16,440.72 | \$10,802.8 |
| 0.1 | ΨZ,104.00 | 27,770.02 | 10,770.72 | Ψ10,002.0 |

I, Dawn Harlow, County Clerk in and for the County of Lincoln, Kansas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the claims allowed by the Board of County Commissioners at their January-March 2025 meetings. In accordance with K.S.A. 19-228, the above is public information and detailed records can be viewed in the County Clerk's Office during office working hours. Witness my hand and official seal, this 14th day of April,

\$126.90

\$6,763,987.30

CLERK

Sylvan Grove RFD - No Fund Warrants

Totals

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Dawn M. Harlow, County Clerk of Lincoln County

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