

RODEO: It’s dangerous, and that’s no bull

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The calves were rowdy and ran circuitous routes around the arena. Emotions ran hot, as contestants had only one throw to capture a calf.

Many missed and received zeros from the judges, leading to sad trots off stage. One older rider pounded his thigh in disgust.

Calf roping came next. The event was similar save for the fact that the calf had to be tied up after it was lassoed.

Young men dismounted their horses to tango with the calves, body-slamming them and tying their legs together in motions both grotesque and elegant.

Young kids climbed onto the arena’s fence to catch a better look.

Miniature bull riding, mutton-busting, barrel racing, and bull-riding rounded out the night.

Thirteen-year old Kelinda Smallwood, the only female competitor in mini-bull riding, drew raucous cheers and a high score from the judges after an impressive ride.

William Zimmerman, also 13, was bucked off his mini-bull and hit the ground hard, but was OK.

“His ears don’t hurt!” announcer Doug Reser cried as the crowd gave him a sympathetic hand.

Mutton-busting was the cutest event of the night, as young kids simulated bull-riding on gentler animals.

Kutter Penner was dragged under his lamb but impressively held on for about 30 feet.

Maddux Delk, riding a lamb

named “Shear Terror,” managed to complete most of his ride facing the wrong way.

A hushed mood fell over the crowd for bull-riding, the final and most hazardous event.

It took a few minutes behind arena gates to mount each rider atop his or her bull. The gates obscured most of this process, although a handful of cowboy hats poked out over the top of them.

Bronsyn Dowdle won the bull-riding, bouncing atop his bull’s sleek back for the requisite eight seconds and dismounting with a clean jump.

His bull trotted back to its lot politely, ready for a well-deserved rest.

SHOW: Mooving to the ring

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The family also raises chickens, ducks, dogs, cats, and a donkey.

FFA and 4-H members showed bucket calves, beef and dairy cattle, swine, goats, sheep, rabbits, and poultry at the fair.

Other fair competitions included visual arts, building block construction, displays, posters, photography, notebooks, wood-working, STEM, energy management, entomology, geology, wildlife, and food.

DERBY: Demolition duel

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The best form of attack for the drivers seemed to be defense.

Riders frequently messed up their own cars by being too aggressive in trying to back into others, and rounds frequently turned into battles of attrition, won by the savviest rather than the strongest driver.

Then again, more aggressive driving created a better spectacle.

“Come on, boys,” the announcer said.

For the RecordCONTINUED

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8 p.m.—The patient taken to HCH at 3:04 p.m. was transferred by Hillsboro ambulance to Ascension Via Christi St. Joseph Hospital, Wichita. A delay in transfer of care meant the ambulance did not return to Hillsboro until 11:22 p.m.

MONDAY

10:18 a.m.—A 76-year-old woman with shallow breathing in the 100 block of E. Forest St. in Marion was taken to Ascension Via Christi St. Francis Hospital, Wichita, by Marion ambulance.

6:28 p.m.—A person involved in a single-vehicle wreck on Kanza Rd. north of 180th Rd. declined to be taken to a hospital by Hillsboro ambulance. Hillsboro firefighters also were dispatched.

9:32 p.m.—A man who fell and gashed his arm at Birchwood Apartments in Hillsboro was helped up by Hillsboro ambulance attendants but declined to be taken to a hospital. Hillsboro firefighters were called to help lift the man but were told before they arrived that they would not be needed. Two home health workers also were at the apartment.

POLICE

ACTIVITY REPORTS

Law enforcement agencies provided these reports of their activities this past week. Routine activities such as patrols, inspections, training, report-writing, and assistance to other agencies are excluded. Dates may reflect starting or ending dates of officers’ shifts rather than actual dates of occurrence.

HILLSBORO

July 21 —A parking problem reported in the 200 block of S. Washington St. was not found. No problems were noted in checking on a motorist at US-56 and Jade Rd. Police answered a resident’s questions about vehicle identification numbers. A fire alarm at Hillsboro High School turned out to be a test.

July 22 — Police helped clear storm debris off roadways. A dog loose in the 200 block of S. Lincoln St. was returned to its owner. Police investigated a report of a person swimming in a drainage pond on the north edge of town. A driver was warned for speeding in the 900 block of E. D St.

July 23 — Police met with the owner of dogs loose in the 200 block

of S. Birch St., answered residents’ questions about motorcycle registration and stray cats, provided traffic control and security for the county fair and parade, investigated a disconnected 911 call from the city tree dump, and warned a driver for speeding in the 100 block of S. Main St.

Thursday —A missing person was located near the person’s residence. A wallet found by a resident was turned in to police. A dog loose in the 100 block of S. Cedar St. was returned to its owner. A disconnected 911 call from the 200 block of S. Lincoln St. was determined to have been a misdial. Police answered a question about motorcycle VIN inspections and patrolled the county fairgrounds.

Friday —An unwanted visitor was told not to trespass. A domestic disturbance in the 500 block of S. Lincoln St. did not become physical. Police patrolled at the fair and helped with its Glow Run.

Saturday —False alarms at Hillsboro Hometown Pharmacy and Emprise Bank were investigated. Police patrolled at the fair and its demolition derby.

Sunday —Police helped the sheriff’s office make an arrest in the 100 block of N. Lincoln St. and met with a

resident who had civil landlord-tenant issues.

MARION

July 21 —Police recovered multiple Main St. flag poles that were damaged during a thunderstorm. A power line also was felled in the 400 block of Walnut St. A dog reported to be loose in the 300 block of S. Lincoln St. was not found. A vehicle was reported to have been damaged in the 200 block of Eisenhower Dr., but no offense or accident report was released. Drivers were warned for speeding near Main and 1st Sts. and for an unspecified moving violation near Main and Thorp Sts.

July 22 —Two juveniles were questioned in the police department about marijuana and drug paraphernalia hidden in the 600 block of S. Freeborn St. The marijuana and paraphernalia were recovered. No problems were found in checking on a motorist near US-56 and Upland Rd.

July 23 —A driver was warned for speeding near US-56 and Cedar St.

Thursday —Drivers were warned for not using headlights after dark near Main St. and Eastmoor Dr. and for having a defective taillight near Main and Elm Sts.

Friday —Police talked to a resi-

dent of the 500 block of N. Coble St. about a rooster; roosters generally are not allowed within city limits. No problems were found in checking on a resident in the same block or in checking on an open door in the 100 block of W. Main St. A driver was warned for having a defective license plate light near US-56 and Timber Rd.

Saturday —A 37-year-old driver from Kansas City, Kansas, was arrested near US-56 and Cedar St. on suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol, transporting an open container of alcohol, and possessing a firearm while under the influence. An offense report is pending.

Sunday —Police helped sheriff’s deputies make a warrant arrest near K-150 and Bluestem Rd. and another arrest in Hillsboro. A driver was warned for having a defective tag light near US-56 and Industrial St.

TRAFFIC

DIVISION CASES

This information was filed last week in court. Court costs are included in any fines listed. If no hometown is listed,

no address was available on court records.

Maryellen Avery, 92 mph in 65 zone June 12, \$276.

Daniel P. Bigley, 84 mph in 65 zone June 7, \$207.

Dakota L. Crawford, 86 mph in 65 zone June 21, \$222.

Carolyn Ann DeGeorge, 90 mph in 65 zone June 18, \$258.

Edward Foley III, operating vehicle without registration or with expired tag June 25, case dismissed.

David J. Gasper, 86 mph in 65 zone June 20, \$222.

Emily B. Hatch, 90 mph in 65 zone June 19, \$258.

David L. Horton, 72 mph in 55 zone June 11, \$195.

William R. Levering, 70 mph in 55 zone June 13, \$183.

Wesley D. Myers, 90 mph in 65 zone June 11, \$258.

Tyler K. O’Daniel, 87 mph in 65 zone June 20, \$231.

Michael B. Ricks, 81 mph in 65 zone June 22, \$189.

Hitch Soyez, failure to wear seatbelt (14 to 17 years of age), \$60.

Eddi E. Rodriguiz, 75 mph in 65 zone June 14, \$153.

Shannon B. Skelton, display plate not assigned June 18, case dismissed.

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Marion County Fire District #7, Marion County

will meet on September 8, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. at 315 Main St, Tampa, KS 67483 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to levied. Detailed budget information is available at Marion County Clerks Office, 200 S. Third St., Marion 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 2024		Current Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	27,818	2.692	51,151	2.697	54,255	26,268	2.695
Debt Service							
Special Equipment Fund					27,046		
Totals	27,818	2.692	51,151	2.697	81,301	26,268	2.695
Funds Supported by Township and 3rd Class City - Revenue Neutral Rate**							2.695
Less: Transfers	0		3,851		0		
Net Expenditure	27,818		47,300		81,301		
Total Tax Levied	26,264		26,263				
Assessed Valuation:	9,754,305		9,736,343		9,745,206		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
Jan 1	2023		2024		2025		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		0		
Revenue Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		0		

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

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

Daniel Stuchlik, Treasurer

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Risley Township, Marion County

will meet on August 23, 2025 at 7:00 PM at 935 230th, Hillsboro, 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 the Marion County Clerk’s Office, 200 S Third St., Marion, KS and will be available at this hearing.

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General	19,502	3.653	23,939	3.719	43,139	14,549	3.427
Totals	19,502	3.653	23,939	3.719	43,139	14,549	3.427
Revenue Neutral Rate**							3.427
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	19,502		23,939		43,139		
Total Tax Levied	14,551		16,539				
Assessed Valuation: Township	3,979,535		3,912,811		4,245,781		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
Jan 1	2023		2024		2025		
G.O. Bonds	0		0		0		
Other	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		0		

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Paul Penner, Treasurer

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City of Marion, Kansas

Summary of Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursements and Unencumbered Cash June 30th, 2025

ACCOUNT TITLE	BUDGET EXPENSE	YTD REV-ENUE	QTD REV-ENUE	YTD EX-PENSE	QTD EX-PENSE	REMAIN-ING BUDGET	BUDGET USED(%)	OPERAT-ING CASH	OTHER CASH & INVEST-MENTS
GENERAL	2,206,373.00	1,084,733.31	434,051.17	1,030,927.15	603,227.11	1,175,445.85	46.72%	463,803.02	
UTILITY	4,813,081.00	1,712,518.66	790,413.31	1,655,160.67	867,899.81	3,157,920.33	34.39%	1,257,856.76	200.00
SP HIGHWAY	113,619.00	30,486.60	14,568.39	53,995.00		59,624.00	47.52%	48,866.02	
SP LE TRUST	38,846.00	7,256.00	4,079.00	739.66	339.66	38,106.34	1.90%	50,109.67	
LAND BANK	4,731.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,731.00	0.00%	4,080.68	
BOND & INTEREST	262,430.00	27,036.91	9,537.65	20,023.75	1,561.25	242,406.25	7.63%	8,750.63	
LIBRARY	111,367.00	91,778.01	33,677.74	88,315.63	33,677.74	23,051.37	79.30%	8,147.88	
SP PARK& REC	15,433.00	933.68	360.55	0.00	0.00	15,433.00	0.00%	13,313.63	
EQUIPMENT RES	402,543.00	0.00	0.00	4,021.51	4,021.51	398,521.49	1.00%	1,350.09	
CAPITAL IMPROVE	1,589,069.00	1,419,975.15	1,379,975.15	431,098.90	428,663.90	1,157,970.10	27.13%	1,002,654.59	732.20
INDUSTRIAL PROMOTE	248,900.00	123,330.84	58,039.30			248,900.00	0.00%	81,802.44	
TOTAL	9,806,392.00	4,498,049.16	2,724,702.26	3,284,282.27	1,939,390.98	6,273,209.73	33.49%	2,940,735.41	932.20

Bonded Indebtedness:

General Obligation Bonds:

Series 2012 Refunding	Water Plant/TRF/Levy	\$1,050,000.00
Series 2013	Main Trafficway Improve	\$260,000.00
Series 2025	Main Trafficway Improve and Water System Upgrades	\$1,000,000.00

Lease/Purchase Agreements:

Central National Bank	Bucket Truck	\$51,940.61
Marion National Bank	Motor Grader	\$0.00
Marion National Bank	Admin Car	\$8,163.00

Project Loan Indebtedness:

KS Water Pollution Control Rev - Jex Sewer		\$182,335.00
KS public Water Supply - Water Meters		
KS Public Water Supply - Water Project		\$2,613,172.00
USD 408 Pool Bond		\$0.00
KPP Voltage Upgrade		\$2,580,846.00

I, Janet Robinson, City Clerk, do hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

Signed Janet Robinson

7/24/2025

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