

Legals

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State of Kansas City							
2027							
NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING							
The governing body of City of Russell Springs							
will meet on October 21, 2026 at 7:00 pm at School Lunchroom 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 Clerk's Office and will be available at this hearing.							
BUDGET SUMMARY							
Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.							
	Prior Year Actual for 2025		Current Year Estimate for 2026		Proposed Budget for 2027		
FUND	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax	Estimate Tax Rate*
General	3,793	3.024	11,592	3.024	23,530		
Totals	3,793	3.024	11,592	3.024	23,530	0	0.000
					Revenue Neutral Rate** 2.709		
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	3,793		11,592		23,530		
Total Tax Levied	736		736		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	243,372		279,793		296,418		
Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1,							
G.O. Bonds	2024		2025		2026		
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							
Heather Zerr, Clerk							
City Official Title: Clerk							
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Hoe & Tell

By Shirley Buller

"Master Gardner"

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The butterflies have arrived! Thousands have arrived here in western Kansas the last week or so, and watching the lantana patch is a good way to spend the morning. The whole bed seems to be moving as they slowly work the flowers for their nectar that will keep them on the fly as they return to their Mexico mountain. They must have found shelter somewhere during our deluge last Thursday because the next morning they returned to continue their seasonal sipping. The Arkansas River came to life briefly as the runoff filled it to the banks and we were reminded that there really is a river there. Three inches here at the farm will set our tree rows for the winter and we are thankful.

I can't believe I have never planted garlic. But it is time now through mid November to pop the cloves into the soil for harvesting next summer. YouTube can answer all the questions you may have and digging your own garlic bulbs come pickle time seems like a very good idea. Dill will reseed without a thought each spring, so you are part way to pickling but garlic will need to be seeded each fall. I've got next spring's cucumber patch ready with a layer of fresh compost and a new wheat straw coat for the winter.

Temperatures have dipped into the upper forties, but no push to clean up the beds and

borders for the winter yet. Remembering the dollars we spent to fill those containers, we try to keep things deadheaded and fertilized until the last throes of fall. The Whopper begonias are at their prime now, but the vinca and impatiens are reluctantly giving up. I bought a box of leaf bags, ready to rake and store this year's leaf drop. Pick up the fallen leaves with a bagger mower, then layer them in the compost bins with the grass clippings and used potting soil from containers. Our compost bins made from old pallets have served us well and ready for the new garden and border trash gathered before winter sets in.

The gro-light shelves are again blazing in a corner in the basement, and will be home to the succulents and cactus that have summered out on the deck. I spray with an indoor insecticide first, sometimes washing each leaf to reduce the critters that want a ride back into the house. An infestation of spider mites brought in for the winter can take out a whole collection of house plants before you realize it. I have two Christmas cactus that are still outside, but when the nights settle down into the lower fifties, I will bring them in. Within a month, the buds start popping and by December the plant is in full bloom. This faithful and easy care houseplant makes great Christmas gifts and can grow for many years.



Waiting On Water

Kim Baldwin,
McPherson County
farmer and rancher

Fall harvest continues into another month on our farm. All of the dryland and irrigated corn and popcorn have been picked and either binned or delivered to the local elevator.

We've also fenced off and opened up the corn field bordering our pasture ground to allow the cattle to graze on the stalks this fall following a hot and dry summer that has definitely impacted the availability of good grass and ample natural water sources.

Opening the corn field to the cattle has provided an additional feed source for the animals, but it has moved them farther away from the remaining pools of water located throughout our dry creek bed.

A new routine has been added to our mornings and evenings as we haul water to a large stock tank that we've put in the corn field. The mornings have consisted of hauling water out to the stock tank. The evenings have been the same.

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CITY OF OAKLEY.

BOARD OF ZONING
APPEALS

PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE

The Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on November 4, 2026, at 12:10 PM, in the City Council meeting room, 415 W. 2nd Street, to hear one new Zoning Variance Request for a setback variance.

The property for which the variance is requested is:

Glick's Addition, Block 15, Lots 1 through 3. This property is commonly known as 627 Longview Ave, Oakley, Kansas 67748.

Questions regarding this request for a variance may be directed to the City Office at 785-671-3611.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL
ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the General Election pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-105. The GENERAL ELECTION will be held on November 3, 2026. The Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. The voting places in the various precincts or townships shall be as follows:

[1] Oakley
1st Precinct: Logan County EMS Bldg. 703 W. 3rd, Oakley, KS.

[2] Oakley 2nd
Precinct: Logan County EMS Bldg., 703 W. 3rd, Oakley, KS.

[3] Monument
Township: Logan County EMS Bldg., 703 W. 3rd, Oakley, KS.

[4] Winona
Township: Winona Fire Station, Winona, KS.
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McAllaster Township: Winona Fire Station, Winona, KS.

[6] Western
Township: Winona Fire Station, Winona, KS.

[7] Augustine
Township: Winona Fire Station, Winona, KS.

[8] Russell Springs
Township: Winona Fire Station, Winona, KS.

[9] Logan
Township: Logan County EMS Bldg., 703 W. 3rd, Oakley, KS.

[10] Paxton
Township: Winona Fire Station, Winona, KS.

[11] Elkader
Township: Logan County EMS Bldg., 703 W. 3rd, Oakley, KS.

[12] Lees
Township: Logan County EMS Bldg., 703 W. 3rd, Oakley, KS.

Any person registered to vote in Kansas may choose to vote early. Advanced voting by mail or in person shall begin Wednesday, October 14, 2026. Please contact the Logan County Clerk's Office at 671-4244.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2026.

CRYSTAL RUCKER
Logan County Clerk/
Election Officer
Logan County, Kansas

Triplains Weekly Bulletin #7 – 2026-2027



Monday October 5
No School - Fire Prevention Week

Tuesday, October 6

4:00 pm HS VB Tri @ Winona vs. Golden Plains & Northern Valley
Triplains vs. NV, GP vs. NV, Triplains vs. GP

*Spaghetti

Wednesday, October 7

8:30 am Grades PreK – 2nd to Winona Firehouse
9:00 am Grades 3 – 6th to Winona Firehouse
FCCLA Meeting during Lunch
KAY Meeting during Study Hall

*Chili



Thursday, October 8

*Roast Beef

Staff PLC
4:00 pm JH "A Team" Volleyball (3rd set to 25) @ Winona vs. Golden Plains
5:30 JH Tackle Football (possible Flag FB after Tackle) @ Winona vs. Golden Plains

Friday, October 9

3:00 pm HS Football game @ Weskan bus @ 12:30 pm
*Turkey & Cheese Sandwiches HS VB @ Weskan (JV Only) - 1 hr. after conclusion of HS FB Game

Saturday, October 10

9:00 am HS VB WKLL Tournament @ Goodland --- bracket TBA

*Menu may be subject to change

Logan County Health Dept. will be administering flu vaccines at Triplains School from 1:00 – 3:00 pm on Tuesday, October 13. Please indicate on the form if you want your child to receive the nasal spray (live) OR the injection (inactivated). Please include a copy of your insurance or \$30.00. If you have questions, please call 785-671-4502.



Movie Corner - Palace Community Theatre

Visit our website at www.palacetheatreoakley.com



HEART OF THE BEAST

October 10 & 11
Runtime: 1 Hr 41 Min
Rated: PG-13

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After a harrowing plane crash, Special Forces veteran James Belmont and his combat dog, Odin, find themselves stranded deep in the Alaskan wilderness. Together, they are forced into a brutal fight for survival against the elements.

Times: Friday @ Closed,
Saturday @ 7:30, Sunday @ 7:00





Craig Richards



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