LEGAL NOTICES

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The following is a list of delinquent personal property tax warranst for 2025. In accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2101, Kansas Annotated and any and all Supplements thereto, I Renee Neff, County Treasurer of Trego County, Kansas hereby certify that the Sheriff of Trego County, Kansas has returned the following personal property tax warrants for the year 2025 to me as being unpaid and the same are hereby transmitted in the office of the Clerk of the District Court, to be recorded as a judgement, unless otherwise prohibited by applicable Federal or State Law

TAXPAYER NAME

ARCADIAN RESOURCES, 313 E KANSAS ST, GLEN ELDER, KS 67446-0000, $789.60
DON BASGALL, C/O KERRI BAALMANN, 10350 S HOOVER RD, PECK, KS 67120-0000, $65.74
RICHARD & OR PENNY CORNETT, 6 HILLCREST AVE, EASTBOROUGH, KS 67208-0000, $82.36
RICHARD L CORNETT, 6 HILLCREST AVE, EASTBOROUGH, KS 67208-0000, $61.78
LLC CVR SUPPLY & TRADING, 2277 PLAZA DR, SUITE 500, SUGAR LAND, TX 77479-6602, $70.54
DART ROYALTIES LLC, PO BOX 2786, WICHITA, KS 67201-2786, $94.18
DEINES POLLAN SERVICES LLC, 810 S WASHINGTON ST, SCOTT CITY, KS 67871-0000, $1,105.42
VICTOR A ELLIS, 1245 LANIER BLVD NE, ATLANTA, GA 30306-0000, $203.16
FOUR WAY OPERATING INC, PO BOX 1232, GREAT BEND, KS 67530-0000, $852.68
ROBERT D FUSSELL, 3535 SW 6TH AVE, TOPEKA, KS 66606-1985, $68.46
ANNE HARRISON-CLARK, 116 COVE POINT LN, WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23185-0000, $83.80
ANNE HARRISON-CLARK, 116 COVE POINT LN, WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23185-0000, $77.12
MATTHEW D HUFFMAN, 3955 BECKET DR, COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80906-0000, $68.18
WENDELL S JOHNS JR, C/O JEFFERSON JOHNS, 1205 N HICKORY CREEK ST., WICHITA, KS 67206-1003, $97.50
ARTHUR KING JR, 3755 RIVER OAKS DR, NORMAN, OK 73072-0000, $69.42
SALLY J KING, ESTATE, 3755 RIVER OAKS DR, NORMAN, OK 73072-4627, $58.44
LINDEN P MACAULEY, TRUST, 2378 SANTA FE DR UNIT C, LONGMONT, CO 80504-0000, $72.88
DONALD C MARCHANT, C/O GAIL MARCHANT, 9204 S 88TH EAST AVE, TULSA, OK 74133-0000, $63.56
MAUREEN T MOSHER, 1725 HAPP RD, NORTHBROOK, IL 60062-5699, $113.52
CHRIS MRAZ, 265 2ND ST, BELMONT, MS 38827-7729, $70.54
DEBRA MARCHANT MYERS, 343 S CENTER ST, ORANGE, CA 92866-0000, $61.78
CLAIRE K NASS, 5237 CLAUSEN AVE, WESTERN SPRINGS, IL 60558-2026, $113.52
JOHN W NORMAN, 10631 AUTUMN MEADOW, HOUSTON, TX 77064-0000, $60.38
PATTERSON ENERGY LLC, PO BOX 400, HAYS, KS 67601-0000, $2,557.34
DIANE R PENCE, 6903 N CONGRESS AVE, KANSAS CITY, MO 54152-0000, $172.96
ROBERTO ALFARO QUINONES, 1243 130TH AVE, COLLYER, KS 67631-9513, $59.26
PATRICIA ANN RYAN, 16437 S MARAIS, OLATHE, KS 66062-0000, $128.40
JUDITH A SCHREINER, 120 NE 66TH ST, TOPEKA, KS 66617-0000, $58.61
ROBERT D SCOTT, 13490 IVY ST, THORNTON, CO 80602-9223, $84.16
SECTION 37 LLC, 2617 N GARNETT, WICHITA, KS 67226-0000, $83.34
JUNE L SHAFFER, 15015 E TEQUESTA CT, FOUNTAIN HLS, AZ 85268-1606, $76.52
DOROTHY SHROYER, PO BOX 249, INMAN, KS 67546-0000, $58.75
DAVE SMITH, 714 SHERIDAN #128, FORT DODGE, KS 67843-0000, $265.54
TOM L STOVER, 1525 US HWY 380, STE 500 BOX 36, FRISCO, TX 75033-0000, $60.93
MARGARET TRAVIS, 1004 E TATE, BROWNFIELD, TX 79316-0000, $77.58
MICKEY TRAVIS, 1004 E TATE, BROWNFIELD, TX 79316-0000, $77.58
GEORGE G VAUGHT JR, PO BOX 13557, DENVER, CO 80201-3557, $103.52
LAWRENCE J WALDSCHMIDT JR, C/O GEORGE WALDSCHMIDT, 341 WISCONSIN ST, OGALLAH, KS 67656-0000, $62.60
RAY N WARREN, 2777 NORTH TOWNE LANE, APT E1021, RENO, NV 89506-0000, $68.88
PAT WEAKLY, C/O RONETTE LARSON, 9211 E HARRY ST APT 1809, WICHITA, KS 67207-5064, $204.38
ROBERT C WEIBEL, 2125 CLINTON PKWY APT 206, LAWRENCE, KS 66047-0000, $58.61
LENNA LEA WIEBE, 7200 SILVERHEEL ST UNIT 111, PO BOX 9, SHAWNEE, KS 66227-0000, $84.26
STEPHANIE WRIGHT, 1101 POST OAK TRL, ANNA, TX 75409-4459, $61.20

Schmidt Foundation announces $1 milion matching gift for Sternberg Museum

By: FHSU Foundation

The future of the Sternberg Museum of Natural History received a significant boost today when Gary Shorman, president of the Bob and Pat Schmidt Foundation, announced a matching gift initiative that will double contributions up to $1 million to the Fort Hays State University Foundation's Save Sternberg fundraising campaign. The Schmidt Foundation's matching gift gives supporters an opportunity to help keep the museum open and continue its mission while long-term funding solutions are pursued. Reflecting Bob and Pat Schmidt's belief that a rising tide lifts all boats, the initiative honors their commitment to strengthening the communities they served. The Schmidts, who shared nearly 69 years of marriage and a deep love for FHSU, believed strongly in investing in opportunities within the Hays community. Schmidt Foundation trustees Gary Shorman, Joe Jeter, and Randy Walker continue that legacy through support of the Save Sternberg campaign. With a planned 1-to-1 match, eligible contributions, including those already raised through the Save Sternberg campaign, will go twice as far, providing individuals and businesses with a powerful means to help secure the future of a Kansas treasure. The matching gift arrives at a pivotal moment as the university works to address significant reductions in state funding. While the museum's educational and scientific impact is substantial, additional funding is necessary to meet its $1.3 million annual operating costs. To help preserve the museum while long-term solutions are explored, university president Dr. Tisa Mason directed the FHSU Foundation to secure $1 million in private gifts by December 31 through the Save Sternberg campaign. Thanks to the generosity of alumni, community members, and friends of the museum, more than $237,000 has already been raised in the first few weeks of the fundraising campaign. With a $1 million match on the table, every gift matters! Individuals and organizations interested in supporting the Save Sternberg campaign can visit foundation.fhsu.edu/save-sternberg.







HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5004

A PROPOSITION to amend section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas to require individuals to be citizens of the United States, at least 18 years of age and a resident of the voting area in which such person seeks to vote in order to vote in this state.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Section 1 of article 5 of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

"§ 1. Qualifications of electors. ~~Every~~(a) *No person shall be deemed a qualified elector unless such person:*

(1) *Is* a citizen of the United States ~~who~~;

(2) has attained the age of eighteen years; and ~~who~~

(3) *except as provided in subsection (b) or (c),* resides in the voting area in which ~~he or she~~ *such person* seeks to vote ~~shall be deemed a qualified elector.~~

(b) Laws of this state relating to voting for presidential electors and candidates for the office of president and vice-president of the United States shall comply with the laws of the United States relating thereto. A citizen of the United States, who is otherwise qualified to vote in Kansas for presidential electors and candidates for the offices of president and vice-president of the United States may vote for such officers either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of this state if ~~his or her~~ *such person's* removal from this state occurs during a period in accordance with federal law next preceding such election.

(c) A person who is otherwise a qualified elector may vote in the voting area of ~~his or her~~ *such person's* former residence either in person or by absentee ballot notwithstanding the fact that such person may have become a nonresident of such voting area during a period prescribed by law next preceding the election at which ~~he or she~~ *such person* seeks to vote, if ~~his~~ *such person's* new residence is in another voting area in the state of Kansas."

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

"Explanatory statement. This amendment would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

"A vote for this proposition would clarify that only a person who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to vote in this state.

"A vote against this proposition would make no change to the constitution of the state of Kansas, and the language concerning voter qualifications would remain the same."

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2026, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent resolution of the legislature, in which case the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the special election.

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General Transportation Bus

The WaKeeney General Transportation bus and the Trego Community Transportation (Out of town Van) receives federal transit operating dollars. This funding is utilized for the purchase of fuel, insurance, equipment maintenance and storage. We are seeking Kansas Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) certified companies as potential vendors for these services. Please contact the City of WaKeeney at 785-743-5791 if you are interested in learning more about the DBE program.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of WaKeeney is submitting an application for operating assistance for transportation services under the U.S.C. 49-5311 (rural public transportation) of the Federal Transit Act. The application will be for operating funds to help provide public transportation services in the area. The Operating Funds will also provide transportation services outside of the city limits through the Trego Community Transportation (Out of Town Van). Written comments and questions regarding the application are encouraged and will be accepted until November 5th, 2026 and should be sent to: Hardy Howard, City Administrator, P.O. Box 157, WaKeeney, KS 67672..

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Trego County 2026 Expenditures
July - September 2026

(A FULL DETAIL OF THESE EXPENSES IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION AT THE TREGO COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, COURTHOUSE, 216 N MAIN, WAKEENEY, KANSAS)

FUND	BEGINNING CASH July 1, 2026	ENDING CASH September 30, 2026	EXPENDITURES
General	$1,667,402.07	$1,294,647.76	$651,705.55
General Equipment Reserve	$94,201.46	$104,201.46	$0.00
Health Capital Outlay	$9,741.97	$9,291.97	$450.00
Capital Building Reserve	$603,946.49	$628,946.49	$0.00
Road & Bridge Capital Bldg Reserv	$150,412.96	$160,412.96	$0.00
Election Equipment Reserve	$11,173.61	$16,173.61	$0.00
Landfill Equipment Reserve	$168,121.00	$198,121.00	$0.00
Special Vehicle Reserve	$49,435.68	$79,435.68	$0.00
Economic Dev Special Project	$76,050.67	$76,050.67	$0.00
Airport Capital Outlay	$231,351.63	$246,351.63	$0.00
Emergency Mgmt Equip Reserve	$56,524.14	$65,276.20	$5,712.94
Road and Bridge	$1,241,418.19	$878,018.34	$402,512.75
Special Machinery	$404,142.95	$524,142.95	$0.00
Special Highway Improvement	$756,166.87	$756,166.87	$0.00
Fair	$32,808.25	$16,750.63	$17,887.47
Special Bridge	$153,688.42	$156,337.08	$0.00
Health	$208,765.80	$176,859.57	$72,030.14
Ambulance Capital Outlay	$218,701.28	$258,701.28	$0.00
Ambulance Memorial	$6,181.00	$6,181.00	$0.00
Wic	$16,401.20	$17,274.61	$4,005.17
Ambulance	$84,532.44	$47,999.34	$2,485.26
Historical Society	$10,993.49	$5,772.12	$5,700.00
Noxious Weed	$243,549.59	$229,806.93	$55,935.44
Noxious Weed Capital Outlay	$113,836.82	$118,836.82	$0.00
Mental Health	$12,388.12	$6,465.46	$6,474.99
Intellectually Challenged	$10,088.94	$5,065.74	$5,499.99
Employee Benefit	$1,201,197.86	$894,059.88	$334,888.49
Election	$63,784.97	$35,494.15	$23,898.86
Appraisal	$128,661.69	$95,432.04	$44,679.69
Hospital Maintenance	$141,181.67	$72,649.12	$75,000.00
Economic Development	$134,944.43	$144,202.48	$23,609.99
Bond & Interest	$20,538.80	$30,797.52	$0.00
Special Alcohol	$35,099.07	$33,618.82	$3,875.00
Special Parks & Recreation	$1,393.61	$1,296.45	$424.39
Sanitary Landfill	$158,315.30	$131,125.07	$19,250.79
Rural Fire Special Equipment	$167,525.42	$209,525.42	$0.00
Wireless/Landline 911	$191,794.13	$206,713.21	$2,445.62
Medical Cafeteria Plan	$6,392.98	$7,205.26	$2,732.67
State of KS Hazmat Grant	$2,204.26	$2,204.26	$0.00
Register of Deeds Technology	$27,890.29	$29,375.80	$0.00
Exhibit/Livestock Building	$1,600.00	$1,600.00	$0.00
Concealed Weapon	$2,253.59	$2,253.59	$0.00
Health Care Sales Tax	$1,146,116.70	$1,064,144.52	$235,125.93
Treasurer Technology	$15,478.09	$15,856.15	$0.00
Clerk Technology	$7,705.34	$6,703.16	$1,370.16
Fair Donation	$4,627.99	$4,627.99	$0.00
Econ Dev Micro Loan	$38,879.00	$39,085.00	$4,950.00
Municip Fight Addiction	$13,056.26	$14,754.98	$0.00
LACTF	$49,058.61	$49,058.61	$0.00
Motor Vehicle	$23,882.96	$32,102.23	$23.99
Prosecuting Attorney	$12,112.07	$12,688.44	$0.00
Special Prosecutors Trust	$21,651.91	$21,651.91	$0.00
Federal Asset Forfeiture	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Sheriff Asset Forfeiture	$61,944.16	$54,592.35	$7,351.81
Special Law Enforcement Trust	$19,914.05	$20,268.25	$0.00
Seizure Holding Fund	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Rural Fire General	$205,942.19	$145,210.38	$46,519.50
Rural Fire Bond & Interest	$11,679.37	$11,679.37	$0.00

KNOW YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

The following officials are locally-elected representatives for WaKeeney City Council, Collyer City Council, USD #208 School Board, Trego County elected positions, and State & US officials

WaKeeney City Council

WaKeeney City Council meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month, 6:15 p.m. at WaKeeney City Hall - Council Chambers
Meetings are also live streamed on the City of WaKeeney Facebook page

- **Irene Dirks** — *Mayor* — Term to 2028
- **Brent Deines** — *Council Member* — Term to 2030
- **Curtis Flax** — *Council Member* — Term to 2028
- **Courtney Berning** — *Council Member* — Term to 2030
- **David Anderson** — *Council Member* — Term to 2030
- **Shane Pfeifer** — *Council Member* — Term to 2028

USD 208 Board of Education

USD 208 BOE meets the 2nd Monday of each month, 5:30 p.m. at Trego Grade School Conference Room

- **Clayton Wilson** — *President* — Term to 2028
- **Eric Kinderknecht** — *Board Member* — Term to 2028
- **Becky Windholz** — *Board Member* — Term to 2028
- **Seth Albers** — *Vice President* — Term to 2030
- **Carey Fose** — *Board Member* — Term to 2030
- **Unfilled** — *Unexpired 2-yr term* — Term to 2028
- **Ashley Conness** — *Board Member* — Term to 2030

Collyer City

Collyer City Council meets the 1st Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the City Building

- **Larry Walt** — *Mayor* — Term to 2028
- **Robert Hardman** — *Council Member* — Term to 2028
- **Jennifer Ricker** — *Council Member* — Term to 2028
- **Jeff Knop** — *Council Member* — Term to 2030
- **Adam Schneider** — *Council Member* — Term to 2030
- **Lane Keith** — *Council Member* — Term to 2030

Trego County Commission

Trego County Commission meets every Tuesday and the last day of each month, 5:00 p.m. at the Trego Co. Courthouse - Commission Room, WaKeeney

- **Kurtis Brock** — *Chairman, Dist. 1* — Term to 2027
- **Jerry White** — *Commissioner, Dist. 2* — Term to 2029
- **Jared Hager** — *Commissioner, Dist. 3* — Term to 2029

Trego County Officials

- **Edward Pritchard** — *Sheriff* — Term to 2029
- **Lori Augustine** — *Clerk* — Term to 2029
- **Renee Neff** — *Treasurer* — Term to 2029
- **Abraham Pfannenstiel** — *Attorney* — Term to 2029
- **Brenda Brock** — *Register of Deeds* — Term to 2029
- **Richard Hanks** — *Dist. Magistrate Judge* — Term to 2027
- **Adam Wilson** — *Appraiser* — Apointed
- **Tiffany Gillespie** — *Clerk of Dist Court* — Appointed

Voters in Trego Co.

US House Kansas District 1
Senate District 40
House of Representatives District 118

US Senate

- **Jerry Moran** — *Senator* — Hays: 785-628-6401
- **Dr. Roger Marshall** — *Senator* — Salina: 785-829-9000

US House of Rep.

- **Tracey Mann** — *US House, KS-1* — Dodge City office: 620-682-7340

KS Senate

- **Rick Billinger** — *Dist. 40* — Email rick.billinger@senate.ks.gov

KS House of Rep.

- **Jim Minnix** — *Dist. 118 Represent.* — Email: Jim.Minnix@house.ks.gov
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