Legal Notices

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Published August 13, 20, 27, 2026.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, KS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

GARY R. EDWARDS, DECEASED.

Case No. CRP-2026-PR-000075

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THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that on August 7, 2026, a Petition was filed in this Court by Lori L. Edwards, surviving spouse and one of the heirs of Gary R. Edwards, deceased, requesting Lori L. Edwards be appointed as Administrator and she be granted Letters of Administration.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before September 9, 2026, at 9:00 o'clock AM at the Crawford County Judicial Center, 602 North Locust, Pittsburg, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of the first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Lori L. Edwards, Petitioner.

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CITY OF GIRARD – ORDINANCE 1406

Published August 27, 2026.

CITY OF GIRARD
ORDINANCE NO 1406
LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT AGAINST THE LOTS OR PARCELS OF LAND ON WHICH EXISTED WEEDS, OBNOXIOUS VEGETABLE GROWTH, REMOVAL OF STRUCTURE, OR FOR PURCHASE OF MATERIALS FROM THE CITY OF GIRARD, KANSAS, TO PAY THE COSTS OF

CUTTING, REMOVING SAID GROWTH, REMOVAL OF STRUCTURE OR PURCHASE OF MATERIALS:

WHEREAS, the Girard City Council and/or Code Compliance Officer for the City of Girard, Kansas, did issue and cause to be served on the owner(s), or occupants(s), or person(s) in charge of the lot or parcel of land, written notice to cut the said lot or parcel of land described herein, and to reimburse the City for materials purchased and/or used, and

WHEREAS, after the owner(s), occupant(s), or person(s) in charge neglected or failed to comply with the written notice to cut and remove said weeds or obnoxious vegetable growth, repair or remove structure, or pay for the materials purchased, the City proceeded to cut and remove said weeds or obnoxious vegetable growth, razed and removed structure from said lot or parcel of land, or pay for materials purchased and/or used and

WHEREAS, a statement for costs and expenses or removing said weeds or obnoxious vegetable growth, removal of structure and purchase of materials was mailed to the owner(s), or occupant(s), or person(s) in charge of such property and such has not been paid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GIRARD, KANSAS THAT:

For the purpose of paying the costs and expenses incurred by the City in cutting or removing said weeds or obnoxious vegetable growth, removal of structure from said lot or parcel of land, or purchasing of materials, there is hereby levied against the following described real estate in Crawford County, Kansas:

Section 1: 019362402018003000 West Addition, E 65' Lt 2, Blk 5 and to the City of Girard, located at 309 W Buffalo St. Demolition done December 19, 2025. The cost and expenses incurred: Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars ($7825.00)

Section 2: 019136240101 1004000 Perrys East Addition, W 16' Lt 7 and all Lots 8,9, Blk 6 and to the City of Girard, located at 601 E Forest Ave. Demolition done October 16, 2025. The cost and expenses incurred: Two Thousand Fifty Dollars ($2050.00)

Section 3: 019136240301301 0000 Hulls Addition, W I/2 Lt 10, Blk 6, and to the City of Girard, located at 104 West Willow St. Notice of violation was sent and after failure to comply, the city did cause weeds or obnoxious growth to be cut June 3,2026. The costs and expenses incurred: Five Hundred Fifty Dollars ($550.00)

Section 4: 019136240400601 5000 South Addition, Blk 2, Lt 5 and to the City of Girard, located at 409 S Cherokee St. Demolition done. January 25, 2023. The cost and expenses incurred: Four Hundred Twenty-One Dollars. ($421.00)

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF GIRARD, KANSAS, THIS 24th DAY OF AUGUST 2026.

Signed: Nick Cheney, Mayor.

Attested: Heather A Ryan, CMC, City Clerk.

State of Kansas
Budget Form USD-A

USD #248
2026-2027

Notice of Hearing 2026-2027 Budget

The governing body of Unified School District 248 will meet on the 10th day of September 2026 at 7:05 PM at 415 N. Summit, Girard, KS 66743 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information, including budget profile, building needs assessment and Board state assessments review is available at District Office on the district website and will be available at this hearing.

The Amount of 2026 Tax to be Levied and Expenditures (published below) establish the maximum limits of the 2026-2027 Budget. The 'Est. Tax Rate' (column 7), shown for comparative purposes, is subject to slight change depending on final assessed valuation.

		2024-2025 Actual		2025-2026 Actual		2026-2027 Proposed Budget		
	Code 99 Line	Actual Expenditures (1)	Actual Tax Rate* (2)	Actual Expenditures (3)	Actual Tax Rate* (4)	Budgeted Expenditures (5)	Amount of 2026 Tax to be Levied (6)	Est. Tax Rate* (7)
OPERATING								
General	06	9,737,880	20.000	10,122,417	20.000	10,123,144	843,053	20.000
Supplemental General (LOB)	08	3,040,187	15.320	3,171,867	16.946	3,308,760	950,952	16.316
SPECIAL REVENUE								
Federal Funds	07	874,150		413,678		368,534		
Adult Education	10	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Preschool-Aged At-Risk	11	13,954		39,407		70,227		
Adult Supplemental Education	12	0		0		0		
At-Risk Education Fund	13	1,714,849		1,661,243		1,725,084		
Bilingual Education	14	22,984		25,654		30,862		
Virtual Education	15	17,250		17,334		33,600		
Capital Outlay	16	646,412	7.990	1,389,239	8.000	2,525,000	466,278	8.000
Driver Training	18	5,907		5,283		9,350		
Declining Enrollment	19	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Extraordinary School Program	22	0		0		0		
Food Service	24	777,492		840,327		969,700		
Professional Development	26	13,076		42,535		50,000		
Parent Education Program	28	27,500		28,750		31,000		
Summer School	29	0		0		0		
Special Education	30	1,754,965		1,754,188		2,003,909		
Cost of Living	33	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Career and Postsecondary Education	34	404,403		493,537		530,000		
Gifts and Grants	35	460,954		416,482		0		
Special Liability Expense Fund	42	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	45	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Reserve Fund	47	0		0				
KPERS Special Retirement Contribution	51	842,239		844,969		996,007		
Contingency Reserve	53	0		45,510				
Textbook & Student Material Revolving	55	4,574		273,803				
Activity Fund	56	38,641		0				
DEBT SERVICE								
Bond and Interest #1	62	1,671,650	10.328	1,520,074	8.958	1,516,231	528,683	9.071
Bond and Interest #2	63	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	66	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Assessment	67	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Temporary Note	68	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
COOPERATIVES[1]								
Special Education	78	0		0		0		
TOTAL USD EXPENDITURES	100	22,069,067	53.638	23,106,297	53.904	24,291,408	2,788,966	53.387
Less: Transfers	105	4,583,983		4,069,242		3,994,600		
NET USD EXPENDITURES	110	17,485,084		19,037,055		20,296,808		
TOTAL USD TAXES LEVIED	115	2,600,371		2,744,873		2,788,966		

1. Sponsoring District Only

**Tax Rates are expressed in Mills*

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OTHER								
Historical Museum	80	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board/District	82	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	83	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Recreation Commission	84	60,000	0.984	62,500	0.988	65,500	58,288	1.000
Rec Comm Emp Benefits & Spec Liab	86	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
TOTAL OTHER	120	60,000	0.984	62,500	0.988	65,500	58,288	1.000
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	125	$2,653,632		$2,800,993		$2,847,254		
Assessed Valuation - General Fund	128	$38,855,376		$40,950,718		$42,152,647		
Assessed Valuation - All Other Funds	130	$54,127,642		$56,803,257		$58,284,785		
Assessed Valuation - Capital Outlay	129	$53,551,159		$55,784,514		$58,284,785		
Outstanding Indebtedness, July 1		2024		2025		2026		
General Obligation Bonds	135	8,420,000		6,845,000		5,480,000		
Capital Outlay Bonds	140	0		0		0		
Temporary Note	145	0		0		0		
No-Fund Warrant	150	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	153	0		0		0		
TOTAL USD DEBT	155	8,420,000		6,845,000		5,480,000		

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Lori Johnson
Board President

Randee Hanks
Clerk of the Board

Exceeding Revenue Neutral for the 2026-2027 School Year

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Revenue Neutral

	2025-2026				2026-2027	
	Actual Taxes Levied (1)	Actual Tax Rate (2)	Revenue Neutral Taxes (3)	Revenue Neutral Tax Rate (4)	Proposed Taxes to be Levied (5)	Proposed Tax Rate (6)
General	$819,014	20.000	$819,014	19.429	$843,053	20.000
ALL OTHER FUNDS						
Supplemental General (LOB)	$962,589	16.946	$962,588	16.492	$950,952	16.316
Adult Education	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Capital Outlay	$454,426	8.000	$446,276	7.816	$466,278	8.000
Cost of Living	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Special Liability Expense Fund	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Bond and Interest #1	$508,844	8.958	$508,844	8.718	$528,683	9.071
Bond and Interest #2	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Special Assessment	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Temporary Note	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Historical Museum	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Public Library Board/District	$0	0.000			$0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	$0	0.000			$0	0.000

Revenue Neutral Calculation

Total Taxes Levied Including General Fund	$2,744,873	53.904	$2,736,722	52.455	$2,788,966	53.387
Total Taxes Levied Excluding General Fund	$1,925,859	33.904	$1,917,708	33.026	$1,945,913	33.387

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State of Kansas Recreation Commission 2026-2027

NOTICE OF REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE HEARING AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of

Girard Public Recreation Commission

will meet on September 9th, 2026 at 6:30 PM at USD #248 District Office, 415 N Summit, Girard, KS hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at USD #248 District Office and will be available at this meeting.

SUPPORTING COUNTIES

Crawford (home county) Neosho, Bourbon

BUDGET SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

The proposed budget year expenditure amount is the maximum expenditure limit for the proposed budget

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2024/2025	Current Year Estimated 2025/2026	Proposed Budget Year 2026-2027
General	46,564	89,765	152,000
General			
Totals	46,564	89,765	152,000

Lease Purchases:	2023	2024	2025
July 1,	0	0	0

Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988	*0.962*
Total Proposed Estimated Tax Rate	*1.000*

Brian Norton
Recreation Commission Secretary