

Wednesday, October 4, 2023  
2:00 p.m.  
Newkirk, OK

The Kay County Excise Board met in a special session at 2:00 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, in the Commissioners Room of the Kay County Administration Building in Newkirk, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting was posted on September 29, 2023, at 8:50 a.m. at the Commissioners Room, west entrance of the Kay County Administration Building in Newkirk, Oklahoma, and on the Kay County Website.

Chairman Steve Austin called the meeting to order. Members: Jeff Wilson, Vice-Chairman, present; Rod Reese, Member, present. Others present were as follows: Brian Hermanson, Kay County District Attorney (DA); Rhonda Stephens, Kay County Treasurer; Janell Leaming, Kay County Assessor; Marilee Thornton, Kay County Court Clerk; Steve Kelley, Kay County Sheriff; Carol Leaming, Kay County Election Board Secretary; Brenda Medlock, OSU Extension; Buddy Carroll, County Budgeting Services, LLC; Claude Williams, Taxpayers for Transparency; Tammy Reese, Secretary/Kay County Clerk.

This portion of the meeting was a joint meeting with the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC).

2023/2024 Estimate of Needs and Financial Statement of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023, Sinking Schedules June 30, 2023, and Sinking Fund Estimate of Needs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024, for Kay County: Buddy Carroll, Budget Maker started by telling both boards he came into the business by working with his dad at a young age and has since been in the business a long time. He said the county had a decrease of approximately \$14 million from last year, \$5 million in public service, and he noted personal property was down also.

Carroll said the appropriations were approved at \$14.8 million, excess in assets of \$9.1 million with an anticipated tax collection of \$5.6 million; he said the estimate of needs were met and stated the county was in good shape. Assessor Leaming said the windmill values have reached their cap and will continue to depreciate; she said be prepared for a decrease again next year.

Excise Board Member Rod Reese asked the Assessor if in the future she anticipated the repowering of the wind towers. Assessor Leaming said possibly. He also asked how the three-panel protest (Court of Tax Review) for the counties was going. Assessor Leaming said Kay County did not have any protest this year and she was not sure how that was going.

BOCC left the meeting.

Motion was made by Reese and seconded by Wilson approving the 2023/2024 Estimate of Needs and Financial Statement of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023, Sinking Fund Schedules June 30, 2023, and Sinking Fund Estimate of Needs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024, for Kay County, Kay County Health Department, and Kay County Cities/Schools. Motion carried: Reese, aye; Wilson, aye; Austin, aye.

Motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Reese approving and acknowledging the Kay County Tax Levies for 2023-2024. Motion carried: Reese, aye; Wilson, aye; Austin, aye.

Motion was made by Reese and seconded by Wilson to adjourn (2:53 p.m.). Motion carried: Reese, aye; Wilson, aye; Austin, aye.

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Approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023.

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STEVE AUSTIN, CHAIRMAN

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JEFF WILSON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

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ROD REESE, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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TAMMY REESE, COUNTY CLERK  
COUNTY OF KAY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
SECRETARY, COUNTY EXCISE BOARD  
(SEAL)

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(Exhibits to follow)