

# Feature Accident



The crew at the Elmwood Park Speedway responded to the first accident of the season on Saturday. Two hobby stock feature cars were involved in the crash, which brought the races to a short stop. The cars were totaled, but the drivers were not injured. —Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

## Almena investigation continues

The Norton County Sheriff's Department is investigating a burglary in Almena. The investigation started after a resident reported he had thousands of dollars missing from his home.

Thomson said several suspects and witnesses have been interviewed. He said there were multiple thefts. Sheriff Thomson said Wal-Mart has provided assistance to

the investigation. "Wal-Mart has provided us with video and still photography. With the evidence from Wal-Mart and the interviews we believe that it will ultimately lead to several arrests in the case," he said.

## Tips for students with a summer job

Many students get a summer job during their time off from school. Here are the top seven things the IRS wants everyone to know about income earned while working a summer job.

1. Taxpayers fill out a W-4 when starting a new job. This form is used by employers to determine the amount of tax that will be withheld from your paycheck.
2. Taxpayers with multiple summer jobs will want to make sure all their employers are withholding an adequate amount of taxes to cover their total income tax liability. To make sure your withholding

3. Many students do odd jobs over the summer to make extra cash. Earnings you received from self-employment are subject to income tax. These earnings include income from odd jobs like babysitting and lawn mowing.
4. If you have net earnings of

\$400 or more from self-employment, you will also have to pay self-employment tax. This tax pays for your benefits under the Social Security system. Social Security and Medicare benefits are available to individuals who are self-employed the same as they are to wage earners who have Social Security tax and Medicare tax withheld from their wages. The self-employment tax is figured on Form 1040, Schedule SE.

5. Subsistence allowances paid to ROTC students participating in advanced training are not taxable. However, active duty pay such as pay received during summer advanced camp is taxable.

6. Special rules apply to services you perform as a newspaper carrier or distributor. You are a direct seller and treated as self-employed for federal tax purposes if you meet the following conditions:

- ✓ You are in the business of delivering newspapers.
  - ✓ All your pay for these services directly relates to sales rather than to the number of hours worked.
  - ✓ You perform the delivery services under a written contract which states that you will not be treated as an employee for federal tax purposes.
7. Generally, newspaper carriers or distributors under age 18 are not subject to self-employment tax.

## Accident Reports

- July 17**  
Michael Callaway's vehicle rear-ended Viola Rozinski's vehicle on S. State Street. Mr. Callaway did not know he hit Mrs. Rozinski and left the scene. He returned with Sheriff's Deputy Larry Land.
- July 18**  
Tyce Bruton struck another vehicle on Archer Street
- July 20**  
Darlene McEwen was stopped at the intersection of Highway 36 and N. Second Street when she pulled into the intersection her vehicle struck Angela Greeno's vehicle. Mrs. Greeno was injured

- and taken by ambulance to Norton County Hospital.
- July 22**  
Lari Nickell's vehicle struck Mable Bohl's vehicle when she failed to see Mrs. Bohl's parked car. Mrs. Bohl's rear driver-side door was damaged.
- July 23**  
Earline Gibson's rear driver-side window was broken by an unknown object on S. Wabash.
- July 24**  
Esther Ward's vehicle was caught by a fence pole when it backed out of a gate on E. Taft Street. Mrs. Ward's vehicle was damaged.

## Notice of Budget Hearing for Northwest Kansas Library System

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### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of Northwest Kansas Library System will meet on the 12th day of August, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. at Pioneer Memorial Library, Colby, Kansas 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 is available at Northwest Kansas Library System, Norton, Kansas and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2010 Expenditures and Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax\* establish the maximum limits of the 2010 budget. Estimated Tax Rate\* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	2008		2009		Proposed Budget 2010		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	337,778	0.995	360,495	0.937	360,495	323,789	1.084
Employee Benefits	15,997	0.058	20,127	0.055	24,227	19,004	0.064
Total	353,775	1.053	380,622	0.992	384,722	342,793	1.148
Total Tax Levied	335,097		342,793		342,793		
Assessed Valuation	318,191,432		348,431,616		298,731,165		

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

Leslie Bell  
Systems Director

## Notice of Budget Hearing for the City of Lenora

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### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of the City of Lenora will meet on the 17th day of August, 2009 at 7:00 P.M., at the City office for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of 2009 ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at City Clerk's office and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2010 Expenditures and the Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2010 budget. Est Tax Rate\* is subject to change depending on final assessed valuation.

Fund	2008		2009		Proposed Budget 2010		
	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Current Year Estimate of	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2009 Ad Valorem Tax	Est Tax Rate*
General	167,549	34.656	174,444	33.021	174,445	69,229	39.531
Employee Benefits	26,699	11.262	31,717	10.756	31,717	22,488	12.841
Cemetery	5,541	0.513	11,700	0.492	11,750	873	0.498
Library	4,600	1.996	5,150	1.996	5,150	4,178	2.385
Fire	8,756	4.624	14,628	4.421	14,628	9,243	5.278
Streets & Highways	44,790	10.048	33,584	9.613	53,584	20,090	11.472
Water	45,669		82,884		62,490		
Sewer	18,014		19,258		20,258		
Solid Waste	29,592		35,488		35,538		
Special Parks & Recreation	0		4,286		4,287		
Non-Budgeted Funds	22,149						
Totals	373,359	63.099	413,139	60.299	413,847	126,099	72.005
Less: Transfers	32,704		82,888		61,344		
Net Expenditures	340,655		330,251		352,503		
Total Tax Levied	125,690		125,966				
Assessed Valuation	1,991,953		2,089,045		1,751,268		
<b>Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1</b>							
	2007	2008	2009				
Revenue Bonds	248,437	231,974	209,852				
Lease Purchase Principal	51,688	32,489	27,067				
Total	300,125	264,463	236,919				

\* Tax Rates are expressed in mills.

Gayle James  
City Clerk

## Notice of Budget Hearing for the City of Norcatour

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### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of City of Norcatour will meet on the 17th day of August, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at Norcatour City Office 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 Norcatour City Office and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2010 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2009 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2010 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2008		Current Year Estimate for 2009		Proposed Budget for 2010		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Estimate Tax Rate*
General	36,430	23.333	37,000	31.664	37,500	16,721	27.791
Debt Service	20,840	8.296	12,975	4.883	17,425	6,506	10.813
Employee Benefits	5,154	4.748	5,000	6.675	6,000	3,761	6.251
Library	1,516	2.112	1,566	2.072	1,566	1,328	2.207
Special Highway	5,968		2,000		9,094		
Water	26,402		20,000		24,500		
Sewer	3,453		4,000		25,000		
Solid Waste	11,114		12,000		12,000		
Totals	110,877	38.489	94,541	45.294	133,085	28,316	47.062
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	110,877		94,541		133,085		
Total Tax Levied	22,543		26,870		26,870		
Assessed Valuation	585,695		593,232		601,673		
<b>Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1.</b>							
	2007	2008	2009				
G.O. Bonds	75,000	70,000	60,000				
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0				
Other	0	0	0				
Lease Purchase Principal	0	0	0				
Total	75,000	70,000	60,000				

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

City Official Date