

# Bear gets a joyride in Toyota

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DENVER (AP) — A bear got into an empty car, honked the horn and then sent it rolling 125 feet into a thicket, with the bear still inside, a Colorado family said.

Seventeen-year-old Ben Story said he and his family were asleep in their Larkspur home, 30 miles south of Denver, when the bear managed to open the unlocked door of his 2008 Toyota Corolla early July 23 and climbed inside.

A peanut butter sandwich left on the back seat is probably what attracted the bear, Story said.

It's not unusual for bears to open unlocked doors to cars and houses in search of food, said Tyler Baskfield, a spokesman for the Colorado Division of Wildlife. "It happens all the time," he said. "They're very smart."

Once inside, the bear must have knocked the shifter on the automatic transmission into neutral, sending the car rolling backward down the inclined driveway and into the thicket, trapping the bear inside, Story said.

Neighbors had called 911, and deputies freed the bear by opening the door with a rope from a distance. It then ran into the woods.

Story said he'll need a new car because the bear trashed the interior while trying to find a way out.

Baskfield said such incidents are worrisome because they endanger the bear as well as the public. Wildlife managers trap and kill problem bears that learn to scavenge for human food and garbage.

## Public Notice

The Governing Body of Colby Recreation Commission will meet on Monday, August 9th, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of funds.

Detail budget information is available at and will be available at this meeting.

### BUDGET SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

The Proposed Budget Expenditures (below) are the maximum expenditure limits for the budget year.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2009	Current Year Estimated 2010	Proposed Budget Year 2011
General	242,844	204,129	225,933
Totals	242,844	204,129	225,933
<b>Lease Purchase:</b>			
Principal Balance @ Beg of FY			

Recreation Commission Secretary

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## Public Notice

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of Colby Cemetery District #1 Thomas County will meet on August 16, 2010 at 2:00 PM at Thomas County Commissioners' Room 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 Relda Galli's residence at 2491 County Rd Dd, Gern, KS 67734 and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual 2009		Current Year Estimate for 2010		Proposed Budget Year for 2011	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax
General	96,377	1.678	190,000	0.292		87,030
Debt Service						
Employee Benefit		0.275		0.135		
Totals	96,377	1.953	190,000	0.427	0	87,030
Less: Transfers	0		0		0	
Net Expenditure	96,377		190,000		0	
Total Tax Levied	111,278		25,093		xxxxxxx	
Assessed Valuation	56,968,245		58,965,159		61,446,712	

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1,	2008	2009	2010
	G.O. Bonds	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
No-Fund Warrant	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

A.D. Deaver, Chairman

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## Public Notice

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

2011

The governing body of Smith Township Thomas County

will meet on August 18, 2010 at 7:00 PM at Rexford Community Building 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 Mark Anderson, 1959 County RD 36, Rexford KS and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2009		Current Year Estimate 2010		Proposed Budget 2011	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax
General	23,111	11.897	44,500	14.019	34,842	6,150
Road					49,256	27,256
Special Machinery						15,520
Totals	23,111	11.897	44,500	14.019	84,098	33,406
Less: Transfers	0		0		0	2,512
Net Expenditure	23,111		44,500		84,098	
Total Tax Levied	32,322		32,557		82,334	
Total Assessed Valuation	2,376,414		2,322,339		2,448,114	
Township Assessed Valuation Only					1,756,184	

Township Officer

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## Public Notice

2011

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of West Hale Township Thomas County

will meet on August 16, 2010 at 8:00 PM at Brewster City Building 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 Brian Eicher, 213 County RD Q, Colby KS and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2009		Current Year Estimate 2010		Proposed Budget 2011	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax
General	9,136	1.627	8,066	1.956	7,675	6,873
Debt Service						
Road	17,508	10.448	16,653	10.672	20,650	19,529
Special Road						
Special Machinery						
Totals	26,644	12.075	24,719	12.628	28,325	26,402
Less: Transfers	2,224		1,541		0	
Net Expenditure	24,420		23,178		28,325	
Total Tax Levied	21,508		21,547		3,879,933	
Total Assessed Valuation	3,931,989		3,631,571		1,664,920	
Township Assessed Valuation Only						

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## Public Notice

2011

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of South Randall Township Thomas County

will meet on August 13, 2010 at 7:00 AM at Colonial Steakhouse 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 Bob Ottley's residence at 3344 County Rd D, Oakley, KS 67748 and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2009		Current Year Estimate 2010		Proposed Budget 2011	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax
General	74,796	12.069	84,513	12.659	30,895	3,612
Road					86,875	72,875
Non-Budgeted Funds	77,549					
Special Machinery						
Totals	152,345	12.069	84,513	12.659	117,770	76,487
Less: Transfers	0		0		0	
Net Expenditure	152,345		84,513		117,770	
Total Tax Levied	75,039		76,487		5,936,631	
Total Assessed Valuation	6,217,568		6,042,280		5,781,909	
Township Assessed Valuation Only						

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1,	2008	2009	2010
	G.O. Bonds	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur Princ	93,726	93,447	79,653
Total	93,726	93,447	79,653

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Bob Ottley, Treasurer

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## Public Notice

2011

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of Summers Township Thomas County

will meet on August 9, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. at Thomas County Office Complex 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 Bert Stramel, 1267 Hwy 25, Colby KS and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2009		Current Year Estimate 2010		Proposed Budget 2011	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax
General	15,832	3.929	9,175	1.349	15,305	10,293
Debt Service						
Road	63,000	13.213	79,800	13.080	91,302	68,341
Employee Benefit	6,824	0.788	7,600	1.617	8,700	6,954
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Special Machinery						
Totals	91,683	18.563	103,275	17.722	125,697	92,588
Less: Transfers	19,119		25,000		20,000	
Net Expenditure	72,564		78,275		105,697	
Total Tax Levied	82,334		92,588		xxxxxxx	
Assessed Valuation:						
Township	4,435,394		5,224,905		5,812,223	

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Bert Stramel, Treasurer

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