

Board of Education Tax Request Hearing  
Monday, September 8, 2025 5:45 PM Mountain  
Dundy County Stratton High School  
P.O. Box 586  
400 9th Avenue West  
Benkelman, NE 69021-0586

1. **Call to Order and Notice of Open Meetings Act**

Procedural Item

1. The Board of Education reserves the right to enter into Closed/Executive Session for 1) the protection of the public interest or 2) the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, and the individual has not requested a public meeting. When making a motion to enter into Closed/Executive Session, the member making such a request should be as specific as possible keeping the previously listed stipulation in consideration.
2. If the Board is in agreement, a motion may be to enter into Closed/Executive Session to 1) discuss a personnel matter or 2) for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individual, or 3) to discuss litigation and for the protection of the public interest.
3. Action Concerning Matters Discussed in Executive Session.

2. **Roll Call**

Procedural Item

3. **Verification of publication and notice**

Consent Item

To verify that notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Benkelman Post, a legal newspaper for Dundy County Stratton and by written notice to each member of the board, the designated method of giving notice.

Motion for the verification Passed with a motion by Shad Stamm and a second by Nick Ladenburger.

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| Jennifer Fries:   | Yea |
| Nick Ladenburger: | Yea |
| Kent Lorens:      | Yea |
| Cole Lutz:        | Yea |
| Sandy Noffsinger: | Yea |
| Lindsay Stamm:    | Yea |
| Shad Stamm:       | Yea |

4. **Tax Request Hearing**  
Information Item

The president declares the hearing open.

The board is holding a hearing for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request.

## Notice of Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request

Dundy County Stratton Public School (29-0117) in Dundy, Hitchcock, Hayes County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 77-1632, that the governing body will meet on the 8th day of, September 2025 at 5:45 o'clock PM, at Jr/Sr High Media Center for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

|                     | 2024-2025     | 2025-2026     | Change |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|--------|
| Property Valuations | 1,106,989,038 | 1,194,740,704 | 8%     |

### 2024-2025 Budget Information

### 2025-2026 Budget Information

| Fund                                                         | 2024-2025<br>Operating Budget | 2024-2025<br>Property Tax<br>Request | 2024<br>Tax Rate | Property Tax Rate<br>(2024-2025 Request<br>Divided By<br>2025 Valuation) | 2025-2026<br>Operating Budget | 2025-2026<br>Proposed Property<br>Tax Request | Proposed<br>2025<br>Tax Rate | Change<br>in Tax<br>Rate | Change in<br>Operating<br>Budget |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>General Fund</b>                                          | 11,879,777.00                 | 5,466,277.00                         | 0.493797         | 0.457528                                                                 | 11,918,856.00                 | 5,628,283.00                                  | 0.471088                     | -5%                      | 0%                               |
| <b>Bond Fund(s) K - 12</b>                                   |                               |                                      | 0.000000         | 0.000000                                                                 | -                             | -                                             | 0.000000                     | 0%                       | 0                                |
| <b>Bond Fund(s) K - 8</b>                                    |                               |                                      | 0.000000         | 0.000000                                                                 |                               |                                               | 0.000000                     | 0%                       | 0                                |
| <b>Bond Fund(s) 9 - 12</b>                                   |                               |                                      | 0.000000         | 0.000000                                                                 |                               |                                               | 0.000000                     | 0%                       | 0                                |
| <b>Bond Fund _____</b>                                       |                               |                                      | 0.000000         | 0.000000                                                                 |                               |                                               | 0.000000                     | 0%                       | 0                                |
| <b>Special Building Fund</b>                                 | 967,900.00                    | 666,667.00                           | 0.060223         | 0.055800                                                                 | 1,643,437.00                  | 742,424.00                                    | 0.062141                     | 3%                       | 70%                              |
| <b>Qualified Capital Purpose<br/>Undertaking Fund K - 12</b> | 247,997.00                    |                                      | 0.000000         | 0.000000                                                                 | 247,997.00                    | -                                             | 0.000000                     | 0%                       | 0%                               |
| <b>Qualified Capital Purpose<br/>Undertaking Fund K - 8</b>  |                               |                                      | 0.000000         | 0.000000                                                                 |                               |                                               | 0.000000                     | 0%                       | 0                                |
| <b>Qualified Capital Purpose<br/>Undertaking Fund 9 - 12</b> |                               |                                      | 0.000000         | 0.000000                                                                 |                               |                                               | 0.000000                     | 0%                       | 0                                |
| <b>Total</b>                                                 | 13,095,674.00                 | 6,132,944.00                         | 0.554020         | 0.513328                                                                 | 13,810,290.00                 | 6,370,707.00                                  | 0.533229                     | -4%                      | 5%                               |

5. **Closure of hearing**  
Action Item

As this is a hearing the president closes the hearing.