NEBRASKA AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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State Auditor

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November 7, 2025

Butler Township Platte County
20259 250th Avenue
Columbus, NE 68601-

RE: Butler Township Platte County

Dear Board:

We have received and reviewed the audit waiver request for the Butler Township Platte County for the fiscal year 2025. **The 2025 audit waiver request has been approved.**

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (402) 471-2111.

Sincerely,

Mark Avery, CPA
Assistant Deputy Auditor
Subdivision Audit Review Coordinator

2025-2026
STATE OF NEBRASKA
GENERAL BUDGET FORM

Butler Township

TO THE COUNTY BOARD AND COUNTY CLERK OF
Platte County

This budget is for the Period July 1, through June 30

Upon Filing, The Entity Certifies the Information Submitted on this Form to be Correct:

The following **PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX** is requested for the ensuing year:

$	44,727.00	A1	Property Taxes for Non-Bond Purposes
		A2	Principal and Interest on Bonds
$	44,727.00	A3	**Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required**

Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness as of July 1

	-	A4	Principal
	-	A5	Interest
$	-	A6	**Total Bonded Indebtedness**

210,684,642	A7	**Total General Fund Certified Valuation (All Counties)**

*(Certification of Valuation(s) from County Assessor **MUST** be attached)*

County Clerk's Use ONLY

Budget Document To Be Used As Audit Waiver?

My Subdivision has elected to use this Budget Document as the Audit Waiver.
(If YES, Board Minutes MUST be Attached)

[X] YES [ ] NO

If **YES**, Column 2 **MUST** contain **ACTUAL** Numbers.

If YES, DO NOT COMPLETE/SUBMIT SEPARATE AUDIT WAIVER REQUEST.

Report of Joint Public Agency & Interlocal Agreements

Was this Subdivision involved in any Interlocal Agreements or Joint Public Agencies for the reporting period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[ ] YES [X] NO

*If **YES**, Please attach Interlocal Agreement Report.*

Report of Trade Names, Corporate Names & Business Names

Did the Subdivision operate under a separate Trade Name, Corporate Name, or other Business Name during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[ ] YES [X] NO

*If **YES**, Please attach Trade Name Report.*

APA Contact Information

Auditor of Public Accounts
PO BOX 98917
Lincoln, NE 68509

Telephone: (402) 471-2111 **FAX:** (402) 471-3301

Website: auditors.nebraska.gov

Questions - E-Mail: Jeff.Schreier@nebraska.gov

Submission Information

Budget Due by 9-30-2025

Submit budget to:

1. Auditor of Public Accounts -Electronically on Website or Mail
2. County Board (SEC. 13-508), C/O County Clerk

Butler Township in Platte County

Line No.	TOTAL ALL FUNDS	Actual 2023 - 2024 (Column 1)		Actual/Estimated 2024 - 2025 (Column 2)		**Adopted Budget 2025 - 2026** (Column 3)	
1	**Beginning Balances, Receipts, & Transfers:**						
2	Beginning Net Cash Balance	$ 7,380.00	B1	6,557.00	B29	17,824.00	B57
3	Investments	$ -	B2	-	B30	-	B58
4	County Treasurer's Balance	$ 347.00	B3	193.00	B31	256.00	B59
5	**Subtotal of Beginning Balances** (Lines 2 thru 4)	**7,727.00**	B4	**6,750.00**	B32	**18,080.00**	B60
6	Personal and Real Property Taxes **(Columns 1 and 2 - See Preparation Guidelines)**	$ 33,080.00	B5	$ 35,082.00	B33	$ 43,850.00	B61
7	Federal Receipts	$ -	B6	$ 3,234.00	B34	$ -	B62
8	State Receipts: Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate **(To Lid Supporting Schedule, page 4)**	$ 111.00	B7	$ 113.00	B35	$ 115.00	B63
9	State Receipts: State Aid	$ -	B8	$ -	B36	$ -	B64
10	State Receipts: Other	$ 721.00	B9	$ 760.00	B37	$ -	B65
11	State Receipts: Property Tax Credit	$ 2,793.00	B10	$ 3,428.00	B38		
12	Local Receipts: Nameplate Capacity Tax	$ -	B11	$ -	B39	$ -	B66
13	Local Receipts: In Lieu of Tax **(To Lid Supporting Schedule, page 4)**	$ -	B12	$ -	B40	$ -	B67
14	Local Receipts: Other	$ 452.00	B13	$ 528.00	B41	$ 275.00	B68
15	Transfers In Of Surplus Fees **(To Lid Supporting Schedule, page 4)**	$ -	B14	$ -	B42	$ -	B69
16	Transfer In Other Than Surplus Fees (Should agree to Transfers Out on Line 28)	$ -	B15	$ -	B43	$ -	B70
17	**Total Resources Available** (Lines 5 thru 16)	**44,884.00**	B16	**49,895.00**	B44	**62,320.00**	B71
18	**Disbursements & Transfers:**						
19	Operating Expenses	$ 29,306.00	B17	$ 28,884.00	B45	$ 32,700.00	B72
20	Capital Improvements (Real Property/Improvements)	$ -	B18	$ -	B46	$ -	B73
21	Other Capital Outlay (Equipment, Vehicles, Etc.)	$ -	B19	$ -	B47	$ 22,000.00	B74
22	Debt Service: Bond Principal & Interest Payments	$ -	B20	$ -	B48	$ -	B75
23	Debt Service: Payments to Retire Interest-Free Loans **(Public Airports)**	$ -	B21	$ -	B49	$ -	B76
24	Debt Service: Payments to Bank Loans & Other Instruments **(Fire Districts)**	$ -	B22	$ -	B50	$ -	B77
25	Debt Service: Other	$ 8,828.00	B23	$ 2,931.00	B51	$ 2,931.00	B78
26	Judgments	$ -	B24	$ -	B52	$ -	B79
27	Transfers Out of Surplus Fees	$ -	B25	$ -	B53	$ -	B80
28	Transfers Out Other Than Surplus Fees (Should agree to Transfers In on Line 16)	$ -	B26	$ -	B54	$ -	B81
29	**Total Disbursements & Transfers** (Lines 19 thru 28)	**38,134.00**	B27	**31,815.00**	B55	**57,631.00**	B82
30	**Balance Forward/Cash Reserve** (Line 17 - Line 29)	**6,750.00**	B28	**18,080.00**	B56	**4,689.00**	B83
31					Cash Reserve Percentage	13%	B84

PROPERTY TAX RECAP

Tax from Line 6	43,850.00	B85
County Treasurer's Commission at 2% of Line 6	877.00	B86
Total Property Tax Requirement	**44,727.00**	B87

CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION

ENTITY OFFICIAL ADDRESS

If no official address, please provide address where correspondence should be sent

NAME	**Don Lant**
ADDRESS	**20259 250th Avenue**
CITY & ZIP CODE	**Columbus, Nebraska 68601**
TELEPHONE	**402-564-3865**
WEBSITE	

	BOARD CHAIRPERSON	CLERK/TREASURER/SUPERINTENDENT/OTHER	PREPARER
NAME	Tommy Wemhoff	Steve Ziemba	James L. Bogus
TITLE /FIRM NAME	Chairperson	Clerk	Certified Public Accountant
TELEPHONE	402-942-4359	402-276-3259	402-564-0772
EMAIL ADDRESS			jbogus2@neb.rr.com

For Questions on this form, who should we contact (please √ one): Contact will be via email if supplied.

- [ ] Board Chairperson
- [ ] Clerk / Treasurer / Superintendent / Other
- [X] Preparer

NOTE: If Budget Document is used as an Audit Waiver, approval of the Audit Waiver will be sent to the Board Chairperson via email. If no email address is supplied for the Board Chairperson, notification will be mailed via post office to address listed above.

Butler Township in Platte County

2025-2026 LID SUPPORTING SCHEDULE

Line No.	Calculation of Restricted Funds				
(1)	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirements			44,727.00	C1
(2)	Motor Vehicle Pro-Rate			115.00	C2
(3)	In-Lieu of Tax Payments			-	C3
(4)	Transfers of Surplus Fees			-	C4
	Prior Year Budgeted Capital Improvements that were excluded from Restricted Funds.				
(5)	Prior Year Capital Improvements Excluded from Restricted Funds (From 2024-2025 Lid Exceptions, Line (10))	-	C5		
(6)	**LESS:** Amount Spent During 2024-2025	-	C6		
(7)	**LESS:** Amount Expected to be Spent in Future Budget Years	-	C7		
(8)	Amount to be included as Restricted Funds (**Cannot be a Negative Number**)			-	C8
(8a)	Nameplate Capacity Tax			-	C9
(9)	**TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS (A)**			**44,842.00**	C10

	Lid Exceptions				
(10)	Capital Improvements Budgeted (Purchase of Real Property and Improvements on Real Property)	-	C11		
(11)	**LESS:** Amount of prior year capital improvements that were excluded from previous lid calculations but were not spent and now budgeted this fiscal year *(cannot exclude same capital improvements from more than one lid calculation.)* Agrees to Line (7).	-	C12		
(12)	Allowable Capital Improvements			-	C13
(13)	Bonded Indebtedness			-	C14
(14)	Public Facilities Construction Projects (Statute 72-2301 to 72-2308) **(Fire Districts & Hospital Districts Only)**			-	C15
(15)	Interlocal Agreements/Joint Public Agency Agreements			-	C16
(16)	Public Safety Communication Project - Statute 86-416 **(Fire Districts Only)**			-	C17
(16a)	Benefits Paid Under the Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act **(Fire Districts & Airport Authorities Only)**			-	C18
(17)	Payments to Retire Interest-Free Loans from the Department of Aeronautics **(Public Airports Only)**			-	C19
(18)	Judgments			-	C20
(19)	Refund of Property Taxes to Taxpayers			-	C21
(20)	Repairs to Infrastructure Damaged by a Natural Disaster			-	C22
(21)	**TOTAL LID EXCEPTIONS (B)**			-	C23

TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS **For Lid Computation (To Line 9 of the Lid Computation Form)** *To Calculate: Total Restricted Funds (A)-Line 9 MINUS Total Lid Exceptions (B)-Line 21*	**44,842.00**	C24

*Total Restricted Funds for Lid Computation **cannot** be less than zero. See Instruction Manual on completing the Lid Supporting Schedule.*

Butler Township
in
Platte County

LID COMPUTATION FORM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

PRIOR YEAR RESTRICTED FUNDS AUTHORITY OPTION 1 OR OPTION 2

OPTION 1

Prior Year Restricted Funds Authority = Line (8) from last year's Lid Computation Form	D1	43,511.18
		Option 1 - (1)

OPTION 2

Only use if a vote was taken at a townhall meeting last year to exceed Lid for one year

Line (1) of Prior Year Lid Computation Form	D2	-
		Option 2 - (A)
Allowable Percent Increase **Less** Vote Taken (Prior Year Lid Computation Form Line (6) - Line (5))	D3	- %
		Option 2 - (B)
Dollar Amount of Allowable Increase Excluding the vote taken (Line (A) times Line (B))	D4	-
		Option 2 - (C)
Calculated Prior Year Restricted Funds Authority (Line (A) Plus Line (C)) =	D5	-
		Option 2 - (1)

CURRENT YEAR ALLOWABLE INCREASES

1 **BASE LIMITATION PERCENT INCREASE (2.5%)** — D6: 2.50 % — (2)

2 **ALLOWABLE GROWTH PER THE ASSESSOR MINUS 2.5%** — D7: - % — (3)

4,066,055.00	/	194,651,256.00	=	2.09 %
2025 Growth per Assessor		2024 Valuation		Multiply times 100 To get %

3 **ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT BOARD APPROVED INCREASE** — D8: 1.00 % — (4)

3	/	3	=	100.00 %
# of Board Members voting "Yes" for Increase		Total # of Members in Governing Body at Meeting		Must be at least .75 (75%) of the Governing Body

ATTACH A COPY OF THE BOARD MINUTES APPROVING THE INCREASE.

4 **SPECIAL ELECTION/TOWNHALL MEETING - VOTER APPROVED % INCREASE** — D9: - % — (5)

Please Attach Ballot Sample and Election Results OR Record of Action From Townhall Meeting

TOTAL ALLOWABLE PERCENT INCREASE = Line (2) + Line (3) + Line (4) + Line (5)	D10	3.50 %
		(6)
Allowable Dollar Amount of Increase to Restricted Funds = Line (1) x Line (6)	D11	1,522.89
		(7)
Total Restricted Funds Authority = Line (1) + Line (7)	D12	45,034.07
		(8)
Less: Restricted Funds from Lid Supporting Schedule	D13	44,842.00
		(9)
Total Unused Restricted Funds Authority = Line (8) - Line (9)	D14	192.07
		(10)

LINE (10) MUST BE GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO ZERO OR YOU ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE LID LAW.

The amount of Unused Restricted Funds Authority on Line (10) must be published in the Notice of Budget Hearing.

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE AND ALLOWABLE GROWTH VALUE

(format for all political subdivisions other than (a) sanitary improvement districts in existence five years or less, (b) counties, (c) cities, (d) school districts and (e) community colleges.)

TAX YEAR 2025

(certification required on or before August 20th, of each year)

TO: BUTLER TOWNSHIP
DON LANT
20259 250 AVE
COLUMBUS NE 68601

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF: PLATTE

Name of Political Subdivision	Subdivision Type (e.g. fire, NRD, ESU)	Allowable Growth Value	Total Taxable Value
BUTLER TWP	Township	4,066,055	210,684,642

** Allowable Growth Value is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-518 which includes (a) improvements to real property as a result of new construction and additions to existing buildings, (b) any other improvements to real property which increase the value of such property, (c) annexation of real property by the political subdivision, (d) a change in the use of real property, (e) any increase in personal property valuation over the prior year, and (f) the accumulated excess valuation over the redevelopment project valuation described in section 18-2147 of the Community Redevelopment Law for redevelopment projects within the political subdivision in the year immediately after the division of taxes for such redevelopment project has ended.*

I KARI URKOSKI, PLATTE County Assessor hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 13-509 and 13-518.

Kari S. Urkoski
(signature of county assessor)

8-14-25
(date)

CC: County Clerk, PLATTE County
CC: County Clerk where district is headquarter, if different county, _____ County

Note to political subdivisions: A copy of the Certification of Value must be attached to the budget document.

Guideline form provided by Nebraska Dept. of Revenue Property Assessment Division (July 2025)

Assessor's Use Only 9,173,293 Pers Prior 185,478,848 Real Prior
12,849,248 Pers Value 198,583,394 Real Value

Butler Township Meeting 4/7/25

ATTENDEES Steve Ziemba,Don Lant,Tommy Wemhoff

1.Meeting started at 7:05 pm. Opened by Tommy.

Meeting notices were posted at T-Bone #2,Post Office,Duncan Town Hall. Open Meeting Act Law was available for review.

2. Steve read the minutes of the previous meeting.Don made a motion to approve the minutes as read.Tommy 2nd the motion.A vote was taken and passed 3-0.Motion approved.

3. Don went over the treasure report for March.Tommy made a motion to approve the treasure report as read.Steve 2nd the motion. A vote was taken and passed 3-0.Motion approved.

4. Don presented the following bills to be paid.Don $879.73-Steve $593.75-Tommy $100-.Steve made a motion to pay the bills.Tommy 2nd the motion.A vote was taken and passed 3-0.Bills were paid.

5. Tommy made a motion to adjourn the meeting.Steve 2nd the motion.A vote was taken and passed 3-0.Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Butler Township Budget MEETING 9/2/25

ATTENDEES

Steve Ziemba, Don Lant, Tommy Wemhoff, No Visitors

1. Meeting started at 7:15 pm at the Duncan Village Hall. Opened by Tommy.

Meeting notices were posted at T-Bone #2,Duncan Post Office, Duncan Town Hall,and the Columbus Telegram. Open Meeting Act Law is available for review.

2. Steve made a motion to discuss the publisher's "Affidavit of Publication" of the budget hearing notice for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.Tommy 2nd the motion. The motion was discussed. A vote was taken and the motion was approved by a 3-0 vote.

3. Don made a motion to discuss the budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.Steve 2nd the motion.The motion was discussed.A vote was taken and the motion was approved by a 3-0 vote.

4. Don made a motion to discuss the audit waiver request.Tommy 2nd the motion.The motion was discussed.A vote was taken and the motion was approved by a 3-0 vote.

5. Steve made a motion to discuss an additional 1% increase above the allowed 2.5%.Don 2nd the motion.The motion was discussed.A vote was taken and the motion was approved by a 3-0 vote.

6. Don will send a form of the 2025-2026 State of Nebraska General Budget and a copy of the notice in the Columbus Telegram to the Auditor of Public Accounts in Lincoln,Ne and one to the County Clerk at the Platte County Courthouse.

7.Tommy made a motion to adjourn the budget meeting.Don 2nd the motion.A vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.by a 3-0 vote.

*** Proof of Publication ***

Newspaper: COLUMBUS TELEGRAM

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
County of Platte) SS.

BUTLER TOWNSHIP
DON LANT
20259 250TH AVENUE
COLUMBUS, NE 68601

ORDER NUMBER 1262102

Joe Volcek, being duly sworn, deposes and says she/he is a Clerk of the Columbus Telegram, a legal newspaper printed and published daily Tuesday-Saturday in Platte County, State of Nebraska and of general circulation in Platte County; that said newspaper has a bona fide circulation published within said county for more than 52 successive weeks immediately prior to the first date of the published notice, and is produced in an office maintained at the place of publication.

This affidavit is a true and correct copy of notice which appeared in said newspaper. The notice was

Section: Class Legals
Category: 0099 LEGALS
PUBLISHED ON: 08/29/2025

TOTAL AD COST:	42.14
FILED ON:	9/4/2025

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 4th day of Sept, 2025

Michelle L Greeley Notary Public

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
MICHELLE L. GREELEY
My Comm. Exp. June 7, 2028

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

Butler Township
IN
Platte County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 2nd day of September 2025, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at Duncan Village Hall for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk during regular business hours.

2023-2024 Actual Disbursements & Transfers	$	38,134.00
2024-2025 Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	$	31,815.00
2025-2026 Proposed Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	$	57,631.00
2025-2026 Necessary Cash Reserve	$	4,689.00
2025-2026 Total Resources Available	$	62,320.00
Total 2025-2026 Personal & Real Property Tax Requirement	$	44,727.00
Unused Budget Authority Created For Next Year	$	192.07
Breakdown of Property Tax:		
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Non-Bond Purposes	$	44,727.00
Personal and Real Property Tax Required for Bonds	$	-

August 29, 2025 ZNEZ