

COUNTY RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-9

A resolution expressing the property taxation policy of the Board of Kiowa County Commissioners with respect to financing the 2014 annual budget for Kiowa County.

Whereas, K.S.A. 79-2925b provides that a resolution be adopted if property taxes levied to finance the 2014 Kiowa County budget exceed the amount levied to finance the 2013 Kiowa County budget, except with regard to revenue produced and attributable to the taxation of 1) new improvements to real property; 2) increased personal property valuation, other than increased valuation of oil and gas leaseholds and mobile homes; and 3) property which has changed in use during the past year, or with regard to revenue produced for the purpose of repaying the principal of and interest upon bonded indebtedness, temporary notes, or no-fund warrants; and

Whereas, budgeting, taxing and service level decisions for all county services are the responsibility of the board of county commissioners; and

Whereas, Kiowa County provides the essential services to protect the health, safety, and well being of the citizens of the county; and

Whereas, the cost of provision of these services continues to increase; and

Whereas, the 2013 Kansas State Legislature failed to fulfill its obligations in regard to the statutory funding of demand transfers and, by significantly limiting state revenue sharing payments to counties, has contributed to higher county property tax levies to finance the 2014 Kiowa County budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Kiowa County Commissioners that is our desire to notify the public of the possibility of increased property taxes to finance the 2014 Kiowa County budget due to the above mentioned constraints, and that all persons are invited and encouraged to attend budget meeting conducted by the Board of Kiowa County Commissioners. The date and time of budget hearings with the Board of Kiowa County Commissioners will be published in the Kiowa County Signal (newspaper). Interested persons can also address questions concerning the budget to the County Clerk's office by calling 620-723-3366 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Fridays, excluding holidays.

Adopted this 16 day of July, 2013 by the Board of Kiowa County

Commissioners.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

John W. Clark
Bert Lowrey
Ronald Freeman

ATTEST:

Kustie Odle
, County Clerk