

2021 Atchison city budget approved

(KAIR)--The 2021 Atchison city budget has been finalized.

Unanimous approval of the budget came during a special meeting Monday of the Atchison City Commission.

The budget contains an estimated tax rate of 58.050 mills, which is unchanged from this year's mill levy.

The total revenue generated by the city in 2021 through taxes, assessments, charges for services and fees is expected to be \$7.9 million.

Total planned expenditures are nearly \$25.3 million, up 3.3 percent from this year.

City Manager Becky Berger said the spending plan allows for improved service levels, slightly increases residents' out-of-pocket property tax obligations, budgets for adequate fund balances, provides needed capital improvements and equipment purchases, while accounting for revenue decreases related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Commission also approved the 2020 Strategic Plan, which is a culmination of months of strategic planning activities and exercises.

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