

Proposed 2023 Brown Co budget approved for publication

(KNZA)--The Brown County Commission has approved for publication a proposed 2023 budget of nearly \$12.6 million that calls for a slight mill levy decrease.

The Commission took the action Monday on a 2-1 vote. Commissioner Bill Pollock casting the lone dissenting vote, objecting to the inclusion of funding for economic development.

The budget contains an estimated tax rate of 31.89 mills, a .269 mill decrease over the 2022 budget.

The proposed budget calls for the county to collect more than \$7 million in local tax revenue.

Even though the mill levy will decrease slightly, the county will collect nearly \$276,000 in additional tax revenue due to a nearly \$11 million increase in the county's assessed valuation.

The commission will consider adoption of the budget following a public hearing at their August 31 meeting. The commission will also hold a separate hearing at the meeting on their intent to exceed the state imposed revenue neutral rate.

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