

RESOLUTION NO. 1200

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROPERTY TAXATION POLICY OF THE BOARD OF ATCHISON COUNTY WITH RESPECT TO FINANCING THE 2002 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR ATCHISON COUNTY, ATCHISON COUNTY, KANSAS.

WHEREAS, budgeting, taxing, and services level decisions for all services are the responsibility of the Atchison County Board; and

WHEREAS, the ad valorem property tax is a primary source of revenue for financing services; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Atchison County Board to minimize the property taxes used to finance services at the lowest possible level, while exercising our stewardship responsibility to maintain basic services for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Atchison County Board that, to the extent possible within the context of the needs of residents, a 2002 budget for Atchison County will be adopted that does not require property taxes to be levied for purposes in an amount exceeding an amount levied to finance the 2001 Atchison County budget, except with regard to revenue produced and attributable to the taxation of 1) new improvements to real estate; 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, despite the desire of the Atchison County Board to adopt a 2002 budget while adhering to a maximum level of property taxation described in the foregoing paragraph, the residents of Atchison County are to be aware that the 2002 Atchison County budget *may require* property taxes to be levied in an amount greater than the level defined in the desired maximum level defined in the preceding paragraph, due to 1).due to increase cost due to providing services to the public, such as bridges, roads, ambulance and other operating services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Atchison County that it is our desire to notify the public of the possibility of increased property taxes to finance the 2002 Atchison County budget as defined above.

Adopted this 10th day of September, 2001 by the Atchison County Board of Commissioners, Atchison County, Kansas.

Atchison County Commissioner Board

George Ross, Jr.
George Ross, Jr. Chairman
Mike Cavanaugh
Mike Cavanaugh Member
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Floyd Oswald, Member

Attest: *Pauline M. Lee*
Pauline M. Lee, County Clerk

