

Work nearing completion on 2012-13 county budget

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COUNTY LEVY ALLOCATIONS		
Allocation of levy authority in Dawson County's 14 political subdivisions was approved by resolution of the commissioners on Aug. 31. The subdivision levies are all part of the county's overall levy authority. None of the allocations includes bond funding.		
The subdivisions and budget requests are as follows:		
Political subdivisions	2012-13	2011-12
Dawson County Ag. Society	\$228,165	\$228,165
Cozad Hospital District	\$214,200	\$214,200
Gothenburg Hospital District	\$173,969	\$173,969
No. 2 Fairview Cemetery District	\$6,500	\$6,820
No. 3 Cottonwood Cemetery District	\$2,875	\$2,125
No. 4 Platts Valley Cemetery District	\$6,140	\$5,368
No. 5 Mount Hope Cemetery District	\$3,900	\$3,900
No. 6 (unannexed) Cemetery District	\$7,758	\$7,476
No. 1 Lexington Fire District	\$76,156	\$72,457
No. 3 Denton Fire District	\$26,024	\$38,476
No. 4 Gothenburg Fire District	\$51,888	\$48,427
No. 7 Cozad Fire District	\$45,278	\$42,283
No. 8 Edenville Fire District	\$15,006	\$13,251
Railroad Transportation Safety District	\$206,322	\$186,620
Total	\$1,916,877	\$989,558

Numbers have nearly fallen into place for Dawson County's 2012-13 budget.

The first official steps were completed Friday during the county board's regular bimonthly meeting.

Commissioners approved levy allocations for the 14 political subdivisions with taxing authority.

The total of the allocations is up just over \$27,000 from \$989,558 last year to \$1.02 million for a 2.76% increase.

The Railroad Transportation Safety District request increased almost \$10,000 for the highest dollar increase with Lexington, Gothenburg and Cozad fire district also asking for more funds.

The levy allocations for the taxing entities represent only a small portion of the overall county budget and are a minimal portion of the total tax bill paid by Dawson County residents.