



STEELE COUNTY RESOLUTION

2026 Tax Levy and Budget

Department: Finance Department

Date: 12/16/2025

Resolution No: 2025-068

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 275.065 requires the County Board to adopt a final property tax levy, and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 275.065 requires the County Board to conduct a public hearing prior to the adopting of its final property tax levy, and

WHEREAS, the budget requests, revenue projections, levy data and needs of Steele County have been duly considered, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Steele County Board of Commissioners approves the following 2026 tax levy totaling \$31,708,481. The 2026 tax levy and budget are detailed as follows:

	<u>Tax Levy</u>	<u>Budget</u>
General Government	\$ 29,282,672	\$ 39,335,927
Opioid Settlement	-	100,000
Road & Bridge	2,898,158	31,292,488
Ditch Fund	-	300,000
Bixby Sewer District	-	11,940
Bonded Debt	1,078,950	1,078,950
Capital Improvements	1,030,389	6,286,389
Landfill	-	4,953,925
Other Trust Funds	-	300
	<u>34,290,169</u>	<u>83,359,919</u>
SUBTOTAL		
Public Library	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>
(excluding cities of Owatonna and Blooming Prairie)		
TOTAL TAX LEVY	34,490,169	
Less: County Aid	<u>(2,781,688)</u>	TOTAL
TOTAL CERTIFIED TAX LEVY	<u>\$ 31,708,481</u>	CERTIFIED
		BUDGET
		<u>\$ 83,559,919</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Minnesota State Statutes allow less than 105% of the current principal and interest due, provided sufficient funds have been accumulated for the applicable debt payments and because sufficient funds are unavailable, the debt service levy will be increased as indicated in the table below:

	<u>Scheduled Levy</u>	<u>Proposed Levy</u>
2020A - G.O. CIP Bond		
Detention Center HVAC & LED Lighting	\$ 335,350	\$ 352,117
2018A - G.O. CIP Bond		
Public Works Facility Construction	<u>743,600</u>	<u>780,780</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 1,078,950</u>	<u>\$ 1,132,897</u>

This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and without further publication.

The above resolution was presented by Commissioner Krueger who moved its adoption, duly seconded by Commissioner Abbe.

Upon the vote being taken there were 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 0 absent and not voting.

Dated this 16 day of December, 2025.

STEELE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

James Brady
Chair

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly passed, adopted, and approved by the County Board of said County on the 16 day of December, 2025.

Bernice
Attest