

MULLEN BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 8, 2025

Special Hearing to set the Final Tax Request for 2025-2026 and to Vote to Increase Base Growth Percentage to Determine Property Tax Request Authority Agenda

6:50 PM

1. Call to order, roll call, and excuse board member absences.
2. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the resolution increasing the Mullen Public School district's base growth percentage to be used to determine the the school district's property tax request authority by up to 7%.
3. Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request for 2025-2026 for Mullen Public Schools in Hooker County
4. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve Tax Resolution 2025-2026 to set the 2025-2026 property tax request for Mullen Public Schools.
5. Adjournment

Please follow the board meeting at <https://meeting.sparqdata.com/Public/Organization/393>

The Mullen Board of Education reserves the right to go into Closed Session for purposes in accordance with LB 84-1410(1)

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO
INCREASE BASE GROWTH PERCENTAGE TO
DETERMINE ITS PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education ("Board") for **Hooker County School District 46-0001**, commonly known as **Mullen Public Schools** (the "School District"), is planning the School District's annual budget for the 2025–2026 school year; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to maintain budget flexibility and to ensure the ability to secure adequate funding in the current or future school years so that the School District is in a position to meet its obligations to its students, the Board believes that it is prudent to increase the base growth percentage used to determine the School District's property tax request authority under NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-3403; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska law authorizes the Board, upon an affirmative vote of at least seventy percent (70%) of the Board, to increase such base growth percentage by up to 7%.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-3405(2), the Board hereby increases the base growth percentage used to determine its property tax request authority for the 2025–2026 budget in an amount of 7%

Said Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education by a vote of ____ to ____ on the 8th day of September, 2025.

President of the Board of Education

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Board of Education

Notice of Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request

Mullen Public Schools (46-0001) in Hooker County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 77-1632, that the governing body will meet on the 8th day of, September 2025 at 6:50 o'clock P.M., at Mullen Public Schools 6-12 Library for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

	2024-2025	2025-2026	Change
Property Valuations	734,623,484	780,327,134	6%

2024-2025 Budget Information

2025-2026 Budget Information

Fund	2024-2025 Operating Budget	2024-2025 Property Tax Request	2024 Tax Rate	Property Tax Rate (2023-2024 Request Divided By 2024 Valuation)	2025-2026 Operating Budget	2025-2026 Proposed Property Tax Request	Proposed 2025 Tax Rate	Change in Tax Rate	Change in Operating Budget
General Fund	5,100,814.72	3,175,847.00	0.432309	0.406989	5,466,034.59	3,128,283.00	0.400894	-7%	7%
Bond Fund	-	-	0.000000	0.000000	-	-	0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Special Building Fund	453,604.32	-	0.000000	0.000000	616,867.23	148,485.00	0.019029	#DIV/0!	36%
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 12	-	-	0.000000	0.000000	-	-	0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Total	5,554,419.04	3,175,847.00	0.432309	0.406989	6,082,901.82	3,276,768.00	0.419923	-3%	10%

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of Mullen Public Schools passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Mullen Public Schools resolves that:

1. The 2025-2026 property tax request be set at:

General Fund:	\$	3,128,283.00
Bond Fund:	\$	-
Special Building Fund:	\$	148,485.00
Qualified Capital Purpose	\$	-
Undertaking Fund:		

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year’s total assessed value by 6.22 percent.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.406989 per \$100 of assessed value.

4. Mullen Public Schools proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.419923 per \$100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Mullen Public Schools will increase (decrease) last year’s budget by 51.06 percent.

6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2025.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____ to adopt Resolution #2025-2026.

Voting yes were:

Voting no were:

Liza Simonson

Dane Peterson

Mike French

Casey Phillips

Patrick Wright

Michael Stichka

Dated this 8th day of September, 2025