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Streckenbach Announces Historic Financial Achievements
Brown County Executive Proposes 27-Cent Mill Rate Cut, Lowest in 3 Decades

(Brown County, Wis.) - Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach introduced his 2020 budget proposal, which provides a major property tax rate cut, putting the mill rate at its lowest level in over three decades.

“I am pleased to announce that my 2020 budget proposal is filled with historic achievements,” says Streckenbach. “It contains the largest community investment ever made in a single year, and slashes debt by an unprecedented \$11.9 million. In addition, it reduces our tax rate to levels not seen since the 1980s. These historic fiscal performances are due to the Debt Reduction, Infrastructure and Property Tax Relief Plan passed by the Brown County Board in 2017.”

The 2020 mill rate decreases by 27 cents, from \$4.45 to \$4.18, as proposed by the County Executive in the 2020 Brown County Annual Budget. This year alone, Brown County will reduce debt by over \$11.9 million, bringing our total outstanding debt down to \$81.8 million. In addition, the 2020 levy fell by over \$1 million, from \$92 million to \$91 million, despite Brown County seeing its net new construction grow by 1.7 percent and total value increase to more than \$23 billion.

Throughout the month of October, County Executive Streckenbach will be holding media events highlighting various initiatives as part of his 2020 budget proposal. The entire Brown County Board of Supervisors will be holding its annual budget hearing on November 6th at 9:00 a.m.

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