



**Kansas Municipal Energy Agency  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
May 27, 2021**

**Lifesize Virtual Meeting**

**Attendees:**

Director	City
Audree Aguilera	Altamont
Larry Berry	Anthony
Jim Sutton	Augusta
Tim Johnson	Augusta
Jeff Winkler	Baldwin City
Manny Milbers	Beloit
Max Krull	Blue Mound
Mark Campbell	Chapman
Debra Darnell	Chetopa
Jeff Acton	Cimarron
Mike Shook	Coffeyville
Tyson McGreer	Colby
Craig Collins	Dighton
Kent Pottorf	Garden City
Matt Ponzer	Gardner
Clifford Scales	Girard
Dustin Bedore	Goodland
Chris Douglass	Goodland
Branden Dross	Herington
Jonathan Mitchell	Hoisington
Kerwin McKee	Holton
Ira Harrison	Holton

Director	City
Matt Rehder	Iola
Michael Ort	Jetmore
Dong Quach	KC BPU
Ralph Streit	Larned
Jeff Ahring	Lincoln Center
Greg DuMars	Lindsborg
Lucas Neece	Lindsborg
Dean Cordes	Meade
Murray McGee	Moundridge
Rod Willis	Osage City
Dennis Tharp	Ottawa
Jeff Oleson	Ottawa
Dean Wineinger	Pomona
Jon Quinday	Russell
Duane Banks	Russell
Craig Crossette	Sterling
Jeff Scott	Stockton
Stacie Eichem	Wamego
Casey Frisbie	Wamego
Richard Applegarth	Washington
Roger Estes	Wellington

Others
Sarah Steele, Gilmore & Bell
Colin Hansen, KMU

KMEA Staff
Gerry Bieker
Paul Mahlberg
Katia Mitchell
Jennifer Moore
Joni Shadonix

**Item No. 1 – Call to Order**

President DuMars called the KMEA Lifesize Virtual Board of Directors meeting to order at 2:11 p.m. A quorum was present.

**Item No. 2 – Approve the Minutes of the October 29, 2020, Board of Directors meeting**

Brandon Dross made a motion to approve, as written, the minutes of the October 29, 2020 Board of Directors meeting. The motion was seconded by Michael Ort and carried unanimously.

**Item No. 3 – Take action to adopt Resolution No. 222, consenting to an additional member (Bronson); and approving and providing for the execution of an Amendment (30<sup>th</sup>) to the Agreement creating the Agency reflecting the addition of said member**

President DuMars announced that the City of Bronson has completed the necessary paperwork to become a member of KMEA.

Lucas Neece made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 222. The motion was seconded by Manny Milbers and carried unanimously.

**Item No. 4 – Approve the renewal of 1 Year Lines-of-Credit for EMP1, EMP2, and EMP3**

Jennifer Moore explained that historically, each of the three EMP's have purchased a Line of Credit from UMB Bank as protection for delayed payment or non-payment by one or more of the EMP members. Each Line of Credit has a maximum principal amount of \$1,250,000 (combined total of \$3,750,000) with a term of one year running from May 1 through April 30. Due to the uncertainty on payments resulting from the February cold weather event, Staff is working with UMB to increase the principal amount and combine the three Lines of Credit into one. In the meantime, the Board has approved an extension of the term of the current Lines of Credit from April 30 to June 30.

In addition, KMEA has an Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit in the amount of \$3,000,000 from UMB Bank issued to the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) to meet a portion of the collateral requirements, that automatically extends on an annual basis. Due to the anticipated increase in the collateral requirements with SPP after the February cold weather event, Staff is requesting that UMB Bank increase the amount to \$5,000,000.

UMB is in the process of evaluating our requests and once we receive the documents we will send a Written Ballot to the Board for consideration.

**Item No. 5 – Present Preliminary 2022 Annual Budget**

Jennifer Moore presented the Preliminary 2022 Annual Budget which now includes the Mid-States and Dighton Projects. Highlights included:

- Budget by Project (%) – 2021 vs 2022;
- Budget by Expense Type (%) – 2021 vs 2022;
- Project Budgets (\$) – 2021 vs 2022;
- Agency Cost/MWh – 2013 to 2022;
- Budget Revenue & Expenses (\$) – 2021 vs 2022

The final Budget will be presented to the Board for consideration in the fall. Please contact Jennifer if you need assistance with the energy portion of your 2022 budgets.

**Item No. 6 – General Manager Report**

Paul Mahlberg presented the General Manager Report, which included a recap of:

- Winter Storm Uri;
- February SPP Energy Emergency Alerts;
- February Natural Gas and Electric Prices;

- Outstanding Items related to the February Event;
- Going Forward – Action Items;
- KMEA Mid-States Update; and the
- Moundridge Project.

**Item No. 7 – Old Business**

None.

**Item No. 8 – New Business**

None.

**Item No. 9 – Announce date, time, and location for the next meeting of the KMEA Board of Directors Meeting**

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on September 30, 2021, at the Wichita Drury Hotel Broadview, in conjunction with the KMEA/KMGA Annual Conference. The exact time will be announced at a later date.

**Item No. 10 – Adjourn Meeting**

President DuMars thanked Board members for taking the time to attend today's meeting and adjourned the meeting at 2:56 p.m.



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Jonathan Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer