



**Kansas Municipal Gas Agency
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 30, 2021**

Lifesize Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

Director	City
LeaAnn Myers	Altamont
Tara Pierce	Argonia
Tim Johnson	Augusta
Jim Sutton	Augusta
Manny Milbers	Beloit
Leslie Holman	Burlingame
Kim Ryan	Burrtown
Danielle Young	Cheney
Mike Shook	Coffeyville
Chris Komarek	Ellinwood
Mike Bohn	Eskridge
Stephanie Graham	Eskridge
Kent Pottorf	Garden City
Matt Ponzer	Gardner
James DePriest	Garnett
Travis Wilson	Garnett
Ethan Reimer	Halstead
Gary Emry	Hesston
Scott Robertson	Hesston
Jonathan Mitchell	Hoisington

Director	City
Joanna Hunter	Howard
Jacob Thoman	Jamestown
Theresa Morlan	Kechi
Jodi Wade	LaCygne
Nathan Law	Louisburg
Chad Buckley	Lyons
Murray McGee	Moundridge
Rod Willis	Osage City
Dennis Tharp	Ottawa
Jeff Oleson	Ottawa
Jon Quinday	Russell
Duane Banks	Russell
John Wagerle	Sterling
Sally Johnson	Uniontown
Stacie Eichem	Wamego
Casey Frisbie	Wamego
Roger Estes	Wellington
Gus Collins	Winfield
Taggart Wall	Winfield

Staff
Gerry Bieker
Paul Mahlberg
Sam Mills
Matt Powell
Darren Prince
Dixie Riedel
John Seck
Joni Shadonix
DJ Smith
Gerry Stephenson
John Weber
Other
Jeff Winkler, Baldwin City
Patty Atchison, Burlingame
Jess Murphy, Girard
Cole Herder, Humboldt
Halley Roberson, Oberlin
Bryan Evans, Pratt
Sarah Steele, Gilmore & Bell
Brad Mears, KMU

Item No. 1 – Call to Order

President Gus Collins called the KMGA Lifesize Virtual Board of Directors meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. A quorum was present.

Item No. 2 – Approve the Minutes of the May 26, 2021 Board of Directors meeting

Duane Banks made a motion to approve, as presented, the minutes of the May 26, 2021 Board of Directors meeting. The motion was seconded by Ethan Reimer and carried unanimously.

Item No. 3 – Review and take action to adopt the 2022 Annual Budget

Paul Mahlberg presented the 2022 Annual Budget. Highlights included:

- Gas Cost Revenues increased due to higher natural gas prices
- Transportation Revenues increased due to Southern Star filed rate increase
- Management Fees/Dues – No change
- Transfer of funds from Reserves to balance budget
- KMEA Allocation of Costs to KMGa includes 2/3 of new position (Gas/Electric Controller) and removal of 24/7 Operations position
- Increase in Legal costs

Dennis Tharp made a motion to adopt, as presented, the 2022 Annual Budget. The motion was seconded by Rod Willis and carried unanimously.

Item No. 4 – Receive Nominating Committee Report and take action to elect Officers, At-Large and Joint Board Members

President Collins called upon Ethan Reimer, Chair of the Nominating Committee, to present the slate of candidates for this year’s elections. Cole Herder and Taggart Wall also served on this year’s Nominating Committee.

Ethan presented the following slate of candidates:

Officers (one-year term)

President – Gus Collins, City of Winfield

Vice President – Rod Willis, City of Osage City

Secretary/Treasurer – Mike Shook, City of Coffeyville

At-Large Members (two-year term)

Stephanie Ashby, City of Walton

Chad Buckley, City of Lyons

Joint Board Representative (two-year term)

Rod Willis, City of Osage City

President Collins called for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made. Duane Banks made a motion to cease nominations. The motion was seconded by Manny Milbers and carried unanimously. Dennis Tharp made a motion to accept, as presented, the slate of candidates for Officers, At-Large members, and Joint Board Representative. The motion was seconded by Murray McGee and carried unanimously.

Item No 5 – Gas Director Report

Dixie Riedel presented the Gas Director Report, which included:

- 2021 Daily Index Pricing
- 2021 vs 2020 Daily Index Pricing
- Natural Gas Production
- Increase in Export Volumes
- Storage Inventory
- NOAA Winter Forecast
- Winter 2021-2022 Henry Hub Prices
- Projected FOM Index Prices
- Winter Supply by Pipeline

Item No. 6 – General Manager Report

Paul Mahlberg presented the General Manager Report, which included:

- Winter Storm Uri Update –
 - Kansas Attorney General Efforts – RFP issued for legal services for natural gas recovery litigation attorney
 - Federal Energy Regulatory Commission – Review of preliminary report issued February 23
 - Senate Energy & Natural Resources – Hearing on September 28
 - Private Gas Providers – Proposed plans filed with KCC to recoup extraordinary costs
 - KMGGA Legal Fund – Review of funds collected, outstanding balances, legal expense to date, and current fund balance
- Southern Star Rate Case – Southern Star recently filed a rate case with FERC proposing significant rate increases to its transportation and storage rates; rates will be implemented November 1 subject to refund; KMGGA is participating under a joint defense with other entities and working in conjunction with other intervenors, KCC & FERC Staff; settlement discussions underway.

Item No. 7 – Old Business

None.

Item No. 8 – New Business

Presentation of KMGGA Annual Awards – President Collins called upon Rod Willis, Chair of the Awards Committee, to announce the recipients of the Ron Huxman Distinguished Service and Mike Gilliland Honor Awards. Typically, these awards are presented in-person during our Annual Conference. Since we switched from an in-person conference to a virtual conference staff will present the awards to each recipient at a future governing body meeting. Chair Willis thanked Chad Buckley, Stephanie Ashby, and Sarah Steele for serving on this year’s committee and announced the award winners as follows:

Ron Huxman Distinguished Service Award:

Gus Collins (City of Winfield)
Kimberly Svaty (Gencur Svaty Public Affairs)
Colin Hansen (KMU)

Mike Gilliland Honor Award

Brad Ewy (City of Cheney)
Terry Jantzen (City of Moundridge)

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

The next meeting of the KMGGA Board of Directors was tentatively scheduled for April 27, 2022, at the Hyatt Regency Wichita, in conjunction with KMU’s Annual Conference. The time of the meeting will be determined at a later date.

Paul announced the speakers/topics for the afternoon general and breakout sessions and thanked everyone for participating in today’s Board meeting.

Item No. 10 – Adjourn Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Shook", written over a horizontal line.

Mike Shook
Secretary/Treasurer