



Kansas Municipal Gas Agency  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 23, 2022

Committee Members	City	Present/ Absent	KMEA Staff	Other Attendees
Mike Shook	Coffeyville	Present	Laurie Brock	Sarah Steele, Gilmore & Bell
Ethan Reimer	Halstead	Present	Kay Forsen	
Nathan Law	Louisburg	Present	Paul Mahlberg	
Chad Buckley	Lyons	Present	Tyson McGreer	
Rod Willis	Osage City	Present	Dixie Riedel	
Stephanie Ashby	Walton	Present	Joni Shadonix	
Gus Collins	Winfield	Present	John Weber	

**Item No. 1 – Call the Meeting to Order**

President Gus Collins called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. via Lifesize. A quorum was present.

**Item No. 2 – Seek Approval of the following items:**

- **January 19, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Rod Willis made a motion to approve the January 19, 2022 Executive Committee meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mike Shook and carried unanimously.
- **Financials for the month of December 2021**  
John Weber presented the financials for the month of December 2021. He also reviewed the Net Equity chart, Delivered vs. Budget Volume chart, and Legal Fund spreadsheet.

Ethan Reimer made a motion to approve the December 2021 financials. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Ashby and carried unanimously.

**Item No. 3 – General Manager Report**

Paul Mahlberg provided the General Manager report, which included:

- **Staffing Update** – Tyson McGreer started as Manager, Member Services. Laurie Brock has agreed to stay on as Director, Finance & Accounting for about a year. The attorney position will be posted soon.
- **COVID Update** – We are still dealing with COVID contact/cases in the office.
- **Infrastructure Bill** – Tyson will be looking at the Infrastructure Bill. There is money set aside for municipally owned gas systems. We have been participating in webinars and have spoken with a consultant that could potentially help KMEA/KMGA members obtain these moneys. It will be several months before the rules are written. We will keep members updated as information becomes available.

- **Legislative activity in Topeka** – SB 480, a charitable giving bill which disallows, or caps expenditures related to dues, donations, or contributions from a utility, has been introduced into the utilities committee and applies to utilities across the board. KMEA, KMU, and Kimberly Svaty will be monitoring the bill closely.
- **City of Burlingame** – Paul recapped the discussions held on January 26<sup>th</sup> with representatives from the City of Burlingame.
- **Rate Recovery Plan Updates** – KGS, Black Hills, Atmos, Oklahoma Natural Gas, Centerpoint
- **Oklahoma Attorney General Update** – The OK AG will not pursue the February event any further.

#### **Item No. 4 – Gas Director Report**

Dixie Riedel provided the Gas Director report, which included:

- Purchased Volume (2020-2022)
- SSC, EGT & PEPL Daily Index Pricing (January 1<sup>st</sup>-February 22<sup>nd</sup>)
- SSC, EGT & PEPL Daily Index Pricing (Current vs Prior Year)
- February NYMEX Futures Contract
- NOAA's Temperature Forecast
- NYMEX Futures/SSC, EGT & PEPL Projected Index (March 2022-December 2023)
- Gas Purchase Recap for February 2022 Projected Usage Volumes for LDC's
- EIA Short Term Energy Outlook
- Recent freeze-offs
- Update on recent SSC available storage capacity posting

#### **Item No. 5 – Old Business**

None.

#### **Item No. 6 – New Business**

- **Pipeline Capacity Policy** – Dixie reviewed KMGGA's current Pipeline Capacity Policy that establishes an outline, process, and procedures for pipeline capacity utilized by non-capacity holders and suggested that we revisit the policy because the firm holders will be paying more transport costs when Southern Star's rate increase goes into effect on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Following discussion, staff was asked to bring a mark-up of recommended policy changes for consideration at the next meeting.
- **Risk Management Consulting Service** – Paul reviewed the proposal we received yesterday from The Energy Authority (TEA) related to our natural gas hedging and procurement policy. Following discussion, the Committee asked Paul to reach out to TEA to see if we can refine the scope/expectations to get to a price that would be more doable.

#### **Item No. 7 – Executive Session, if needed**

Stephanie Ashby made a motion for Executive Committee members, Paul Mahlberg, Dixie Riedel, and legal counsel to go into executive session for 10 minutes beginning at 11:23 a.m. to discuss matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, with the open meeting to resume at 11:33 a.m. The motion was seconded by Chad Buckley and carried unanimously. The executive session ended at 11:33 a.m. No action was taken.

#### **Item No. 8 – Discuss and set date, time, and location for the next Executive Committee Meeting**

The next KMGGA Executive Committee meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 23, 2022, in Halstead, KS.

**Item No. 9 – Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 11: 24 a.m.

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

Mike Shook  
Secretary/Treasurer