



**Kansas Municipal Gas Agency**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**June 27, 2024**

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Present/ Absent</b>	<b>KMGA Staff/Guests</b>
Tony Lawson	Coffeyville	Absent	Paul Mahlberg
Ethan Reimer*	Halstead	Present	Dixie Riedel
Gary Emry*	Hesston	Present	Mike Meyer
Nathan Law*	Louisburg	Present	Terri Pemberton
Rod Willis	Osage City	Present	Lisa Ferguson
Stephanie Ashby*	Walton	Present	Brooke Kistler
Gus Collins	Winfield	Present	Tyson McGreer
			Sam Mills
			Joe Owens (Garnett)
			Chester Moyer - RubinBrown

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

President Gus Collins called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., which was held at the Marriott Hotel in Overland Park and virtually. A quorum was present.

**Item No. 2 – Rubin Brown Presentations**

Chester Moyer of RubinBrown provided an overview of the 2023 audit for KMGA. Chester noted that the audit resulted in an Unmodified Opinion (a/k/a “clean audit”), which is the highest opinion given. Additional items of discussion were:

- One (1) accounts payable adjustment was deemed “immaterial”.
- The Management Letter stated there was a removal of “Significant Deficiency” from the 2023 audit due to changes Mike Meyer has implemented in quality control measures.

Ethan Reimer made a motion to accept the findings of the 2023 Audit Report. The motion was seconded by Nathan Law and passed unanimously.

Chester provided some options for future accounting review for the Executive Committee to consider: (1) continuation of the GAAP audit; (2) cash basis audit; or (3) an “agreed upon procedures” approach. After discussions on each of the options and costs, the Executive Committee agreed that the cash basis audit appeared to be a good option. Staff agreed to provide more information and recommendations for the next meeting.

**Item No. 3 – Seek approval for the following items:**

- **May 22, 2024 Executive Committee Meeting minutes**  
Rod Willis made a motion to approve the May 22, 2024 Executive Committee Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Nathan Law and carried unanimously.

- **May 2024 Appropriations Report**

Mike Meyer presented the May 2024 Appropriations Report. Nathan Law made a motion to approve the May 2024 Appropriations Report. Rod Willis seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

**Item No. 4 – Gas Director Report**

Dixie Riedel presented the Gas Director Report, which included:

- Purchased Volume (Jan 2022 – Dec 2024)
- Natural Gas Industry Update
- Daily Index Pricing (May 1, 2024 – June 21, 2024)
- Projected Pricing (July 2024 – Apr 2026)
- Fixed Pricing Oct 2024 – Apr 2026
- KMGGA’s annual Regional Meetings have been scheduled for 2024 and will take place in the Cities of Lyons (July 31<sup>st</sup>), Osage City (August 12<sup>th</sup>), Kechi (August 13<sup>th</sup>), and Humboldt (August 21<sup>st</sup>).

Dixie mentioned that the city of Garden Plain had reached out about becoming a member of KMGGA to be able to take advantage of the rates studies that we currently provide at no additional cost. Paul mentioned that the KMEA Strategic Plan includes a review of our fees and changes are being considered.

**Item No. 5 – General Counsel Report**

Terri Pemberton provided updates on the following topics:

- Southern Star (Farm Tap case)
- Uri – On the AG case, a schedule has been set, and Macquarie filed a motion to dismiss. AG will respond later this month. On the Foulston Class-action cases, a Phase 1 Schedule has been set. Additionally, the defendants filed motions to dismiss, and the plaintiffs’ responded. Motions are before the Court, but it’s unclear when a decision will be made.

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

Paul Mahlberg provided updates on the following topics:

- Former KMEA employee, Sam Mills, has come out of retirement to work for KMEA again on a part-time basis.
- The 2024 Annual Gathering has been tentatively scheduled for either Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> or Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. A Doodle poll will be sent out to the Executive Committees to determine which works best.

**Item No. 7 – Old Business**

There was no old business.

**Item No. 8 – New Business**

Due to Rod Willis’ retirement on June 28, 2024, there will be a vacancy on the Executive Committee. Paul Mahlberg said that Ethan Reimer has agreed to move from Secretary/Treasurer to Vice-President, and Gary Emry has agreed to move from “at-large” to Secretary/Treasurer. President Gus Collins nominated Katie Hodge to fill Gary’s “at-large” position. Nathan Law made a motion to move Ethan Reimer from Secretary/Treasurer to Vice-President of the Executive Committee, to move Gary Emry from “at-large” to Secretary/Treasurer of the Executive Committee, and to assign Katie Hodge to the now vacant “at-large” position on the Executive Committee. Gary Emry seconded this motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

President Collins, Paul Mahlberg, and others took a moment to thank Rod Willis for his dedicated service to KMGa over the years and to wish him well in his retirement.

**Item No. 9 – Executive Session**

There was no Executive Session needed.

**Item No. 10 – Discuss and set date, time, and location for the next Executive Committee Meeting**

The next Executive Committee Meeting will take place virtually on July 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

**Item No. 11 – Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.



Gary Emry