



Kansas Municipal Gas Agency  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 18, 2025

Committee Members	City	Present/ Absent	KMGA Staff/Guests
Tony Lawson	Coffeyville	Present	Paul Mahlberg
Ethan Reimer	Halstead	Present	Lisa Ferguson
Jason Thrasher	Hesston	Present	Terri Pemberton
Nathan Law	Louisburg	Absent	Dixie Riedel
Katie Hodge	Osage City	Present	Mike Meyer
Stephanie Ashby	Walton	Absent	Brooke Kistler
Gus Collins	Winfield	Present	Tyson McGreer

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

President Gus Collins called the virtual meeting to order at 10:31 a.m., which **was** held via Microsoft Teams. A quorum was present.

**Item No. 2 – Seek approval for the following items:**

- **January 22, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting minutes**  
Ethan Reimer made a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on January 22, 2025. The motion was seconded by Tony Lawson and carried unanimously.
- **January 2025 Appropriations Report**  
Mike Meyer presented the January 2025 Appropriations Report. Tony Lawson made a motion to approve the January 2025 Appropriations Report. Ethan Reimer seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.
- **Financial Results for End-of-Year December 2024**  
Mike Meyer presented the Financial Results for End-of-Year December 2024. Jason Thrasher made a motion to approve the Financial Results for End-of-Year December 2024. Tony Lawson seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

**Item No. 3 – Gas Director’s Report**

Dixie Riedel provided updates on the Natural Gas Industry market. She also mentioned that KMGA had recently presented at a council meeting in the City of Lyons and gave a presentation to the City of Neodesha’s commission on the benefits of KMGA membership, although the city ultimately contracted with another gas supplier. Dixie is currently putting together the schedule for this year’s four KMGA Regional meetings which she plans to get on the calendar sometime in April and May.

**Item No. 4 – General Counsel Report**

Terri Pemberton provided an update on Winter Storm Uri related to the AG and class-action lawsuits and said the AG has dismissed its federal and state litigation. Terri also provided an update on the KCC docket and mentioned that Black Hills Energy has filed a rate case and KMGA may reach out to member cities that have special contract rates to mitigate any potential impact of this action.

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

At last month's Executive Committee meeting, Paul Mahlberg presented a review of KMGAs Legal Fund, and interest was expressed by Committee members in making that fund permanent. Paul shared that KMGAs has had discussions on the matter and will have more information at next month's Executive Committee meeting.

Paul also asked the Executive Committee for feedback as to whether the KMGAs Board of Directors meeting this spring should be held in-person at the KMU conference or virtually on a different day. After a brief discussion the consensus was to hold the meeting virtually on a different day due to the time constraints involved with having the meeting at the KMU conference.

**Item No. 6 – Old Business**

- **Natural Gas Prepay Update**

Paul Mahlberg provided a Natural Gas Prepay Update and shared that KMGAs continues to work with two groups, Black Belt/Goldman Sachs and MMGA/JP Morgan, on a pre-pay option that wouldn't require back-to-back agreements with cities. With either group the pre-pay option would be a 30-year agreement. Staff continue to work to obtain the option for KMGAs to walk away if the discount isn't met after the initial period. This was allowed under the MMGA model in the past, but Black Belt doesn't currently allow that option. Paul also discussed off-ramps and other parameters and said while he's not looking for approval today, he is looking for direction from the Executive Committee on whether to pursue this opportunity. The Executive Committee directed Paul and KMGAs to move forward and continue to pursue this pre-pay option under the terms as presented.

**Item No. 7 – New Business**

- **Review of Cash Basis Audit**

Mike Meyer updated the Executive Committee on the status of the cash basis audit that Ruben Brown is currently performing for KMGAs and shared a preview of the main statement. The audit is expected to be completed in four to six weeks.

- **Review of Net Equity Fund Policy**

Paul Mahlberg highlighted the topic of KMGAs Net Equity Fund Policy and supplemented his presentation with a timeline of determining factors, the history of the fund, and information on the current policy including surcharge fees.

**Item No. 8 – Executive Session**

None.

**Item No. 9 – Discuss and set date, time, and location for the next Executive Committee Meeting**

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 10:30 a.m., in the City of Hesston, KS.

**Item No. 10 – Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

  
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Nathan Law