



**Kansas Municipal Gas Agency**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**April 30, 2025**

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

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

President Gus Collins called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., which was held virtually via Microsoft Teams. A quorum was present.

**Item No. 2 – Rubin Brown 2024 Audit Report Review**

Mike Meyer introduced Chester Moyer of RubinBrown who presented the 2024 Audit Review. Chester noted that KMGA’s audit changed from a GAAP audit format to a cash basis audit in 2024 and said that both are performed under the same standards, but the cash-based audit is more simplified and cost-effective. Chester shared that the 2024 audit resulted in an Unmodified Opinion (a/k/a “clean audit”), which is the highest opinion given, with the management letter stating there were “no material weaknesses”. Ethan Reimer made a motion to accept the 2024 Audit Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Tony Lawson and passed unanimously.

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

- **March 25, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
 Nathan Law made a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on March 25, 2025. The motion was seconded by Ethan Reimer and carried unanimously.
- **Appropriations Report for March 2025**  
 Mike Meyer presented the March 2025 Appropriations Report. Tony Lawson made a motion to approve the March 2025 Appropriations Report. Jason Thrasher seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.
- **Year to Date March 2025 Financial Results**  
 Mike Meyer presented the Year-to-Date March 2025 Financial Results. Ethan Reimer made a motion to approve the Year-to-Date March 2025 Financial Results. Tony Lawson seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Item No. 4 – Gas Director Report**

Dixie Riedel provided updates on usage history and the Natural Gas Industry market. She shared that supply has stayed consistent and on top of demand with prices only slightly higher than average. Dixie also talked about the impact that AI and related data centers are having on gas supply, due to the increasing need for gas to generate electricity for these systems. She then provided a reminder for this year’s four KMGAs Regional meetings, which will be held on various dates in May in Osage City, Humboldt, Cheney and Moundridge. In addition, Dixie reported that staff are reviewing critical notice language and methods of providing such notices to our members. WoodRiver Energy (WoodRiver) provides a service to send such notices via email and text messages that staff are considering.

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

On behalf of Terri Pemberton, Paul Mahlberg provided an update on the Winter Storm Uri class-action lawsuits; they were dismissed with prejudice. Foulston Siefkin did file an appeal, and they have until May 19<sup>th</sup> to file a response.

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

Paul Mahlberg provided a brief General Manager Report that included a reminder that the KMGAs Board of Directors meeting is taking place tomorrow morning at 10:30 a.m. and will include a presentation by Don Krattenmaker of WoodRiver. He also shared that today is the deadline for member cities to give notice to KMGAs of intent to terminate their gas acquisition contracts.

**Item No. 7 – Old Business**

- **Natural Gas Prepay Update**

Paul Mahlberg provided a Natural Gas Prepay Update and shared that KMGAs has now received updated contracts back from both Black Belt/Goldman Sachs and MMGA/JP Morgan, which staff will be reviewing in the coming weeks. In addition, Paul said the market’s not currently in a good place for pre-pay, although he acknowledged that conditions could change quickly. KMGAs hopes to have a recommendation for one of the two groups and a contract in hand for the Executive Committee to consider at next month’s meeting.

**Item No. 8 – New Business**

- **WoodRiver Contract Extension Discussion**

Paul Mahlberg provided the latest update on the WoodRiver contract extension. Paul reviewed with the Executive Committee that KMGAs initially signed a one-year contract with WoodRiver for the term of October 2023 to September 2024. In May 2024 the Executive Committee agreed to extend the WoodRiver contract for an additional 19 months, running through April 2026. In the meantime, staff have continued to explore other gas management options and have determined that WoodRiver is currently still the best gas management option for KMGAs, and they have received positive feedback from members. Staff are now recommending that the Executive Committee extend the WoodRiver contract for an additional 12 months to run through April 2027. Ethan Reimer made a motion to extend the contract with WoodRiver for an additional twelve months from May 2026 through April 2027. Tony Lawson seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Gus Collins asked the Executive Committee to consider the nomination of Tara Pierce from the city of Argonia to the Executive Committee as an at-large member to fill the remaining term left vacant by Stephanie Ashby, whose current term expires Fall 2025. Jason Thrasher made a motion to nominate Tara Pierce to at-large member of the Executive Committee to fulfill the remainder of Stephanie Ashby’s term. Tony Lawson seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Paul Mahlberg also mentioned that next month's Executive Committee meeting will be Tony Lawson's last meeting as a member of the Executive Committee, due to his impending retirement.

**Item No. 9 – Executive Session**

Not needed.

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

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.

**Item No. 11 – Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.



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Nathan Law