



Kansas Municipal Gas Agency
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2025

Committee Members	City	Present/ Absent	KMGA Staff/Guests
Tara Pierce*	Argonia	Present	Tyson McGreer
Chris Weiner	Coffeyville	Present	Dixie Riedel
Ethan Reimer*	Halstead	Present	Terri Pemberton
Jason Thrasher	Hesston	Absent	Paul Mahlberg
Nathan Law*	Louisburg	Present	Mike Meyer
Katie Hodge	Osage City	Absent	Lisa Ferguson
Gus Collins	Winfield	Present	Tom Saitta
			Brooke Kistler
			Darren Prince
			Rafael Morfin
			Paul Lampe
			Sam Mills
			Rob Lessen - Arma
			Jeremy Nulf – Beloit
			Manny Milbers – Beloit
			Ben Brubaker – Coffeyville
			Kent Pottorf – Garden City
			Mike Muirhead – Garden City
			Evan Rose – Gardner
			Jeff Ahring – Lincoln
			Dale Schwieger – Osage City

**Attended the meeting virtually*

Item No. 1 – Call the Meeting to Order

President Gus Collins called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m., which was held at the Marriott Hotel in Overland Park, KS. A quorum was present.

Item No. 2 – Seek Approval for the Following Items:

- **May 27, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**
 Tara Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on May 27, 2025. The motion was seconded by Ethan Reimer and carried unanimously.
- **Appropriations Report for May 2025**
 Mike Meyer presented the May 2025 Appropriations Report. Chris Weiner made a motion to approve the May 2025 Appropriations Report. Tara Pierce seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Item No. 3 – Gas Director Report

Dixie Riedel provided updates on the Natural Gas Industry market. She also shared that the city of Garden Plain is considering changing their pipeline provider from MCMC to Black Hills Energy. Their current transport contract with MCMC expires on September 30, 2025, and the city’s current supply runs through April 2026. KMGA is working with MCMC to extend the transport contract for 7 additional months to line up with the supply contract. Also, Golden Gas Storage recently put out a request for proposals for bids on a location in Kiowa, KS, with non-binding bids due July 8th and open season/binding bids due in September.

Item No. 4 – General Counsel Report

Terri Pemberton provided updates on the KCC docket for Black Hills Energy and shared that in response to their latest energy rate increase, parties to the docket, including KMGA, filed a settlement and as a result the revenue requirement significantly reduced. She also noted that the settlement separated out the transportation tariff issues, which will be discussed in a separate docket to be filed in about two years. Terri then provided updates on the Winter Storm Uri related class-action lawsuits in Kansas and the Oklahoma AG cases. Lastly, Terri mentioned that Kansas Gas Service contacted her about a line segment that feeds the city of Hesston that KGS recently purchased as part of the American Energies acquisition. KGS was looking for solutions for that line segment considering Hesston’s recent decision to enter into a contract rate with Black Hills Energy which would effectively eliminate any gas from flowing on the KGS line segment, except in cases of emergency. By way of background, Terri noted that because of system upgrades, KGS had been injecting gas at such high pressure that the gas from BHE was unable to enter the City’s system. As a result, the city entered into an exclusive contract rate with BHE and notified KGS that it could close the tap to the city. More information to come later.

Item No. 5 – General Manager Report

Paul Mahlberg introduced Rafael Morfin, in attendance at the meeting, who recently took the position of rate analyst for KMEA, after previously working for KMEA as a system operator. He also shared that the city of Little River had recently paid their dues for 2025, after a period of considering whether they wanted to remain a member of KMGA. Paul then gave a brief update on the ongoing repairs at the KMEA office and mentioned that an update on the proposed new Mid-States facility would be provided at the Joint EMP meeting later that day. Paul also asked the Executive Committee to mark their calendars for KMEA’s 2025 Annual Gathering taking place on September 11th.

Item No. 6 – Old Business

- **Natural Gas Prepay Update**

Paul Mahlberg provided a Natural Gas Prepay Update and said that KMGA has now received agreements back from two groups: Black Belt/Goldman Sachs and MMGA/JP Morgan. The agreements are nearly identical and KMGA has already locked down a contract with MMGA/JP Morgan, who are primed to go when the market is ready. However, we’re still waiting for feedback from Black Belt/Goldman Sachs on their agreement, which will hopefully be received soon. When the market is ready, KMGA will need approval from the Executive Committee to move forward with either group, so a special meeting may be needed. Paul also shared a twelve-month estimated prepay chart from November 2025 through October 2026.

Item No. 7 – New Business

None.

Item No. 8 – Executive Session

Not needed.

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

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held at Kansas Municipal Utilities in McPherson on July 23, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.

Item No. 10 – Adjourn Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 10:51 a.m.



Nathan Law