



Kansas Municipal Gas Agency  
 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
 October 30, 2025

Committee Members	City	Present/ Absent	KMGA Staff/Guests
Tara Pierce	Argonia	Present	Paul Mahlberg
Chris Weiner	Coffeyville	Present	Dixie Riedel
Ethan Reimer	Halstead	Present	Terri Pemberton
Jason Thrasher	Hesston	Present	Lisa Ferguson
Nathan Law	Louisburg	Present	Mike Meyer
Katie Hodge	Osage City	Present	Brooke Kistler
Gus Collins	Winfield	Present	Manny Milbers

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

President Gus Collins called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m., which was held virtually via Microsoft Teams. A quorum was present.

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

- **September 11, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
 Jason Thrasher made a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on September 11, 2025. The motion was seconded by Nathan Law and carried unanimously.
- **Appropriations Report for September 2025**  
 Mike Meyer presented the Appropriations Report for September 2025. Katie Hodge made a motion to approve the September 2025 Appropriations Report. Nathan Law seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.
- **Financial Report for Year-to-Date September 30, 2025**  
 Mike Meyer presented the Financial Report for the Year-to-Date September 30, 2025. Ethan Reimer made a motion to approve the Financial Report for the Year-to-Date September 30, 2025. Tara Pierce seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Item No. 3 – 2026 Annual Budget Presentation**

Paul Mahlberg gave a presentation on the proposed 2026 KMGA Budget providing background on revenue and expenses. He stated that, pending approval from the Joint Board for Administration, KMEA’s fee will be going up in 2026 and KMGA’s net position will drop at the end of 2026, this is primarily due to staffing changes. KMGA’s Gas Director, Dixie Riedel, will be retiring in spring 2027, and KMGA plans to hire a replacement in mid-2026 to shadow her until her retirement which will cause a temporary increase in staffing budget. After Dixie retires, KMGA is projected to return to a balanced net position by the end of 2027.

Tara Pierce made a motion to recommend the proposed 2026 Budget as presented to the full board for approval at the board meeting in November. Jason Thrasher seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Dixie Riedel provided updates on the Natural Gas Industry market. She reported that 2025 gas volume was very similar to previous years, gas prices were currently low despite some volatility in the market, and that gas storage levels were well above the five-year average with injections expected to continue into early November due to a warmer than average forecast. The winter forecast models predict similar weather to the previous year with some cold snaps but no extreme weather. Dixie also shared European models showing storage levels below the five-year average, although it's currently not a concern, and that larger amounts of capacity will be exported from the US to countries abroad.

Dixie also provided an update on the status of municipal gas systems in Kansas, and if there were currently any prospective cities that may be interested in joining KMGGA. She reported that, at present, there are 49 cities in the state with municipal owned gas systems, and KMGGA manages gas supply for 28 of those cities. Of the remaining 21 cities with municipal owned gas systems that aren't managed by KMGGA, Dixie's visited all of them except for the city of Mulberry (including visits last week to the cities of Neodesha and Iola). She said at present there are no solid prospects for KMGGA membership.

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

Terri Pemberton provided an update on the KCC regarding the Black Hills/KGS docket and said KMGGA found an erroneous statement in their filing, so KMGGA has intervened and is now involved in the docket and will continue to monitor. Terri also said there's been a new docket filed by Golden Gas Service Co. to operate a gas storage facility in Kiowa county which KMGGA will monitor. There are no new updates on Winter Storm Uri with regards to the AG or class-action lawsuits, although defendants in the Enable docket have filed a motion to compel against the AG and oral arguments are scheduled for this month.

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

Paul Mahlberg provided a brief report and stated that KMGGA's elections nominating committee met earlier this month and will make their recommendations to the full board at the board meeting in November. They've recommended retaining all current officers and at-large positions on the Executive Committee and nominated Nathan Law for an at-large representative position on the Joint Board for Administration.

Paul also reminded Executive Committee members that the Annual Conference is coming up on November 13-14, at which the KMGGA Board of Directors meeting will take place at 10 a.m. on November 13, and said there would be a couple of gas related sessions – with representatives from WoodRiver Energy and Missouri Public Utility Alliance.

#### **Item No. 7 – Old Business**

- **Natural Gas Prepay Update**

Paul Mahlberg said that KMGGA is still prepared to move forward on the prepay when the market is ready. We have agreements back from two groups: Black Belt/Goldman Sachs and MMGA/JP Morgan and the agreements are nearly identical so KMGGA could go with either group. The market is currently favorable and either group could be ready to move forward soon. Paul asked for the Executive Committee's feedback as to whether a discount of \$.35/MNBTU would be acceptable to move forward with on an agreement or if we stick with the \$.40/MNBTU discount that the Executive Committee previously agreed upon. The consensus was to stick with a \$.40/MNBTU discount. When the time comes, KMGGA will need approval from the Executive Committee and a resolution to move forward.

**Item No. 8 – New Business**

None.

**Item No. 9 – Executive Session to discuss personnel matters**

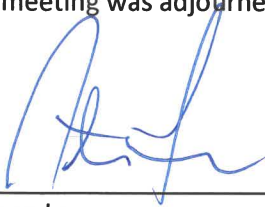
None needed.

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

The regular monthly Executive Committee meeting will be skipped in November, due to the Annual Conference taking place on November 13-14. The date, time and location of the next Executive Committee meeting in December will be determined at a later date.

**Item No. 11 – Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.



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Nathan Law