

42nd Annual Meeting Minutes – Goodland, Kansas – Feb 1st 2017

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The 42nd annual meeting was opened at 1:44 P.M. MST, February 1, 2017 at the Northwest Kansas Technical College, Goodland, Kansas. Board members present were:

Dave Rietcheck
Roger Zwegardt
Justin Sloan
Shane Mann

Jeff Deeds
Lynn Goossen
Brent Rogers
Monty Biggs

Doug David
Mitchell Baalman
Scott Maurath

Others present were: Staff: Ray Luhman, Shannon Kenyon, Dan Simmering, Rita Wade; Adam Dees - attorney;, Lane Letourneau, Kelly Stewart, Steven Walters and Chelsea Erickson - DWR; Tracy Streeter & Richard Rockel – KWO; Jonathan Aguilar – K-State Research and Extension; Brownie Wilson – KGS; Bill Golden – K-State; Shawn Beach - USDA

There were 108 persons that signed the attendance sheet. The attendance roster is available from the district office.

President Brent Rogers opened the meeting with a welcome and introductions of the board, staff, state agency staff, and former board members present.

President Rogers then turned over the meeting to Jeff Deeds for presentation of the 41st annual meeting minutes, Hoxie, Kansas, February 10, 2016. Jeff directed attention to the annual meeting minutes printed in the annual meeting packet (page 3) and gave everyone a chance to review them. It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes on a unanimous voice vote.

Dave Rietcheck next presented the 2018 proposed operating budget. Dave reported that the 2018 budget was \$479,165. With no further questions or comments, the proposed 2018 budget of \$479,165 was moved and seconded to be approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Dave Rietcheck next presented the 2016 calendar year financials. Dave directed attention to the financial report contained in the annual meeting packet at page 7 & 8 and asked everyone to review the report. He summarized by reporting that the district brought in \$699,821; spent \$491,167. The total cash on hand reported as \$208,654. Dave finally noted that the Foundation (not affiliated with the district) had a December 31, 2016 balance of \$440,058. Following review and with no questions or comments, it was moved and seconded the financials be approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Justin Sloan next conducted the board elections. Justin opened Position 1 (Cheyenne County) announcing that Roger Zwegardt was the single candidate that had pre-filed. Justin opened the floor for additional nominations for Position 1. With no additional nominations, it was moved and seconded the nominations for Position 1 cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Roger Zwegardt. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Justin opened Position 4 (Sherman/Wallace County) announcing that Nathan Emig and Jace Mosbarger. Justin then opened the floor for additional nominations for Position 4. Each candidate spoke to the audience on their position. With no additional nominations, it was moved and seconded that nominations for Position 4 cease and a ballot be cast. No further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Justin opened Position 6 (Thomas County) announcing that Lynn Goossen and Tyler Hill had pre-filed. Justin opened the floor for additional nominations for Position 6. No additional nominations were made. Lynn Goossen spoke to the audience on his position. It was moved and seconded that nominations for Position 6 cease. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

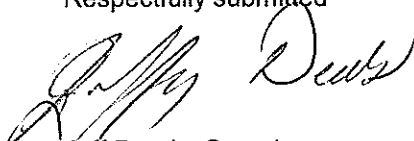
Eligible voters then cast their ballots to be tallied by Adam Dees, Linda Franklin and Tracy Streeter.

As ballots were being tallied Brent Rogers discussed several items of interest printed in the meeting packet. Discussion was also had about the proposed District Wide LEMA with several questions asked and comments made.

Justin Sloan then announced the election results with Roger Zwegardt in the Cheyenne 1 position uncontested, Nathan Emig with 63 votes and Jace Mosbarger with 37 in the Sherman/Wallace 4 position, and Lynn Goossen with 59 votes and Tyler Hills with 32 votes in the Thomas 6 position.

It was moved and seconded that the 42nd annual meeting of the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 be adjourned. With no objections, President Rogers declared the 42nd annual meeting of the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 adjourned.

Respectfully submitted



Jeff Deeds, Secretary