

43rd Annual Meeting Minutes – Colby, Kansas – Feb 7th, 2018

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The 43rd annual meeting was opened at 1:44 P.M. CST, February 7th, 2018 at the City Limits Convention Center, Colby, Kansas. Board members present were:

Nate Emig
Karen Flanagin
Monty Biggs

Jeff Deeds
Lynn Goossen
Brent Rogers

Ted Nighswonger
Mitchell Baalman
Scott Maurath

Others present were: Staff: Ray Luhman, Shannon Kenyon, Jody McCain; Adam Dees - attorney; Kelly Stewart, Steven Walters; Alexandra Davis– KWO

There were 147 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.

President Rogers then turned over the meeting to Jeff Deeds for presentation of the 42nd annual meeting minutes, Goodland, Kansas, February 1st, 2017. Jeff directed attention to the annual meeting minutes printed in the annual meeting packet (page 4) and gave everyone a chance to review them. It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes on a unanimous voice vote.

Mitchell Baalman next presented the 2019 proposed operating budget. Mitchell reported that the 2019 budget was \$475,955. With no further questions or comments, the proposed 2019 budget of \$475,955 was moved and seconded to be approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Mitchell Baalman next presented the 2017 calendar year financials. Mitchell 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 \$655,882; spent \$471,433. The total cash on hand reported as \$183,806. Following review and with no questions or comments, it was moved and seconded that the financials be approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Lynn Goossen next conducted the board elections. Lynn opened Position 2 (Rawlins/Decatur) announcing that Monty Biggs was the single candidate that had pre-filed. Lynn opened the floor for additional nominations for Position 2. A nomination for Jerry Rall was made and seconded. With no additional nominations, it was moved and seconded the nominations for Position 2 cease and a ballot be cast. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Lynn opened Position 3 (Sherman/Wallace County) announcing that Jeff Deeds was the single candidate that had pre-filed. Lynn then opened the floor for additional nominations for Position 3. A nomination for John Hendrich was made and seconded. 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.

Lynn opened Position 5 (Thomas County) announcing that Karen Flanagin had pre-filed. Lynn opened the floor for additional nominations for Position 5. A nomination for Wilburn Holloway was made and seconded. It was moved and seconded that nominations for Position 5 cease. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Lynn opened Position 7 (Sheridan County) announcing that Brent Rogers had pre-filed. Lynn opened the floor for additional nominations for Position 7. A nomination for Pat Haffner was made and seconded. It

was moved and seconded that nominations for Position 7 cease. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote

Opportunity was given to each candidate to briefly speak to the audience of their desire to serve on the board of directors and their position.

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

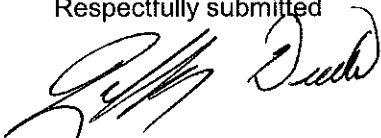
As ballots were being tallied Weston McCary presented on the Precision Agriculture program at NW Tech College. Steven Walters also presented on several WCA's in the area and the flexibilities offered. Shannon Kenyon then presented on the Soil Moisture Probe/VRI program from the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Conservation Foundation and informed the audience of the upcoming Central Plains Irrigation Conference. Brent Rogers discussed the renewal of the SD 6 LEMA and the latest on the District-Wide LEMA. A question was answered concerning the SD-6 Advisory Committee. Brent then informed the audience that the annual meeting date will be moved from the first Wednesday in February to the second Wednesday in February and next year it will be in Hoxie. Freddie Lamm then discussed the upcoming Central Plains Irrigation Conference. A question was answered from the audience about GMD 4's interaction in the Republican River Compact.

Lynn Goossen then announced the election results with a tie in the Rawlins/Decatur 2 position, Jeff Deeds with 94 votes and John Hendrich with 79 votes in the Sherman/Wallace 3 position, Karen Flanagan with 91 votes and Wilburn Holloway with 81 votes in the Thomas 5 position, and Brent Rogers with 92 votes and Pat Haffner with 80 votes in the Sheridan 7 position.

Another vote was cast for the tie of the Rawlins/Decatur 2 position. Ballots were distributed to eligible voters and collected. Adam Dees, Linda Franklin, and Sarah McKenna counted the ballots. Lynn Goossen announced Monty Biggs with 71 votes and Jerry Rall with 31 votes.

It was moved and seconded that the 43rd annual meeting of the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 be adjourned. With no objections, President Rogers declared the 43rd annual meeting of the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeff Deeds', written in a cursive style.

Jeff Deeds, Secretary