

**Minutes: Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District 4
February 10, 2016 Board Meeting**

1. OPEN MEETING, ATTENDANCE AND AGENDA

The February 10th Board meeting was opened at 10:08 am CST at the Sheridan County 4H Building in Hoxie, Kansas by President, Brent Rogers.

Board members present for some or all of the meeting were:

Justin Sloan, Shane Mann, Lynn Goossen, Brent Rogers,
Roger Zwegardt, Dave Rietcheck, Jeff Deeds and Monty Biggs

Present for some or all of the meeting were 14 other persons including representatives from KDA, KWO and the Chief Engineer. The sign in sheet for the meeting is available to view for attendance.

Board members absent were: Mitchell Baalman, Scott Maurath and Doug David

Ray Luhman added several items to the agenda. Rule and Regulation update to be added to the manager's report and the audit to be added to new business.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Brent Rogers asked if there were any concerns over the consent agenda, consisting of the January 14, 2016, Minutes and Expenditures for the month of January. Receipt of the financial report showing monthly expenditures totaling \$83,358.73 in January were approved.

Dave Rietcheck moved the minutes and expenditures for the month of January be accepted. The motion was seconded by Monty Biggs and passed unanimously by voice vote (no abstentions or "nay" votes).

3. OPEN FORUM

Nothing presented during Open Forum.

4. MANAGER'S REPORT

Ray Luhman informed the board we were unable to attend the Kansas Water Congress due to the snow storm. David Barfield gave a summary of the meeting that included a panel discussion.

No concerns were expressed about the Annual Meeting and how it was to be conducted.

Ray reported that a hearing on the Rule and Regulation was to occur at 10 am on April 4th, 2016. A call-in was available at the GMD 4 office for anyone that would want to come.

The RAC meeting was canceled, but rescheduled for February 18th, 2016 at 10 am.

Shannon Cain asked the board of any news they wanted in the newsletter. The proposed district wide LEMA was suggested.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Goal Discussion

After a brief overview of the proposed district wide LEMA was presented by Ray Luhman, discussion was had with David Barfield, Lane Letourneau, Tracy Streeter, Chris Beightel and Susan Metzger. Many questions were asked for clarification on several topics. They stated that the proposed LEMA had a good framework and that support would be given. It was suggested the board create a goal statement.

b. TH-5

Nobody present to give an update and nothing received to be presented.

c. Management Program

Ray Luhman recommended the Management Program discussion be tabled for now.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. ANNUAL MEETING

Brent Rogers informed he was going to present the map and give a brief overview during the new business portion of the meeting.

At 11:32 am Jeff Deeds moved to recess the monthly board meeting for the annual meeting. The motion was seconded by Shane Mann and passed unanimously by voice vote (no abstentions or "nay" votes).

At 3:15P.M. President Brent Rogers reconvened the February 10th Board of Directors Meeting.

b. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

***Election of Officers:** Lynn Goossen nominated Justin Sloan for Board President, Shane Mann seconded the nomination. Roger Zwegardt nominated Brent Rogers for Board President, Monty Biggs seconded the nomination. Nominations were ceased, and Brent Rogers was elected Board President with six votes and two votes for Justin Sloan. Roger Zwegardt nominated Shane Mann for Vice President, Lynn Goossen seconded the nomination. Nominations were ceased, and it was passed unanimously by voice vote (no "abstentions" or "nay" votes.) Lynn Goossen nominated Jeff Deeds for Secretary, Roger Zwegardt seconded the nomination. Nominations were ceased, and it was passed unanimously by voice vote (no "abstentions" or "nay" votes.) Shane Mann nominated Dave Rietcheck as Treasurer, Monty Biggs seconded the nomination. Nominations were ceased, and it was passed unanimously by voice vote (no "abstentions" or "nay" votes.)*

c. AUDIT

A copy of the audit report was handed out for review.

Shane Mann moved the audit be adopted. The motion was seconded by Dave Rietcheck and passed unanimously by voice vote (no abstentions or "nay" votes).

7. Agency Reports

David Barfield reported that he will give an update at the annual meeting about the proposed regulation on 300' spacing. The language has changed and the updated proposal will be emailed. He also reported that the City of Hays has filed change in use made of water applications for the R-9 Ranch water rights. They have also filed a Water Transfer application.

Tracy Streeter reported they have hired Richard Rockel to be the KWO representative for the Upper Republican RAC. He also reported they plan to update our groundwater model in a couple of years. The GMD 2 model will need to be completed first. KWO is developing Water Technology Farms and would like to have one in our district. May 18th will be the next KWA meeting in Oakley.

Shannon Cain asked Chris Beightel for a WRIS Mobile update. He informed us they are almost ready to make it available.

Jonathan Aguilar with K-State Research and Extension is developing a spreadsheet to assist producers with calculating their pumping.

Ian de Waal has been involved with NRCS and the RCPP grant. He provided an update on the issues related to the nozzle spacing and approval of the grant.

8. OPEN SESSION-Public Questions/Comments:

Shannon Cain asked the board what they wanted to do with the globes taken down from the roof remodel. It was suggested to sell them online.

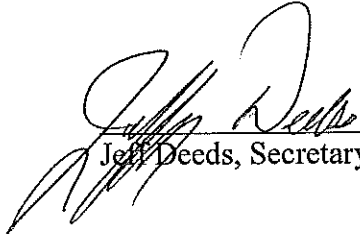
9. Scheduling Future Meetings:

The March Monthly Meeting to be held at the GMD 4 office on March 9th at 10 am.

10. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business and no objections, Dave Rietcheck moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jeff Deeds and passed unanimously by voice vote (no abstentions or "nay" votes).

Respectfully submitted:



Jeff Deeds, Secretary