

45th Annual Meeting Minutes – Goodland, Kansas – Feb 12th, 2020

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The 45th annual meeting was opened at 1:30 P.M. MST, February 12th, 2020 at NWKTC, Goodland, Kansas. Board members present were:

Nate Emig
Karen Flanagan
Monty Biggs
Shane Mann

Jeff Deeds
Lynn Goossen
Brent Rogers
Roger Zwegyardt

Brett Oelke
~~Mitchell Baalman~~
Ted Nighswonger

Others present were: Staff: Shannon Kenyon, Dan Simmering, Jody McCain; Adam Dees - attorney; Kelly Stewart, DWR; Armando Zarco & Keadron Pearson – KWO; Dan Wells – KDHE; Kevin Klog – KDWPT; NWKTC Precision Ag students

There were 57 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 and staff. He also acknowledged previous board members present and introduced the KWO and KDWPT.

Secretary Jeff Deeds then presented the 44th annual meeting minutes, Hoxie, Kansas, February 13th, 2019. 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.

Treasurer Roger Zwegyardt next presented the 2021 proposed operating budget. Roger asked if there were any questions. With no questions or comments, the proposed 2021 budget of \$423,515 was moved and seconded to be approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Roger Zwegyardt next presented the 2019 calendar year financials. Roger directed attention to the financial report contained in the annual meeting packet at page 7 and asked everyone to review the report. He summarized by reporting that the district brought in \$531,674; spent \$432,834. The total cash on hand reported as \$294,021.

Brett Oelke next conducted the board elections. He introduced each of the candidates that had pre-filed for the respective positions that are up for reelection. As there were no other pre-filed nominations, he announced that the ballot was unanimous.

A motion to elect the unanimous ballot for all board positions was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Brent Rogers then explained that since the resignation of Scott Maurath in the Logan County position it has not been filled. He stated that the board would like to make Position 10 a combination of Logan and Gove counties and Position 11 representing At-Large.

WHEREAS the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 was formed for the management and conservation of groundwater resources; for the prevention of economic deterioration; and to secure for Kansas the benefit of its fertile soils and favorable location with respect to national and world markets; and

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 are elected to represent the wishes of the eligible voters of the district; and

WHEREAS the boundaries of the district include all or portions of ten counties;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the eligible voters of the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 that the board of directors be elected such that all geographic locations within the district will be represented, that one board member be elected from Cheyenne County, hereafter to be considered position No. 1, that one board member be elected from the Rawlins-Decatur County area, hereafter to be considered position No. 2, that two board members be elected from the Sherman-Wallace County area, hereafter to be considered position numbers 3 and 4, and two board members be elected from Thomas County, hereafter to be considered position numbers 5 and 6, that two board members be elected from Sheridan County, hereafter to be considered position numbers 7 and 8, that one board member be elected from Graham County, hereafter to be considered position No. 9, that one board member be elected from Logan-Gove County area, hereafter to be considered position number 10, and that one board member be elected At-Large, hereafter to be considered position number 11.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to be eligible as a candidate for a board of director's position, the eligible voter must reside within the boundaries of that respective position as previously described.

A motion to adopt a resolution that makes Position 10 representing Logan and Gove counties and Position 11 an At-Large position was passed by unanimous voice vote.

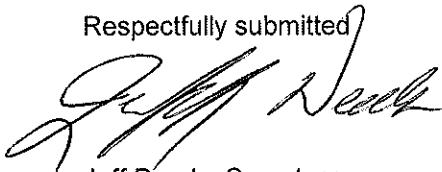
Brent then gave updates on the LEMAs, the Soil Moisture Probe Program, WCA's, and meter issues.

Stephen Lauer of Kansas State University gave the presentation "Conserving Ogallala Communities: The Social Aspects of Groundwater Management" to the audience. His research has several social aspects that was focused on and suggestions to further support those findings.

Weston McCary of NWKTC, Precision Ag, then gave an update on the program. He gave a background how the program has grown and where they see the program going.

It was moved and seconded that the 45th annual meeting of the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 be adjourned. With no objections, President Rogers declared the 45th 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". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jeff Deeds, Secretary