NORTHWEST KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 4
October 1, 2026

1. OPEN MEETING, ATTENDANCE AND AGENDA

The special October 1, 2026, board meeting was opened at the GMD 4 Office, Colby, Kansas by President, Brett Oelke.

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

Baker Bugbee, Carl Davis, Jeff Deeds, Nate Emig, Lynn Goossen, Dylan Loyd, Shane Mann, Brett Oelke, and Marsha Schilling.

Board members absent were:

Jerry Binning and Brent Rogers.

Others present for some, or all the meeting were: Shannon Kenyon, Jody McCain, and Jack Polifka – GMD 4 staff; and Jake Kling (virtually)– GMD 4 attorney; Keadron Pearson – KWO; Kelly Stewart – DWR-STKFO (virtually); Doyle Saddler (virtually), Micah Schwab (virtually), and an unknown person, identified as "B" who would not respond when asked several times to identify themselves for the minutes for public record.

Marsh Schilling moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Baker Bugbee and passed unanimously by voice vote (no "nay" votes.)

2. CONSENT AGENDA

a. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Lynn Goossen moved that the minutes of August 5, 2026, board meeting be accepted as presented. The motion was seconded by Shane Mann and passed unanimously by voice vote (no "nay" votes).

b. EXPENDITURE & FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR AUGUST

Jeff Deeds moved that the financial reports and expenditure reports for the month of August be accepted as presented. The motion was seconded by Baker Bugbee and passed unanimously by voice vote (no "nay" votes).

3. OPEN FORUM

Jody handed out the updated Board Member and Staff contact sheet.

4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

   a. GMD 4 LEMA

At 11:08 a.m. Shane Mann moved to go into executive session for 30 minutes with the manager, board, attorney, staff and Micah Schwab to discuss attorney client privilege. The motion was seconded by Carl Davis and passed unanimously by voice vote (no "nay" votes).

Board member Dylan Loyd entered the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

At 11:38 a.m. Shane Mann moved to extend the executive session for 10 minutes with the manager, board, attorney, staff and Micah Schwab to discuss attorney client privilege. The motion was seconded by Carl Davis and passed unanimously by voice vote (no "nay" votes).

The executive session expired.

Lynn Goossen moved to retain Micah Schwab as secondary representation as needed. The motion was seconded by Dylan Loyd and passed unanimously by voice vote (no "nay" votes).

5. **OPEN SESSION – Public Questions/Comments:**

Shannon has still been working with the NGO's. The 5 Kansas GMDs are investigating the creation of a 501c3 tax designation, to be able to get funding directly in the hands of the producers.

Shane noted that all board members should be in attendance of the second LEMA hearings, if possible, on October 13, 2026.

6. **SCHEDULING FUTURE MEETINGS:**

   November 4, 2026, starting at 9 a.m. CST at the GMD 4 Office.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business and no objections, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Jeff Deeds, Secretary