

Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
March 13th, 2019

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

President Kirk Heger called to order the March 13th, 2019 Board of Directors meeting of the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District to order at 1:17 p.m. The meeting was held at Gray County Event Center, Cimarron, KS.

Directors Present

Kirk Heger, President, Stevens County Representative
Mike O'Brate, Treasurer, Gray County Representative
Bret Rooney, Vice President, Haskell County Representative
Mike McNiece, Board Secretary, Industrial Representative
Kent Dunn, Seward County Representative
Fred Jones, Municipal Representative
Steve Stone, Finney County Representative
Randy Hayzlett, Surface Water Representative
Douglass Fox, Meade County Representative
Clay Scott, Grant County Representative
Hal Scheuerman, Kearny County Representative

Directors Absent with Notice

Zachary Gale, Hamilton County Representative
Seth Nelson, Stanton County Representative
Fred Claassen, Morton County Representative
Dave Casterline, Ford County Representative

District Staff Present

Mark Rude, Executive Director
Patty Stapleton, Office Administrator
Chris Law, Director, Field Services
Trevor Ahring, Engineer
Brandi Sneath, Office Assistant

Others in Attendance

Mike Meyer, Water Commissioner, Division of Water Resources, Garden City, KS
Armando Zarco, Kansas Water Office, Garden City, KS
Jett Little, Division of Water Resources, Garden City, KS
Austin McColloch, Division of Water Resources, Garden City, KS
GMD3 members

APPROVE AGENDA

President Heger asked for consideration of the meeting Agenda. add item E. "Moving draft 2020 budget to July hearing." Mike O'Brate made a motion to approve the agenda with addition. Hal Scheuerman seconded. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & GENERAL MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

President Heger drew the attention of the Board to consider the February 6th, 2019 draft minutes. Kent Dunn moved to approve the February 6th, 2019 minutes, as presented. Clay Scott seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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President Heger next drew the attention of the Board to review the **February 2019 financial report** documents. Fred Jones made a motion as follows: Approve the financial reports and payments for the month of February as presented at this meeting and submit them for the annual audit. Hal Scheuerman seconded the motion. Motion passed

President Heger signed and submitted the financial documents.

President's Report, President Kirk Heger

Board Officer Elections:

President:

Randy Hayzlett moved to nominate Bret Rooney for Board President and to cease nominations. Kent Dunn seconded. Motion passed.

Bret Rooney is GMD3 Board President.

At this time President Kirk Heger transferred the Presidential duties to Bret Rooney.

Vice President:

Mike O'Brate moved to nominate Fred Jones for Board Vice President, to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Doug Fox seconded. Motion passed.

Fred Jones is the new GMD3 Board Vice President.

Secretary:

Hal Scheuerman moved to nominate Mike McNiece for Board Secretary and to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Doug Fox seconded. Motion passed.

Mike McNiece remains the GMD3 Secretary.

Treasurer:

Doug Fox moved to nominate Mike O'Brate for Board Treasurer and to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Hal Scheuerman seconded. Motion passed.

Mike O'Brate remains the GMD3 Treasurer.

Committee Assignments

President Rooney will consider the directors for committee assignments and announce at the April meeting any changes.

Water Commissioner Report

Water Commissioner Meyer noted there was good feedback on the online water use reporting campaign for this year. He also announced that Brandi Cole is leaving the Garden City Field Office staff to take a job in Colorado for Division 2 office of the state engineer.

Applications Resume'

Working on the listing of applications submitted and processed for the GMD3 area, a draft was provided, and the list will include everything being reviewed.

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Proposed 2020 Budget

Randy Hayzlett moved to send the proposed 2020 budget provided to the membership at the annual meeting to a July public hearing. Mike O'Brate seconded. Motion passed.

Western Water Authority

Mark announced nominations for Western GMDs nomination to the Kansas Water Authority is needed. The position appointed by the governor represents all 3 western GMD's and must be currently serving on a GMD board. The appointment is a 4-year term. Steve Stone moved to nominate Greg Graff. Doug Fox seconded. Motion passed. Greg Graff was nominated by the GMD3 Board of Directors to continue serving on the Water Authority.

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

There was no new business.

Executive Director Report, Mark Rude

Legislature Update

Executive Director Mark Rude will present the 2018 Legislative report Monday and Tuesday in Topeka.

Monthly Western Water Conservation Projects Fund Business

Mark Rude drew the attention of the board to the February Financial documents of the Western Water Conservation Projects Fund and activity of the advisory committee. After some discussion of the Board, Mike O'Brate moved to accept the February Financial Report and payments as presented and submit them for annual audit. Mike McNiece seconded. Motion passed.

Board Member Report

No announcements were made by Board members.

Public Forum

Armando Zarco advised all the calendar dates for upcoming events are wrong in the board book.

Governors Water Conference will be November 7th and 8th, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

Kent Dunn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hal Scheuerman seconded.
The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike McNiece
GMD3 Board Secretary