



# WESTERN KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

## Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Board Meeting March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

8:00 a.m. CST

The meeting will be made available in person at 906 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Scott City, KS or by posted zoom meeting link

<b>I. Call Meeting to Order</b>		Action
a. Review & Approve Agenda	Pg. 1-1a	Action
b. Review & Approve Minutes of the January 27 <sup>th</sup> Board Meeting	Pg. 2-4	Action
c. Review & Approve January and February Finances	Pg. 5-27	Action
<b>II. Correspondence</b>		
a. Staff may report on correspondence received since the previous Board Meeting -2023 Legislative Update (HB 2302 & HB 2279) -Municipal Outreach April 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 -April Outreach Meetings		
<b>III. Old Business</b>		
a. Legal Correspondence – Tom Adrian and Reece Hiebert		
b. Airport Hanger Update		
c. Cost Share Application – D & L Farms	Pg. 28-30	Action
<b>IV. New Business</b>		
a. Term Permit Application No. 20229134	Pg. 31-37	Action
b. Term Permit Application No. 20229135 & 20229136	Pg. 38-46	Action
c. Mileage Report	Pg. 47-50	Action
d. Cost Share Application – Richard & Glenda Randal	Pg. 51-52	Action
e. Cost Share Application – Winderlin Farms	Pg. 53-54	Action
f. Board Seat Elections		Action
g. Four County LEMA Update & Appeals		
h. Executive Session		Action
<b>V. Legislative Update</b>		
<b>VI. DWR Report</b>		
<b>VII. KWO Report</b>		
<b>VIII. Public Comment</b>		



IX. Meeting Adjourn		
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**WESTERN KANSAS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO.1**  
**January 27, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mark Callender – President, Lane County  
Travis Weaver – Vice President, Greeley County\*  
Ray Smith – Wallace County Member\*  
Brian Bauck – Wichita County Member  
Steve Compton – Treasurer, Scott County

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT FOR ALL OR A PORTION OF THE MEETING**

Katie Durham – District Manager  
Toni Palen – Office Administrator

**OTHER PEOPLE PRESENT FOR ALL OR A PORTION OF THE MEETING**

Reece Hiebert*	Adrian & Pankratz Law Office
David Barfield*	KWR Consulting
Keadron Pearson*	Kansas Water Office
Mike Meyer*	Division of Water Resources
Don Smith*	

- I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY MARK CALLERDER** – President Mark Callender called to order the January 27, 2023 Board of Directors meeting of the Western Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 1 at 9:03 a.m. at the District Office in Scott City.
  - a) **Review & Approve Agenda** – The Board reviewed the January 27, 2023 Agenda. Brian Bauck made a motion to approve the Agenda. Steve Compton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
  - b) **Review & Approve Minutes** – Mark Callender requested a change to the January 10, 2023 minutes in section II under “Blair Snyder Notice,” it should say Mark Rude not Mark Callender. Steve Compton made a motion to approve the January 10, 2023 minutes with the change above. Brian Bauck seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
  - c) **Review and approve the financials** – The Board reviewed the December 31, 2022 financials. Katie Durham mention that we are starting to receive our assessment checks in the mail. Katie also mentions that we no longer have trash service at the hangar but has spoken with Faurot Heating & Air Conditioning who agreed to let us use theirs for \$30.00 per month. Katie reported that Pat Ryan received a quote from Cheney Door for \$4,000.00 for framing and putting garage door in at the Hangar. Brian Bauck made a motion to approve the financials. Steve Compton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- II. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
  - a) Katie Durham reported to the Board that she and Mark Callender returned home yesterday from Topeka. Katie and Mark stated they attended the Legislative Sessions for the Senate Ag Committee, the House Committee where GMD1 and GMD4 were invited to do a presentation and participated on a House Floor event.

Katie stated both presentations went well, had good feedback and overall, very positive. Also, Katie shared that she and Shannon Kenyon from GMD4 received a framed certificate in recognition from the House Floor. Katie went on thanking everyone who has supported in the efforts with the LEMA's. Mark gave positive feedback from the experience stating he met with Lindsay Vaughan and acknowledged Sean Miller and all his efforts and help. Katie feels we are in a very positive place as a District.

### III. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) **Review Four County LEMA Appeals Spreadsheet** - Katie stated she, Travis Weaver, and David Barfield are working on a spreadsheet for the LEMA appeals. David shared his power point to review with the Board.
- b) **Review LEMA hearing written testimony for February 2<sup>nd</sup>** - The Board discussed and reviewed the draft written testimony which will include reference to the two proposed clarifications to the Four County LEMA. First, clarifying that uncertified water rights that are still in their perfection period should not be included in the FCL and second, that there would be a revised map of the LEMA boundary.
- c) **Review and approve revised voting criteria** - Reece shared by power point the revised voting policy. The Following changes have been made:
  - Same day registration is required. GMD1 staff will have a list of eligible voters on site for registration.
  - One person - One vote
  - At this time no mail in ballots allowed
  - If you plan to vote for a Trust or Landlord, as a corresponding tenant the District will need supporting documentation to the District Office by February 23<sup>rd</sup>. (5 days before meeting)

Reece clarified we cannot use last year's documentation since this is a new revised policy. Reece stated officers should be selected every year. Katie suggested that the Board vote to assign an officer and accept this as a resolution. Steve Compton made a motion to except the new revised registration policy. Brian Bauck seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Brian Bauck made a motion to select Tom Adrian or if not available someone from Adrian & Pankratz Law Office to be the Election Officer at the Annual Meeting. Steve Compton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- a) **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE** - NONE
- b) **DWR REPORT** - Mike Meyer reported his office is working on water use reports and still in need of applicants. Mike reminded Katie Durham he needs a recommendation on Steve Frost.
- c) **KWO REPORT** - Keadron Pearson reports that Katie Durham is a new member of the Upper Smoky Hill RAC. Keadron reminded the Board that March 23<sup>rd</sup> is the WISE tour in Dodge City and Montezuma, with more information to come.
- d) **PUBLIC COMMEN-** NONE
- e) **MEETING AJOURN** - Brian Bauck made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Steve Compton seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Toni Palen  
Toni Palen, Office Administrator

Approved:

Mark Callender  
Mark Callender, President  
3/22/2023