

**PROPOSED AGENDA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

EQUUS BEDS GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

**Tuesday, February 16, 2016 – 1:00 p.m.
Conference room**

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1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. FINANCIAL REPORT
4. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES
5. PUBLIC FORUM – Persons may present written or verbal comments concerning non-agenda business. Please state your name and address. Presentations are limited to five minutes.
6. APPEAL REVIEW – None Pending
7. OLD BUSINESS – None Pending
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) Preliminary Review of McPherson BPU Application Nos. 47955, 47956, 47957
 - b) City of Wichita ASR Project 2014 Annual & Accounting Report
 - c) City of Wichita Public Water Supply Presentation - Alan King, City of Wichita
 - d) Proposed Legislation and Rules and Regulations Review
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12. BOARD ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION – Fred Seiler, President

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FEBRUARY 16, 2016

The Board of Directors for the Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2 held a monthly meeting February 16, 2016, in the conference room of the Equus Beds Groundwater Management District No. 2 in Halstead, Kansas. President Fred Seiler called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Directors and staff present during all or portions of the meeting:

Fred Seiler, President	
Vin Kissick, Vice-President	Joe Pajor, Member
Mike McGinn, Treasurer	Bob Seiler, Member
Jeff Winter, Secretary	Tom Adrian, Attorney
David Bogner, Member	Tim Boese, Manager
Alan Burghart, Member	Steve Flaherty, Hydrogeologist
David Stroberg, Member	Shelly Watkins, Administrative Assistant

Directors absent: None

Others attending the meeting or portions thereof were:

Brian Meier - Burns & McDonnell, Wichita	Cameron Conant- KDA/DWR
Daniel Clement - Burns & McDonnell, Wichita	Charlie Peaster
Lisa French – Cheney -S. Hutch	Alan King – City of Wichita
Tim Maier – Director, McPherson Board of Utilities	Anna Smith – PEC Wichita

ITEM 1

a) APPROVAL OF JANUARY 12TH MINUTES

Moved by Joe Pajor to approve the minutes as written. David Bogner seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 1 Directors abstained, and 2 Directors absent.

ITEM 2 -- APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Manager Tim Boese advised that an agenda item needed to be added under New Business 8 (h) for a review of an Audit Accounting Resolution. Moved by Alan Burghart to approve the agenda as amended. David Stroberg seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 2 Directors absent.

ITEM 3 -- FINANCIAL REPORT

Moved by Bob Seiler to approve the January financial report as submitted. Jeff Winter seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 2 Directors absent.

ITEM 4 -- APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Vin Kissick explained the charge for spousal registration for the GMDA meeting in Sacramento. President Fred Seiler suggested the District cover the expense. Moved by Jeff Winter to approve the January expenditures. David Stroberg seconded the motion. Motion carried with 9 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 0 Directors absent.

ITEM 5 -- PUBLIC FORUM- NONE

ITEM 6 -- APPEAL REVIEW – NONE

ITEM 7 – OLD BUSINESS- NONE

ITEM 8 -- NEW BUSINESS

a) Preliminary Review of McPherson BPU Application Nos. 47955, 47956, 47957

Tim Boese, Manager, began the presentation of the preliminary review of the three water appropriation applications filed in 2011 for Municipal use. Tim Maier, McPherson Board of Public Utilities, was present and provided information to the Board as to the need of an alternative sustainable water source to reduce water use from the BPU's current well field located in the McPherson IGUCA, which is experiencing groundwater levels declines. District Hydrogeologist Stephen Flaherty presented information on the applications including the location of the proposed applications in relationship to a saltwater contamination plume in the Hollow-Nikkel SWQUA and advised that the BPU's consultant recently submitted a report to the District. Full review will be at the next available board meeting. No motion was taken.

b) City of Wichita ASR Project 2014 Annual & Accounting Project

Steve Flaherty, Hydrogeologist, reviewed the City of Wichita's Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Project 2014 Annual and Accounting Report. Board discussion followed.

Moved by Vin Kissick and seconded by Alan Burghart that:

1. The 2014 Accounting & Annual Report meets the requirements set forth in the initial and (and as later modified) order for the ASR Project and the Aquifer Storage and Recovery System: Data Reporting Requirements Regulation K.A.R. 5-22-10(a),
2. Water quality information should continue to be represented graphically, with the inclusion of the shallow index monitoring well data; and
3. Index water-levels continue to be represented graphically (hydrographs) and geographically (water-level change maps).

Motion carried with 9 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 0 Directors absent.

c) City of Wichita Public Water Supply Presentation- Alan King, City of Wichita

Alan King, Director of Public Works, City of Wichita, presented information on the City's water use and drought plans and why the City had requested changes to the state-wide Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) regulations, using two graphs to illustrate the two ASR credit withdrawal options. The Board discussed the need to review the information presented and related data and suggested the Board review the information in a future board workshop. Vin Kissick made a motion that GMD2 staff meet with the City of Wichita staff to review the information and data and also send a letter to DWR Chief Engineer David Barfield advising that the two entities are discussing the issue. Seconded by David Stroberg. Motion carried with 9 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 0 Directors absent.

d) Proposed Legislation and Rules and Regulations Review

Tim Boese, Manager, updated the Board on the status of proposed legislation and rules and regulations.

Senate Bill 337 and companion House Bill 2491: Penalty for failure to file annual water use report. SB337 has been recommended for approval by the Senate Natural Resources Committee. HB2491 had a hearing in the House Ag/Natural Resources Committee and no additional action yet.

Senate Bill 329 and companion House Bill 2481: Clarifying change in Place of Use on MYFA's. SB329 was amended and has been recommended for approval by the Senate Natural Resources Committee. HB2491 in the House Ag/Natural Resources Committee has not had any action.

House Bill 2245 - Impairment Bill: The Bill deals with court injunctions and review in impairment claims. House Ag/Natural Resources Committee hearing is scheduled for February 17, 2016.

House Bill 2510 and House Bill 2511: Bills to increase the state water plan funds by increasing/creating numerous fees. Both bills are in the House Ag/Natural Resources Committee and no action has occurred.

Proposed Regulations: Proposed KDA/DWR regulation regarding 300 feet well moves has been temporarily pulled back for review of the map and Theis drawdown equation model. Tim also presented the proposed over-pumping Penalty chart. Tim invited the board to join in on a teleconference/webinar on Monday, February 22, 2016 at 1:00 pm. No motion was made.

e) NRCS/GMD Regional Conservation Partnership Program -Soil Moisture Monitoring

Tim Boese, Manager, advised that a NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership Program application that was submitted by Southwest Kansas GMD No. 3 on behalf of all of the Kansas GMDs was approved and would provide funding to eligible irrigation producers for soil moisture monitoring and irrigation scheduling, including soil moisture probes, telemetry for the probes and water meter, and crop consultant. The program is available in all five GMDs and the official press release from NRCS was forthcoming. Tim advised that the information was being placed in the upcoming GMD2 newsletter.

f) Draft FY 2017- Budget Review

Tim Boese presented the draft 2017 budget for the board to review. Discussion was held regarding the line items listed on the 2017 budget. It was the consensus of the Board to present the draft 2017 budget at the Annual Meeting on March 10, 2016.

g) District/Manager's 2016 Goals

Fred Seiler presented the draft goals that he, David Stroberg, and Tim Boese had developed. These included completing the revisions to the District's Management Program by the end of 2016, meeting with each Board member individually during 2016, and implementing a different office filing system. The Board consensus was that the office filing system is something that cannot be accurately measured. After discussion and some clarifications on the goals, Joe Pajor suggested a manager generated schedule for completion of goals so progress can be reviewed accurately throughout the year. Mike McGinn moved to approve the goals as follows:

- Finish draft revisions to the District's Aquifer Management Program by December 31, 2016. Provide the Board with a schedule of revisions and quarterly progress updates.
- Meet with each Board member once during 2016 (approximately one Board Member per month).
- Initiate the process of creating a five year budget forecast, with outside help if needed.

Seconded by Joe Pajor. Motion carried with 9 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 0 Directors absent.

h) Audit Accounting Resolution

Tim Boese presented a resolution requested by the District's accountant/auditor Jack Blazer, Knudsen, Monroe & Co, LLC. The resolution would waive certain Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) that are not relevant to the requirements of the Kansas cash basis and budget laws in the preparation of the District's financial statements and reports. Bob Seiler made a motion to approve and sign the resolution. Jeff Winter seconded the motion. Motion carried with 8 Directors for, 1 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 0 Directors absent.

ITEM 9 – AGENCY & COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

Cameron Conant, DWR, advised there was no information to report.

b) KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY

Vin Kissick reported the KWA met in Topeka on January 28, 2016, and that the next meeting would be May 18 & 19, 2016, in Oakley.

c) EQUUS – WALNUT REGIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Bob Seiler reported the committee is meeting March 11, 2016 and will take a tour of the ASR project. Bob invited anyone to come who was interested. Bob also advised that the subcommittee to discuss groundwater goals was meeting on February 17, 2016.

ITEM 10 – MANAGER'S REPORT

a) Annual Meeting

Tim Boese, Manager, reviewed with the Board a draft agenda for the Annual Meeting and confirmed that DWR will be presenting at the Annual meeting. Joe Pajor made a motion to have the March regular meeting on March 10th at 4:00 pm to pay bills and have dinner before the annual meeting at 7:00 pm and have a special meeting on Tuesday, March 29th at 1:00 pm to review several applications and conduct other business and cancel the April meeting. Seconded by David Stroberg. Motion carried with 8 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 1 Directors absent.

b) ASR Project Report

Tim Boese, Manager, advised December Phase I recharge was 58.73 acre feet recharged and no Phase II recharge as the surface intake pumps are removed during the winter. January there was no recharge due to low river flow. Cheney Reservoir is still full and the Flood pool was at 8.5% full. The Little Arkansas River flow is low, currently at 22 cfs at HWY 50 and 77 cfs at Valley Center. Tim advised that he received a request to meet with Farm Bureau to discuss the ASR regulation changes, but has not yet met with them.

c) Administrative Field Tasks

Tim Boese, Manager, reported for the month of January the District staff worked on 5 new/change application reviews; 3 new applications assistance, 12 water permit consultations, and several notice of completions and extension requests. David conducted 689 water-level measurements in January. Staff will be looking at the Burrtun and McPherson IGUCA's draft reports. Steve has been working on the data for the GMD Modeling.

d) Monthly Information & Service Report

Tim Boese, Manager, advised the report was in the Board booklet and reviewed information with the Board.

ITEM 12 -- BOARD ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION – FRED SEILER, PRESIDENT

Fred Seiler suggested the idea of having a summation of our meetings sent to the local newspapers. Joe Pajor suggested an in house trial run before sending it to newspapers. It was the consensus of the Board to give it a trial run. No motion was made.

Tim Boese advised he met with Gregg Young, Eagle Drainage District Board President and he seemed amicable about helping correct the issue regarding the District's monitoring wells that the drainage district ditch has encroached upon. Tim met consulting engineer Harlan Foraker and Eagle Drainage District Board Member Barry McCurry at the sight, but Gregg Young did not show. Tim advised that Harlan and Barry both seemed willing to get the repairs done. Bob Seiler advised the Eagle Drainage District board has a meeting on the March 3rd at 7pm at Bentley City Hall and Tim agreed to attend.

Vin Kissick advised that the GMD5 Annual Meeting is February 18, 2016, and that Kansas Rural Water Association Annual Meeting in Wichita is March 29-31, 2016.

Motion by Bob Seiler to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Jeff Winter. Motion carried with 8 Directors for, 0 Directors against, 0 Directors abstained, and 1 Directors absent.

Fred Seiler, President, adjourned the Board meeting at 4:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Winter
Secretary
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