

Minutes: _____ Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District 4 January 12, 2006 Board Meeting

1. OPEN MEETING, ATTENDANCE AND AGENDA

The January board meeting was opened at 10:00 a.m. CST, January 12, 2006 in the district office, Colby, KS by President Robin Deeds. There were no changes to the published agenda.

Board members present for some or all of the meeting were: Dave Mann, Doug David, Robin Deeds, Mitch Baalman, Bill Nondorf, Lon Frahm, Dave Rietcheck, Jon Friesen, Scott Maurath and Monty Biggs.

Board Members absent were: Roger Zwegardt

Others present for some or all of the meeting were: Wayne Bossert, Ray Luhman and Dan Simmering – GMD 4 staff; and Kelly Stewart – DWR.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Lon Frahm moved: 1) for approval of the consent agenda including the December 15, 2005 minutes; and 2) the December financial reports including the December, 2005 expenditures totaling \$23,631.81. Dave Rietcheck seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

3. MANAGER'S REPORT

In addition to the items listed in the board packet, Wayne Bossert asked to discuss item c. regarding the newsletter. The issue was a review of the newsletter costs and if changes were needed to lower costs. Six options were listed and discussed briefly. ***Dave Mann moved to make no changes and continue production of the newsletter as is. Lon Frahm seconded the motion which passed unanimously.***

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. None

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Kansas Water Congress Dues:** ***Lon Frahm moved that the Kansas Water Congress dues be paid. Doug David seconded the motion which passed unanimously.*** Regarding the proposed e-mail on the Kansas v. Colorado award damages, the board's position was that the e-mail not be sent.

b. **2006 Revised Operating Budget:** President Robin Deeds opened the public hearing at 11:30 a.m. There were no members of the general public present. GMD 4 staff presented testimony regarding various line item amendments as follows. All the highlighted figures were adjusted from the previously approved 2006 initial budget. The hearing was closed at 11:40 a.m.

2006 - Final Taxed		2006 - Revised (Staff Proposed)	
\$7,200.00		\$7,200.00	
	\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00
	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00
\$8,800.00		\$7,500.00	
	\$8,800.00		\$7,500.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00
\$1,600.00		\$1,700.00	
\$1,600.00		\$1,800.00	
\$13,975.00		\$14,500.00	
	\$1,300.00		\$700.00
	\$4,500.00		\$4,500.00
	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00
	\$4,000.00		\$4,300.00
	\$0.00		\$800.00
	\$175.00		\$200.00
\$4,700.00		\$4,700.00	
\$214,600.00		\$225,295.00	
	\$205,000.00		\$215,695.00
	\$9,600.00		\$9,600.00
\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00	
	\$6,500.00		\$6,500.00
	\$3,500.00		\$3,500.00
\$25,040.00		\$45,740.00	
	\$2,200.00		\$2,200.00
	\$2,700.00		\$3,400.00
	\$140.00		\$140.00
	\$20,000.00		\$40,000.00
\$33,100.00		\$33,100.00	
	\$2,100.00		\$2,100.00
	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00
	\$29,000.00		\$29,000.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00
\$400.00		\$400.00	
	\$400.00		\$400.00
\$77,500.00		\$236,461.20	
	\$77,500.00		\$236,461.20
	\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00
\$9,900.00		\$9,650.00	
	\$2,300.00		\$2,300.00
	\$5,300.00		\$5,300.00
	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
	\$550.00		\$300.00
	\$150.00		\$150.00
	\$600.00		\$600.00
\$13,900.00		\$11,900.00	
	\$10,900.00		\$8,900.00
	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00
\$0.00		\$48,977.77	
\$11,235.00		\$11,235.00	
	\$10,335.00		\$10,335.00
	\$900.00		\$900.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00
\$0.00		\$0.00	
\$700.00		\$700.00	
	\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$500.00		\$500.00
	\$200.00		\$200.00
	\$434,250.00		\$670,858.97

In discussion it was stated that the new bottom line figure of \$670,858.97 represented the total of \$434,077.71 due from assessments, \$224,390.22 from 2005 cash carryover, \$7,391.04 due from Graham County (a "short" error in their 2005 distribution), and \$5,000.00 estimated interest. It was also stated that the \$236,461.20 in line item 221 represented the Foundation CD of \$158,961.20 plus the assessed for \$77,500.00 for 2006.

Doug David moved that the following resolution be adopted as AR-06-1:

WHEREAS the 2006 budget of \$434,250.00 approved originally on June 9, 2005 (AR-05-2) requires amending in order to at least incorporate the 2005 cash carryover funds of \$224,390.22; and

WHEREAS the district lawfully scheduled and conducted a public hearing to consider all testimony regarding the budgeting of carryover funds and other issues;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the 2006 budget shall be revised as follows based on all testimony provided to the board during the lawfully conducted public hearing:

2006 - Approved Revised Budget	
\$7,200.00	
	\$6,000.00
	\$1,200.00
\$7,500.00	
	\$7,500.00
	\$0.00
\$1,700.00	
\$1,800.00	
\$14,500.00	
	\$700.00
	\$4,500.00
	\$4,000.00
	\$4,300.00
	\$800.00
	\$200.00
\$4,700.00	
\$225,295.00	
	\$215,695.00
	\$9,600.00
\$10,000.00	
	\$6,500.00
	\$3,500.00
\$45,740.00	
	\$2,200.00
	\$3,400.00
	\$140.00
	\$40,000.00
\$33,100.00	
	\$2,100.00
	\$2,000.00
	\$29,000.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
\$400.00	
	\$400.00
\$236,461.20	
	\$236,461.20
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
\$9,650.00	
	\$2,300.00

	\$5,300.00
	\$1,000.00
	\$300.00
	\$150.00
	\$600.00
\$11,900.00	
	\$8,900.00
	\$3,000.00
\$48,977.77	
\$11,235.00	
	\$10,335.00
	\$900.00
	\$0.00
\$0.00	
\$700.00	
	\$0.00
	\$500.00
	\$200.00
	\$670,858.97

Dave Mann seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

6. OPEN SESSION - PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS - None

7. DWR REPORT

Kelly Stewart mentioned 5 things about the metering program:

- 1) Meter orders have taken a significant amount of time for himself and Ray;
- 2) Held 3 public meetings which were fairly well attended and went well;
- 3) Continues to work with Topeka to set up the data base which is likely to be an FTP site;
- 4) They are receiving lots of notices of proof (N&P) so field work will begin very soon; and
- 5) Clarified that all meters are being required to N&P by March 1.

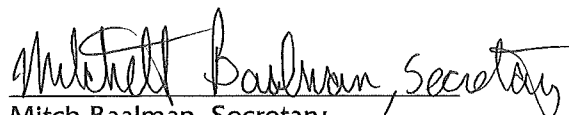
8. SET NEXT MEETING DATE AND CONSIDER FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The March meeting was scheduled for March 9, 2006 and the April meeting was scheduled for April 6, 2006.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by President Deeds with no objection at 2:00 p.m. CST on January 12, 2006.

Respectfully submitted:


 Mitchell Baalman, Secretary