

**Rural Water District #9**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Leavenworth County, Kansas**  
**March 17, 2026**

The monthly meeting of Rural Water District #9 was held on Tuesday March 17, 2026 at the District office located at 20551 Parallel Road, Tonganoxie, Kansas 66086.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Armstrong, Ernie Rieke, Don Kirby, Craig Lohman, Byron McFee, Kim Buchanan

Office Manager Karen Armstrong; Operator Andy Grosko

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Cory Criqui

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** None

A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order by Craig Lohman, chairman at 1831 hours.

**1. Agenda: Items to add/remove prior to agenda approval-**

- None

**2. Patron Comments to be added to agenda-**

- None

**3. Approval of meeting agenda**

Ernie Rieke motion to approve the agenda with no additions. Jim Armstrong seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

**4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting-**

Don Kirby motioned to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2026 meeting. Jim Armstrong seconded. Motion passed 4-0. Byron McFee abstained.

**5. Public Opportunity- None**

**6. Board members items added to agenda- None**

**7. Treasurer's Report-**

Manager Armstrong reviewed the accounts receivable & profit/loss report.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report with accounts receivable & profit/loss statement as presented was made by Kim Buchanan, seconded by Don Kirby. Motion passed 5-0.

**8. Operator's Report- Andy Grosko**

- Reviewed the monthly operations spreadsheet.
- Reported the new motor has arrived for the Wholesale building.
- Got the lab results back from the State on the 4 old wells. Now we can begin to blend.
- New check valves at the Clearwell on 3-12-26.
- Invited to tour BPU & KMU presentation on March 3, 2026

**9. Manager's Report- Karen Armstrong**

- Monthly mileage report for Feb/Mar 2026. Ernie Rieke motioned to approval the mileage report for reimbursement. Byron McFee seconded. Motion passed 4-0. Jim Armstrong abstained.
- Update on Comm-Tronix. Installed Sensaphone and all transducer controls.
- Spoke with Sandy Breedlove regarding property on 243<sup>rd</sup>. Holding to see development plan for Hurlbutt properties.
- Discussed employee benefits
- Inquired about hiring a part time employee to train with office manager.
- Perry and Laura Walters signed forfeiture request for benefit unit #192. Kim Buchanan motioned to accept the Walters forfeiture request for benefit unit #192, Jim Armstrong seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- Discussed planning details for the 235<sup>th</sup> Street North project.

**10. Applications for transfer of service**

- Nancy Felix to Brandon Beggs at 19723 Tonganoxie Dr
- Cristin Burnett to Hunter/Savannah Anderson at 24601 Garrett Rd
- Garon/Heidi Wease to Michael/Heather Inich at 21814 McLouth Rd

Jim Armstrong motioned to approve the applications for transfer of service. Kim Buchanan seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

### **11. New Applications for service**

- Breedlove on 243<sup>rd</sup> Street-tabled.
- Matt/Andrea Brock at 22243 Dempsey Rd, Leavenworth, Ks
- Jon Chambers at 00000 219<sup>th</sup> St., Tonganoxie, Ks

Byron McFee motioned to approve the new applications for service. Jim Armstrong seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

### **12. Authorization of payment of bills-**

Don Kirby motioned to authorize payment of the current bills. Jim Armstrong seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

### **13. Adjournment**

Motion was made to adjourn meeting by Jim Armstrong. Don Kirby seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 2043 hours.

Respectfully submitted

Kim Buchanan, Secretary