

REGULAR SESSION –WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2026

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The Board of Public Utilities of Kansas City, Kansas (aka BPU, We, Us, Our) met in Regular Session on Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at 6:00 PM. The following Board Members were present: Rose Mulvany Henry, Vice President; Brett Parker, Secretary; Stevie A. Wakes Sr., David Haley, Chase Cook, and Gary Bradley-Lopez.

Also present: Jeremy Ash, General Manager; Angela Lawson, Acting Chief Counsel; Andrew Ferris, Chief Financial Officer; Abbey Frye, Chief Administrative Officer; Leigh Mulholland, Chief Compliance Officer; Jerin Purtee, Interim Chief Operating Officer; Darrin McNew, Executive Director Electric Operations; Steve Green, Executive Director Water Operations; Steve Nirschl, Director Water Processing; Dennis Dumovich, Director of Human Resources; Amber Oetting, Director Communications & Marketing; Gabriela Freeman, Director of Customer Care; Brian Laverack, Director of Network Operations; Phillip Brown, Director Civil Engineering; Durward (DJ) Johnson, Senior Civil Engineer; Steven Hargis; Supervisor Water Operations; Dominique Hampton, Communications Specialist; and Robert Kamp, IT Project Manager.

A video of this meeting is on file at the Board of Public Utilities and can be found on the BPU website, www.bpu.com.

Prior to the Regular Meeting there was an installation ceremony for re-elected Board member David Haley, and newly elected Board members Chase Cook, and Gary Bradley-Lopez.

The Honorable Bill Klapper administered the Oath of Office to, Mr. David Haley, At Large- Position 2.

The Honorable Bill Klapper administered the Oath of Office to, Mr. Chase Cook, Second District.

The Honorable Candice Alcaraz administered the Oath of Office to, Gary Bradley-Lopez, At Large- Position 1.

Ms. Mulvany Henry called the Board meeting to order at 6:24 PM. She welcomed all that were listening to or viewing the meeting, and informed all that the meeting was being recorded including video and audio.

Ms. Mulvany Henry introduced herself and the other Board members along with the General Manager, and Legal Counsel.

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Roll call was taken and all Board members were present.

Item #3 – Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the Agenda of January 7, 2026, by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Parker, and unanimously carried.

Item #4– Consent Agenda

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda of December 3, 2025, by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Wakes, and unanimously carried.

Consent Items:

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session of December 3, 2025
- b. Approval of the Preliminary November 2025 Financials

Item #5– General Manager Comments

Mr. Ash recognized and welcomed the newly sworn in Board members, Mr. Haley, Mr. Cook, and Mr. Bradley-Lopez. He thanked the new and existing Board members for their service, and said he looked forward to working alongside them to live the BPU Mission, lead with values, and serve the community with pride and care.

Item #6– Board Comments

Mr. Haley expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve another term on the Board, and said he looked forward to working with the other Board members to serve the community.

Mr. Cook thanked his family for their support and the BPU team for a smooth onboarding process. He said he looked forward to working with the other Board members and the BPU team over the next four years.

Mr. Wakes thanked the newly sworn in members, Mr. Cook and Mr. Bradley-Lopez, welcomed Mr. Haley back, and expressed excitement to continue their work as a Board.

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Mr. Parker congratulated the three members on their election victories and said he looked forward to working with them. He expressed appreciation again for Mr. Groneman and Ms. Gonzales for their service and support and hoped to pay that forward to the new members.

Mr. Bradley-Lopez said he looked forward to serving on the Board for the people of Wyandotte County, and to work alongside the BPU team and other Board members. He said his goal was to learn and to work as a team to continue to move BPU forward.

Ms. Mulvany Henry echoed previous comments and welcomed the two new Board members, as well as re-elected Board member Haley. She said she was excited to work with the Board and for the work ahead. She expressed gratitude to Mr. Groneman and Ms. Gonzales for their leadership and years of service.

Item 7- Adjourn

At 6:34 PM a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Parker, and unanimously carried.

ATTEST: 
Secretary

APPROVED:

President