

2023 Kansas Statutes

82a-2304. Same; authorization of district; members; incorporating governing body. (a) There is hereby authorized the lower smoky hill water supply access district.

(b) Upon receipt of an application for membership within the district, the director of the Kansas water office may determine the need to create an incorporating governing body for the district, and upon such determination, shall certify to the secretary of state and the members of the district that such district is eligible for formation and should be incorporated. The notice of certification should fix a date, time and place for an organizational meeting of such district.

(c) The members of the district shall meet on the date and time set by such director to form the incorporating governing body of such district.

(d) The incorporating governing body, if created, shall consist of five directors. Eligible water rights holders, or their representatives, who apply for membership, shall be the incorporating entities and shall determine the articles of incorporation. Such articles of incorporation shall provide the board of directors of the lower smoky hill water supply access district so formed, shall have an odd number of directors and shall include a provision that no less than one representative of the lower smoky hill special irrigation district serve as a member of the lower smoky hill water supply access district board, if such special irrigation district is formed under the provisions of this act. Upon incorporation of the district, such incorporating governing body shall dissolve and shall be replaced by the governing body as determined by the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the district.

(e) The directors of the incorporating governing body shall elect an incorporating chairperson. The chairperson, on behalf of the incorporating governing body, shall attest to all documents necessary for incorporation of the district by the secretary of state and for the business of the district. The secretary of state shall issue a certificate of incorporation for the district, which shall be filed of record in the office of the register of deeds of each county in which all or a portion of the district lies.

(f) Upon recordation of such certificate of incorporation, the district shall be authorized to function in accordance with the provision of this act and its certificate of incorporation. No action attacking the legal incorporation of any district organized under this section shall be maintained unless filed within 30 days after the issuance of such certificate of incorporation for such district by the secretary of state, nor shall the alleged illegality of the incorporation of any such district be interposed as a defense to any action brought after such time.

History: L. 2011, ch. 89, § 4; July 1.