

KPP LIGHTNING ROUND**July 2026**

Registration Open for KPP Energy 2026 Annual Conference

SEPTEMBER 17, 2026 - WICHITA, KANSAS

Registration is now open for KPP Energy's 2026 Annual Conference, taking place on Thursday, September 17. Once again, we're excited to bring you a full day of industry updates, practical learning, and networking with public power professionals from across Kansas.

This year's keynote speaker is Dr. Jen Golbeck, an internationally recognized expert in artificial intelligence (AI), social media, psychology, online privacy, and digital safety. Her background is nothing short of impressive.

Dr. Golbeck earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and both a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Computer Science from the University of Chicago. She also earned a Master of Liberal Arts in Psychology from Harvard University and a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Computer Science from the University of Maryland, where she is now a professor in the College of Information and an affiliate professor in two additional departments. She also served as Director of the University's Human-Computer Interaction Lab for four years.



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Throughout her career, Dr. Golbeck has studied how people behave online and how technology influences those behaviors. Her research explores topics such as artificial intelligence, social media, privacy, online trust, cyberbullying, misinformation, political polarization, and digital harassment. She has developed computer models that can predict interests, preferences, and even personality traits using publicly available online data. She has also helped develop tools that measure trust and relationships across social media networks. Simply put, her work combines the science behind technology with the psychology behind human behavior.

Dr. Golbeck is also an accomplished author. She has written four books and more than 200 peer-reviewed research articles. Her work has appeared in publications including Esquire, Slate, The Atlantic, Los Angeles Times, Wired, Psychology Today, and HuffPost.

Despite her remarkable credentials, Dr. Golbeck is known for being engaging, relatable, and easy to talk to. She brings complex topics to life through fascinating stories about AI gone wrong, surprising uses of personal data, and the rapidly changing digital world, all presented in a way

that's informative, entertaining, and easy to understand. Outside the classroom and the lab, Dr. Golbeck and her husband rescue special needs golden retrievers, earning her the affectionate nickname "the internet's dog mom." She even wrote the children's book *The Golden Ratio: Fun in the Sun* and co-authored *The Purest Bond: Understanding the Human-Canine Connection*.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear from one of the world's leading voices on artificial intelligence, social media, and online behavior. We look forward to seeing you in Wichita!



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City of Lucas Planning Electric Distribution System Upgrades to Support Industrial Expansion

The City of Lucas is planning significant upgrades to its electric distribution system to accommodate the continued expansion of its largest industrial customer, Great Plains Manufacturing.

KPP Energy staff, in partnership with Utility HelpNet and Pipes Utility Contractors, are working closely with City staff to plan, design, and implement improvements to a primary distribution feeder serving the manufacturing facility.

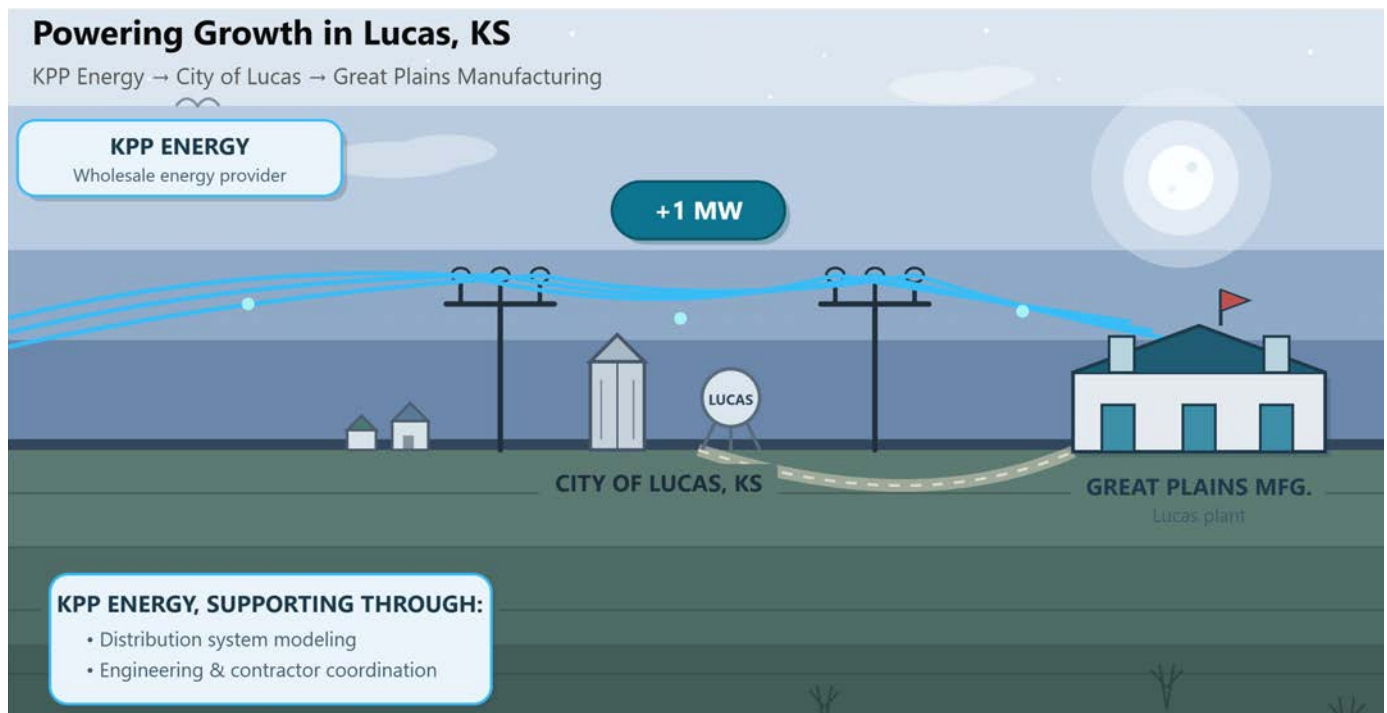
As part of its expansion, Great Plains Manufacturing plans to add approximately 500 to 750 kW of new HVAC load to support increased production capacity. To reliably serve this additional demand, the City will need to upgrade portions of its electric distribution infrastructure.

The proposed improvements include:

- Reconductoring a primary distribution feeder serving the facility.
- Replacing and upgrading distribution poles along the feeder route.
- Upgrading one of the two distribution transformers serving the manufacturing plant to provide additional capacity and maintain system reliability.

To support the project, KPP Energy completed a comprehensive distribution feeder analysis study that evaluated the existing system, identified capacity constraints, and provided recommendations for the infrastructure improvements necessary to accommodate the anticipated load growth.

These upgrades will enhance the reliability and capacity of the City's electric system while supporting the continued growth and long-term success of one of Lucas's largest employers.



KPP Energy's Caterpillar Generation Projects Continue to Gain Momentum

MIKE SHOOK, DIRECTOR OF ENERGY SERVICES



KPP Energy's initiative to install four 3-MW Caterpillar C175-16 generator sets across the member cities of Ellinwood, Greensburg, and Mulvane continues to make steady progress toward construction.

Working in partnership with two of the participating member cities—Ellinwood and Mulvane, which will share ownership of three of the four generating units — KPP has successfully completed the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) construction air permitting application process. The permitting effort was completed with the support and expertise of Power Plant Compliance Services.

Project development continues to advance on multiple fronts. Surveying activities have been completed at each

of the three project sites, and legal descriptions for the required easements are currently being finalized.

KPP staff are also working closely with ElectriComm Engineering and Utility HelpNet Engineering to complete the civil, electrical, and mechanical design efforts in preparation for equipment delivery and project construction. The projects remain on schedule for an anticipated commercial operation date during the third quarter of 2027.

Upon completion, the four Caterpillar C175-16 generating units will add approximately 12 MW of dispatchable generation capacity to KPP Energy's resource portfolio. This investment will strengthen KPP's ability to meet Southwest Power Pool (SPP) Resource Adequacy requirements by providing a dependable, cost-effective capacity resource, while also enhancing electric system reliability and resiliency for the host member communities of Ellinwood, Greensburg, and Mulvane.



Johnson Receives APPA Mark Crisson Award

NATIONAL AWARD RECOGNIZES LEADERSHIP AND MANAGERIAL EXCELLENCE

Timothy Johnson, KPP Board of Directors President and Director of Public Utilities of City of Augusta Electric Utility, received the Mark Crisson Leadership and Managerial Excellence Award during the American Public Power Association (APPA) National Conference in Boston, Massachusetts.

The award recognizes managers at a utility, joint action agency, or state or regional association who steer their organizations to new levels of excellence, lead by example, and inspire staff to do better. It is named in honor of Mark Crisson, who served as APPA's president and CEO from 2007 to 2014 and was a longtime champion of public power and leadership excellence.

APPA noted in reporting on the award that, "Tim is a transformational leader who elevates his organization to excellence. He empowers employees at all levels to grow as leaders, promotes collaboration across departments,

and celebrates staff achievements, inspiring a high-performing and engaged workforce. His strategic vision has driven significant infrastructure advancements and long-term planning initiatives that position the utility for growth."

"His support in enriching others extends to sharing best practices and insights across the public power community, whether at APPA events or in his service as President of the KPP Energy Board," APPA noted.

APPA is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. The national association represents public power before the federal government to protect the interests of the more than 49 million people that public power utilities serve, and the 96,000 people they employ.

Hearty congratulations to Tim and the City of Augusta on the prestigious national award!



City of Haven Hosts Town Hall on Electric and Water Infrastructure Improvements

The City of Haven hosted a town hall meeting on Wednesday, July 15, to discuss a proposed 1% citywide sales tax that would help fund critical electric and water infrastructure improvements.

A primary focus of the discussion was the planned modernization of Haven's electric distribution system through the conversion of its existing 4.16-kV distribution network to a 12.47-kV system. The upgrade would align the city's distribution voltage with Evergy's incoming 12.47-kV supply, improving system efficiency, reliability, and operational flexibility.

Haven's existing 4.16-kV system has experienced voltage-related issues for years, including brownouts during periods of peak demand. In addition, the system

lacks looped feeders and redundant supply capabilities, limiting the city's ability to maintain service during outages and planned maintenance.

KPP Energy has worked closely with the City of Haven on this project for several years. In 2023, KPP assisted the city in preparing and submitting a grant application under the U.S. Department of Energy's Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP) Program to help fund what was then estimated as a \$4.6 million project. Although the application was unsuccessful, KPP continued to support the city's efforts. When a subsequent round of grant funding became available, Haven's project unfortunately did not meet the program's minimum cost threshold for consideration,

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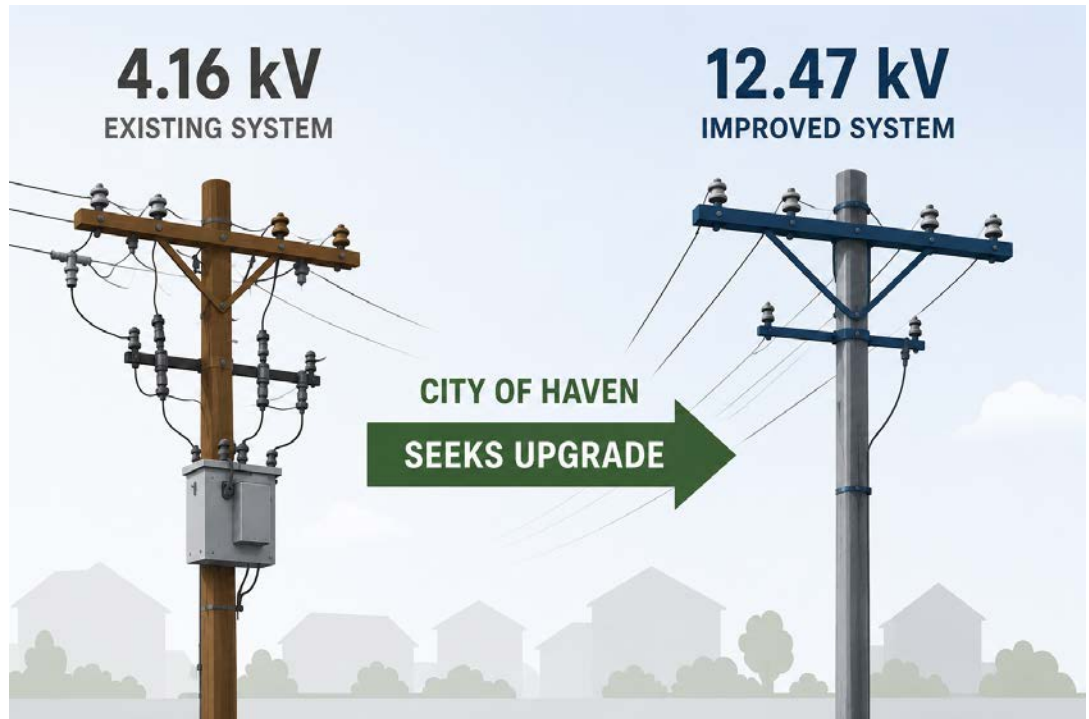
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despite updated estimates placing the project at approximately \$6 million.

City officials also discussed the need for significant future improvements to Haven's water system, particularly those associated with compliance with the EPA's Lead and Copper Rule Improvements. While a cost estimate has not yet been established, city leaders emphasized the importance of planning now for these future infrastructure investments to ensure the continued delivery of safe, reliable drinking water.

To help finance these projects, officials presented a proposal to implement a permanent 1% city sales tax. The city's municipal advisor explained that the tax is projected to generate approximately \$212,000 annually, sufficient to support the debt service on roughly \$3 million in bonds.

KPP Director of Energy Services Mike Shook and Director of Member Services Leslie Atherton attended the meeting to assist city staff by answering questions about the proposed electric system improvements and explaining the long-term benefits of investing in public power infrastructure.



During the discussion, one resident suggested the city consider selling its electric distribution system to an investor-owned utility. That question provided an opportunity to explain the long-term value of municipal ownership, including local control over rates and reliability, community-focused decision-making, and the financial benefits that public power provides to Haven residents. As Haven's former City Clerk, Atherton also shared her perspective on the importance of preserving the city's electric utility as a long-term community asset.

A second town hall meeting is scheduled for July 30, with KPP representatives once again planning to attend. Haven voters will decide the proposed sales tax during the August 4th election.



Members of APPA's Policy Makers Council Gather in Washington, D.C., to Advocate for Public Power Priorities

HILLSBORO MAYOR LOU THURSTON MEETS WITH KANSAS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

Public power leaders from across the U.S. gathered in Washington, D.C. in mid-July for the American Public Power Association (APPA) Policy Makers Council (PMC) annual fly-in.

The PMC is comprised of governing officials from public power utilities, including mayors, city council members, and elected or appointed board members. Hillsboro Mayor and KPP Immediate Past President Lou Thurston serves on the council.

At the Washington, D.C. fly-in, more than 25 PMC members (and 10 non-PMC members who are employees of APPA members) visited D.C. While there, the public power representatives held approximately 40 meetings with Senators and Representatives from all across the country. Thurston held meetings with Senators Roger Marshall and Jerry Moran and Representative Derek Schmidt.

On July 14th, PMC members convened in APPA's headquarters in Arlington, Va., where they discussed various legislative and regulatory priorities. Scott Corwin, President and CEO of APPA, participated in the meetings.

PMC members then headed to Capitol Hill on July 15 to advocate for key policy priorities in meetings with their House and Senate members.

APPA's priorities in 2026 are:

- Maintaining affordability
- Protecting electric reliability
- Enacting energy permitting reform
- Mitigating the threat from wildfires
- Supporting and strengthening FEMA

Members of the PMC meet twice a year in Washington, D.C. and at least once a month by Zoom.



Above: Hillsboro Mayor and KPP Immediate Past President Lou Thurston meets with U.S. Senator Jerry Moran.



Above: APPA Policy Makers Council members meeting at APPA Headquarters, July 14, 2026



KPP Announces Change to Payment Information

BMO LOCKBOX SERVICES ARE MOVING TO FIRST CITIZENS BANK

Effective September 8, 2026, KPP Energy's BMO deposit, loan, and lockbox accounts will be transitioning from BMO to First Citizens Bank. Because the physical lockbox address is changing, it is imperative that the remittance address be updated by September 4, 2026 — before the transition takes effect. Mail sent to the old address will be forwarded only until December 9, 2026. After that, it will be returned to sender.

In October 2025, BMO announced it was selling 138 branches across states including Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma to First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company as part of a strategic effort to optimize its U.S. branch network and reinvest in higher-growth markets.

KPP Energy's accounts fall within that acquired branch footprint and treasury management services are being carried over from BMO to First Citizens which requires the physical remittance address to change along with the underlying bank.

If you have any questions regarding the changing addresses for physical payment to KPP Energy, please contact Ivan Seward, KPP Senior Accountant, at iseward@kpp.energy or at 316.264.3166.

NEW LOCKBOX ADDRESSES

FIRST-CLASS MAIL

KPP ENERGY
P.O. Box 661109
Dallas, TX 75266-1109

COURIER (UPS, FEDEX, ETC.)

KPP ENERGY
C/O Deluxe – First Citizens Bank
Lockbox 661109
3000 Kellway Dr. Suite 120
Carrollton, TX 75006



APPA Joins White House Ratepayer Protection Pledge

KPP ENERGY SHARES AFFORDABILITY POSITION

On July 23, the White House hosted an event expanding the Ratepayer Protection Pledge, a voluntary initiative meant to shield American electricity customers from the rising costs of powering the nation's data center boom. The expansion brought the total signatory count past 300 organizations, including 23 governors, 55 investor-owned utilities, 106 electric cooperatives, and 27 data center developers. These new entities joined the seven hyperscale technology companies that signed the original pledge in March. Combined, signatories now account for roughly 80 percent of the power delivered to American homes and businesses, an estimated 263 million people.

American Public Power Association President and CEO Scott Corwin signed on behalf of the public power sector, joining Nebraska Governor Jim Pillen and other officials at the event. "We are pleased to be a signatory to the Ratepayer Protection Pledge on behalf of public power, which aligns with our position that other utility customers should not bear the brunt of the costs of serving data centers," Corwin said. Public power signatories named alongside APPA include Nebraska Public Power District, Omaha Public Power District, Salt River Project, the Tennessee Valley Authority, Santee Cooper, the Large Public Power Council, and several state and regional joint action agencies.

The pledge sets out five commitments: building, bringing, or buying the power supply new data centers require; covering the full cost of new delivery infrastructure; paying negotiated rates whether or not the power is used; investing in local workforce

development; and coordinating with grid operators on resilience.

As a Kansas joint action agency and part of the broader public power community APPA represents, KPP Energy shares the affordability position that Corwin articulated: costs of serving large new data center loads should fall on the entities driving that demand, not on existing customers in KPP's 24 member communities.

The pledge is voluntary and carries no federal enforcement mechanism, so its practical effect on KPP's member communities will depend on how state regulators and individual utilities implement these commitments. APPA said it appreciates the Administration's recognition of the cost pressures data centers place on other ratepayers, pointing to its own Public Power Affordability Agenda as evidence the sector was already moving in this direction before the event.



Above: Ratepayer Protection Pledge graphic released by the White House.



July Board Meeting Review

COLIN HANSEN, CEO / GENERAL MANAGER



The KPP Energy Board of Directors held their regular monthly meeting on July 23, 2026, in Wichita and virtually. A summary of highlights from the meeting is provided here.

June 2026 ECA

Chief Operating Officer James Ging reported that June

costs came in at approximately \$492,000 under budget. Transmission costs were below budget by \$80,420, while energy costs were favorable by \$701,047. However, capacity costs exceeded budget by \$288,731. Sales performance was mixed, with demand below budget by 4% but energy above budget by 3%. The resulting ECA was negative \$0.01547 per kWh compared to a budgeted negative charge of \$0.00751.

Financial Report

Chief Financial Officer Vickie Matney presented preliminary financial statements through May 31, 2026, showing a change in net position of \$2,745,736. Total assets stood at approximately \$170.8 million, while generation resource ECA collections and disbursements totaled \$9.8 million. The Board unanimously accepted the financial report as presented.

CEO Report

CEO & General Manager Colin Hansen briefed the Board on several significant developments:

- The PACE project refinancing is complete. The 2026 bonds for the PACE project closed on June 25 with entries booked. Hansen thanked KPP's financial and legal teams for their work.

- Data centers continue to be the main focus of activity within the electric industry. Hansen noted recent moratoriums either enacted or being considered. Nationwide efforts, including the Ratepayer Protection Pledge and the advancement of the Ratepayer Protection Act, are being considered to try and protect ratepayers from bearing the cost to serve data centers.
- FERC issued Show Cause Orders to six RTOs/ISOs, including SPP, regarding data center and large load interconnection rules, with responses due August 17. SPP's order carries fewer directives due to its existing flexible interconnection process.
- A Supreme Court decision in Trump v. Slaughter will have significant implications for independent federal agencies such as FERC.

Large Load Guidelines Approved

The Board unanimously endorsed the new KPP Energy Large Load Guidelines. Staff recommended transitioning the document from a policy to guidelines and adding a deficiency payment section. The Board directed staff to remove any reference to the document being a "policy" and ensure consistency throughout and passed a motion to endorse the guidelines.

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PACE Project Update

The PACE solar project remains on schedule with all seven sites active and 100% of modules, piles, and trackers delivered. Mechanical installation is underway, with Winfield approximately 90% complete and Wellington mobilizing July 31. Electrical construction is scheduled to begin August 14, with commissioning in mid-August. The project is on track for commercial operation by October 15, 2026 and final completion by December 31.

CAT Generation Project Update

The Caterpillar C175 generation project continues to advance with site development, engineering partnerships being finalized with ElectriComm and Utility HelpNet, and equipment procurement underway. The Board viewed photos from a site visit to Neodesha's Caterpillar installation.

Priority Power Asset Management Agreement

The Board approved the Asset Management Agreement with Priority Power Management (PPM) for the seven PACE solar facilities. The agreement covers day-to-day operations

and maintenance services under an initial three-year term with auto-renewal for 1-year periods. Approval was provided by the Board conditional upon final approval by KPP General Counsel.

Additional Reports

Chief Strategy Officer Eric Alexander presented the market report with weather outlooks, load prices, energy prices, and natural gas and crude oil prices. He also highlighted Lazard's 2026 Levelized Cost of Energy report, showing the continued competitiveness of renewable generation and the increasing value of dispatchable resources.

COO James Ging provided the Operations Report and noted a potential financing assistance request from the City of Lucas. CSO Eric Alexander submitted his written strategy report and provided the Board with background on the Weather Normalized Load Forecast Methodology. Additional written reports were submitted by Energy Services, Member Services, and General Counsel.



Event Calendar

DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST 13, 2026

KPP Generation Task Force Meeting
Clay Center, Kansas

AUGUST 20, 2026

KPP Board Meeting

SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

KPP Board Meeting

SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

KPP Annual Conference

OCTOBER 15, 2026

KPP Board Meeting

NOVEMBER 6, 2026

KPP Rate Forum

DECEMBER 11, 2026

KPP Annual Membership Meeting

JANUARY 21, 2027

KPP Board Meeting

FEBRUARY 25, 2027

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MARCH 18, 2027

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