Minutes

KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY
Wichita, Kansas

December 19, 2018

CALL TO ORDER:
Chairman Gary Harshberger called the December 19, 2018 Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. at the AgFarm Credit Bldg, Wichita, KS

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Gary Harshberger, Chairman; Mike Armstrong; John Bailey; Greg Graff; Randy Hayzlett; Calvin Kissick; Brad Loveless; Karma Mason; Mark Fischer; Alan King; Dennis Schwartz; Dan Devlin; David Barfield; Rolfe Mandel; Ed Martinko; Leo Henning; Earl Lewis; Steve Adams

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Lynn Wobker; Ted Nighswonger; Bob North

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion No. 12-18-01
It was moved by Mark Fischer and seconded by Randy Hayzlett the August 22, 2018 Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

KWA/PWS Committee:
2019 Surplus Water Report

Cara Hendricks presented on surplus yield in the 14 reservoirs.

Motion No. 12-18-02
It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Vin Kissick to approve the Surplus Water Available in Water Marketing Program Lakes, Calendar Year 2019 report and authorize the Director to enter into surplus water supply contracts for water defined to be surplus by the report. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

Federal Update:
Cara Hendricks and Ginger Harper presented

Motion No. 12-18-03
It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by Karma Mason to enter into a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA) with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Kansas River Reservoirs Flood and Sediment Study. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

KWA/RAC Operations Committee:
RAC Membership-Kendal Francis

Greg Graff and Matt Unruh presented

Motion No. 12-18-04
The following 4 Membership Appointments were moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by John Bailey to approve the motions. Kendal Francis of Great Bend was appointed to the PWS (cc) position with a term expiration of June 30, 2019.
The reassignment of current RAC member, **Kyle Spencer** (At Large Public-CC) to represent the currently vacant Groundwater Management Position while maintaining Kyle’s current expiration date of June 30, 2021 was approved.

**Richard Randall** of Scott City was appointed to the At Large Public (cc) position previously held by Kyle Spencer with a term expiration of June 30, 2021.

**Shelly Turner** of Healy was appointed to the At Large Public 2 position which re-categorizes Shelly’s position from At Large Public to Financial, with a term expiration of June 30, 2021.

**Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**KWA/RAC Operations Committee:**

**RAC Messages to the KWA**

**Greg Graff and Matt Unruh** presented

**Motion No. 12-18-05**

It was moved by **Greg Graff** and seconded by **Randy Hayzlett** to approve the proposed resolutions for RAC messages to the KWA from the Cimarron, Equus-Walnut and Upper Arkansas RAC’s.

**Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**KWA/RAC Operations Committee:**

**RAC Training**

**Matt Unruh** discussed a premise for the need to train RAC members and how future RAC training could take place, through K-State Research and Extension

**Interstate Water Management Fund:**

**David Barfield** provided an update of current interstate compacts & uses, including resources allotted being funded with the IWMF.

**Water Injection Dredging at Tuttle Creek Lake:**

**John Shelley** presented on behalf of the USACE on the current status of a WID pilot project, specifically a short-term demonstration at Tuttle Creek Lake.

**Vision Implementation Update:**

**Kansas Reservoir Protection Initiative**

**Matt Unruh** provided information concerning KRPI and the initial sign-up period is underway.

**Vision Implementation Update:**

2018 **Harmful Algal Bloom Update**

**Leo Henning** provided an update on HAB’s

**Vision Implementation Update:**

2018 **Water Technology Farm Update**

**Armando Zarco** provided an update on the Water Technology Farm program

**KWA Annual Report to the Governor and Legislature:**

**Matt Unruh and Cara Hendricks** provided an update.
Motion No. 12-18-06  It was moved by Mike Armstrong and seconded by Greg Graff to approve the KWA Annual Report to the Governor and Legislature as presented, with final editing for details given to KWO Staff.

Non-Public Household Water Well Project:

Jack Brown and Dr. Elizabeth Ablah presented.

Director’s Report:  Presented by Earl Lewis

New Business:  David Barfield-provided an update regarding online water use reporting fees
Leo Henning-provided commentary on the EPA/USDA letter to KDHE/KDA trying to reinvigorate nutrient reduction in the state. EPA Region 7 is requesting a meeting with NRCS to look at new opportunities.

Adjournment  The KWA adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Dennis Schwartz, Acting Chair  Earl Lewis, Acting Secretary