Minutes

KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY

April 18, 2019
Abilene, Kansas
Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Gary Harshberger called the April 18, 2019 Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. at the Civic Center, Abilene, KS

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Harshberger; chairman; John Bailey; Mark Fischer; Greg Graff; Calvin Kissick; Karma Mason; Ted Nighswonger; Lynn Wobker; Dennis Schwartz

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Patty Clark; Earl Lewis; David Barfield; Rolfe Mandel; Dan Devlin; Brad Loveless; Rob Reschke; Ed Martinko; Leo Henning

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Armstrong, Alan King, Randy Hayzlett,

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT: Shari Feist Albrecht, Mike Beam

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion No. 04-19-01
It was moved by Karma Mason and seconded by Mark Fischer the January 31, 2019 Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. Motion carried with no dissenting votes. Information found on page 1 of meeting materials.

KWA/PWS Committee:
City of Lawrence Draft Contract Discussion
Cara Hendricks presented.

KWA/PWS Committee:
Marketing Rate CY2020

Motion No. 04-19-02
It was moved by John Bailey and seconded by Lynn Wobker to set the CY 2020 Water Marketing variable rate at $0.418/1000 gallons. 
Motion carried with no dissenting votes. Information found on page 3 of meeting materials.
KWA/PWS Committee:
Access District Updates

Nate Westrup and Kirk Tjelmeland presented.

KWA/RAC Operations Committee:
Membership & RAC Message to the KWA

Motion No. 04-19-03
It was moved by Greg Graff and seconded by Calvin Kissick to approve the proposed RAC membership action for the Upper Arkansas RAC. Motion carried with no dissenting votes. Information found on page 5 of meeting materials.

KWA/RAC Operations Committee:
2019 RAC Membership Timeline

Matt Unruh provided an update. Information found on page 5 of meeting materials.

KWA/RAC Operations Committee:
Upper Ark Message

Fred Jones provided a message.

Central Kansas Water Bank Assoc. Evaluation Update:
Matt Unruh provided an update.

Water Technology Farms:
2018 Data Report

Armando Zarco provided an update. More information found in attached presentation.

HAB Update:
Trevor Flynn presented. More information found in attached presentation.

Potential PFCs Regulation and Contamination:
Leo Henning presented on behalf of the KDHE. More information found in attached presentation.
Legislative & Budget Update

2020 Budget Process

Karma Mason gave an update. Information found on page 6 of meeting materials.

Water Vision/ Water Plan:

Earl Lewis presented. Information found on page 9 of meeting materials.

Overview of USGS Activities Nationally and in Kansas:

Andy Ziegler presented. Information found in attached presentation.

KWO/KWA Operations- Cooperative Agreements:

USGS Streamgaging Agreement
USGS KS River Water Quality Monitoring Agreement
USGS Neosho River Sediment Monitoring Agreement
USGS Big Blue R. WQ/Sed. Monitoring Agreement
USGS Clay Center WQ/Sed. Monitoring Agreement
Corps Planning Assistance to States (PAS)

Motion No. 04-19-04

It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Mark Fischer to give approval to the Director to enter into agreements with the U.S. Geological Survey for the Streamgaging Network, Kansas River Water Quality Monitoring, Neosho River Sediment Monitoring, Monitoring on the Republican River at Clay Center above Milford Lake, Monitoring on the Kansas River below Tuttle Creek Lake, and with the Corps of Engineers for the Kansas River Sediment Management/WID Study.

Motion carried with no dissenting votes. More information found on page 12 of meeting materials.

Federal Updates:

Kansas River Basin Study Update

Cara Hendricks provided an update. Information found on page 15 of meeting materials.

Federal Updates:

WOTUS Update

Leo Henning provided an update. Information found on page 16 of meeting materials.

Director’s Report:

Presented by Earl Lewis; discussion of Missouri River flooding (more information in attached presentation), upcoming Missouri
RAC meeting, Kansas Runs on Water campaign support from Governor Leo Henning- provided an update on the Nutrient Management Plan. David Barfield- provided information regarding the Wichita ASR, the GMD5 LEMA, and WCAs. Rolfe Mandel- announced Ed Martinko’s retirement from the Kansas Biological Survey.

New Business:

Adjournment The KWA adjourned at 3:04 p.m.