Minutes

KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY

Aug 17, 2017
Pittsburg, Kansas
Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Gary Harshberger called the Aug 17, 2017 Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 8:55 a.m. at Memorial Auditorium, Pittsburg, KS

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Harshberger, Chairman; Mike Armstrong; John Bailey; Mark Fischer, Greg Graff; Randy Hayzlett; Alan King; Calvin Kissick; Brad Loveless; Karma Mason; Dennis Schwartz; Ted Nighswonger; Lynn Wobker; Rolfe Mandel; Ed Martinko; Rob Reschke; Dan Devlin; Tracy Streeter

MEMBERS ABSENT: Pat Apple; Jackie McClaskey; Nick Jordan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion No. 08-17-01 It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Mark Fischer the May 17, 2017 Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

KWA/KWO OPERATIONS:
Lower Republican Background

Earl Lewis provided this update.

Lower Republican River Basin Feasibility Study for Reservoirs Update

Katie Miller, with Burns & McDonnell provided this update.

Lower Republican River Basin Oasis Model, Final Report

Andrea Brookfield, with Kansas Geological Survey provided this update.

Research Coordination Work Group

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Presented by Ed Martinko and Dan Devlin
Moved by Brad Loveless, seconded by Greg Graff-to direct KWO to work with KWRI regarding research legislation.

KWA/PWS Committee-Negotiation Requests

Motion No. 08-17-02 It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by John Bailey to approve the Kansas Water Office to enter into negotiations for the Wolf Creek Marketing Contract.
LEGISLATURE/BUDGET UPDATE:

SWPF Update FY 17-18

**Karma Mason** provided this update.

SWPF Budget Discussion FY 19

**Karma Mason** provided this update.

**Motion No. 08-17-03**

It was moved by **Karma Mason** and seconded by **Mark Fischer** to adopt the recommendation of the KWA Budget Committee for the SWPF Funding priorities for FY 2019

Water Planning Update:

Lower Water Quality Summit Update

**Matt Unruh** provided this update.

KWA RAC COMMITTEE:

RAC Member Appointments

**Greg Graff** and **Matt Unruh** presented

**Motion No. 08-17-04**

It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Ted Nighswonger to adopt the RAC Operations Committee recommendation for RAC member appointments as noted.

Equus-Walnut

**Steve Hieger** presented an update.

Kansas

**Sarah Hill-Nelson** presented an update.

Marais des Cygnes

**Lori Kuykendal** presented an update

Missouri

**Carl Johnson** presented an update.

Neosho

**Angela Anderson** presented an update.

Smoky Hill-Saline

**Martha Tasker** presented an update.

Verdigris

**John Black** presented an update.

GMD Assessment Fee Proposed Legislation

**Calvin Kissick** and **Tim Boese** presented this update.
DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Tracy Streeter provided the Director’s Report.

NEW BUSINESS:
HR3383 Legislation
Ginger Harper presented an update.

Motion No. 18-07-05
It was moved by Karma Mason and seconded by Mark Fischer to endorse HR3383, a bill to designate the Wichita-Valley Center Flood Control Project as the M.S. “Mitch” Mitchell Floodway.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: October 10, 2017 Conference Call

Adjournment
The KWA adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

Gary Harshberger, Chairman
Tracy Streeter, Secretary