

## Smoky Hill-Saline Regional Advisory Committee Meeting

10:00 AM (CST), Friday, March 19, 2020

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### Member Attendance:

Name	City	Category	Term	Present
Bevin Law (Chair)	Longford, KS	Conservation	2021	Yes
Holly Dickman (Vice-Chair)	Hays, KS	Large Public Water Supply	2023	Yes
Daniel Baffa	Salina, KS	Conservation/Environment	2021	Yes
Tom Lutgen	Salina, KS	Industry/Commerce (cc)	2023	No
Chris Meyer	Sylvan Grove, KS	Agriculture (cc)	2023	No
Tim Sanders	Chapman, KS	Agriculture 2	2021	Yes
Timothy Scheck	Russell, KS	Industry/Commerce 2	2021	No
Baron Shively	McPherson, KS	Conservation/Environment 2	2023	Yes
Brad Shogren	Lindsborg, KS	Irrigation	2021	Yes
Martha Tasker	Salina, KS	Public Water Supply (cc)	2023	Yes
Jon Quinday	Russell, KS	At Large Public 2	2023	Yes
VACANT	VACANT	At Large Public (cc)	2021	N/A
VACANT	VACANT	Small Public Water Supply	2023	N/A

### Others in attendance:

Name	Affiliation
Keadron Pearson	KWO
Connie Owen	KWO
Kirk Tjelmeland	KWO
Lauren Koons	KWO
Sara Maguire	KWO
Douglas Helmke	KRWA
Jeff Crispin	City of Hays
Brian Meier	Burns & McDonnell
Tracy Streeter	Burns & McDonnell

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** The meeting was called to order at 10:02 A.M. (CST) by Chairman, Bevin Law. All present provided self-introductions.
2. **Review of Agenda:** The agenda was reviewed. There were no adjustments or additions needed.
3. **Review of July 2020 Meeting Notes:** The meeting notes from the July 2020 meeting were discussed. There were no additions or corrections.
4. **Updates:**
  - a. **Kansas Water Authority (KWA):** Keadron Pearson (KWO) informed the RAC of recent updates that had occurred to the KWA.

- b. **Kansas Water Office (KWO):** Keadron Pearson (KWO) gave an update on personnel and agency changes that had occurred since the last RAC meeting.
- c. **Legislative:** Keadron Pearson (KWO) gave an overview on the House Committee on Water and provided an update on what has been occurring with the State Water Plan Budget.

### 5. Regional Activities:

- a. **Kansas Water Plan Update:** Keadron Pearson (KWO) shared with the RAC the progress that there had been on the Kansas Water Plan update. The group was shown where they could find the draft sections of the Water Plan that had been presented to the KWA and other pertinent information on the KWO web page.
- b. **Letter from Kansas Rural Water Association:** Douglas Helmke (Kansas Rural Water Association) presented to the group on a letter he submitted informing the RAC of Rural Water District No. 2's adoption of a new Source Water Protection Plan on October 15, 2020. The letter also requested the committee's general support of source water protection throughout the Smoky Hill-Saline Region. The presentation was followed by questions and answer by the RAC. The motion was made by Dan Baffa to support source water protection throughout the Smoky Hill-Saline regional planning area. Brad Shogren seconded the motion. No discussion was had and the motion passed.
- c. **Goals & Actions Plan Discussion:** RAC members discussed ways to started carrying out their Goals & Actions Plan and initial steps that can be taken. They also talked about information that would be helpful to have presented to the committee at future meetings. It was requested to have more information on the Water Injection Dredging (WID) study and to have Kari Bigham with K-State present on Streambank Stabilization. Jon Quinday expressed to the group that he would work to obtain more information on direct potable reuse. It was also requested for the RAC to receive a copy of the Kansas Health Institute's report on a water reuse study from the Planner.
- d. **Membership Status:** The Chair reminded the RAC of two vacancies on the committee for "At Large Public (cc)" and "Small Public Water Supply". Keadron Pearson (KWO) informed the RAC of members whose terms are up for renewal this year and that they will be receiving further information in the coming months on this.

### 6. Other Business:

- a. **Agency Reports –**  
Kirk Tjelmeland (KWO): Informed the RAC of recent updates to KWO.
- b. **Public Comments –** None
- c. **Questions and Future Agenda Items from RAC Members –** It was requested that the next meeting be in the last two weeks of April. Keadron Pearson (KWO) will send out a Doodle Poll to members to get date and time set.
- d. **Messages to the KWA –** None
- e. **Future Meeting –**
  - i. Governor's Water Conference: November 16-18

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 A.M. (CST).