

Smoky Hill-Saline Regional Advisory Committee Meeting

8:00 AM (CST), Tuesday, July 21, 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	At Large Public 2	2021	Yes
John Leiker	Ellis, KS	Small Public Water Supply	2023	No
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	Conservation/Environment (cc)	2021	N/A

Others in attendance:

Name	Affiliation
Keadron Pearson	KWO
Bobbi Luttjohann	KWO
Cara Hendricks	KWO
Lauren Koons	KWO
Nate Westrup	KWO
Connie Owen	KWA
Jeff Crispin	City of Hays
Steve Frost	KDA - DOC
David Bollenback	KCC
Sharon Condit	National Rural Water Assoc.

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** The meeting was called to order at 8:03 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 June Meeting Notes:** The meeting notes from the May meeting were discussed. There were no additions or corrections.
4. **Updates:**
 - a. **Kansas Water Authority (KWA) June Meeting** – Keadron Pearson (KWO) informed the RAC of updates and information presented during the meeting.

Membership: Bevin Law, Chair, Longford, KS; Holly Dickman, Vice-Chair, Hays, KS; Daniel Baffa, Salina, KS; John Leiker, Ellis, KS; Tom Lutgen, Salina, KS; Chris Meyer, Sylvan Grove, KS; Tim Sanders, Chapman, KS; Timothy Scheck, Russell, KS; Baron Shively, McPherson, KS; Brad Shogren, Lindsborg, KS; Martha Tasker, Salina, KS; Jon Quinday, Russell, KS.

KWO Planner: Keadron Pearson, 620-765-7489, keadron.pearson@kwo.ks.gov

b. **RAC Chairs Meeting** – Bevin Law, Chair, gave an overview of information discussed during the meeting.

5. **Regional Activities:**

a. **Budget Discussion and Recommendations:** A presentation was given by Cara Hendricks, KWO Assistant Director, over the State Water Plan Fund that included budget information specific to the region. The presentation was followed by discussion from RAC members on areas of interest that they wish to pass on as budget recommendations to the KWA for consideration. A motion was made by Brad Shogren and seconded by Dan Baffa to send the following Budget Recommendation Message to the KWA:

The Smoky Hill-Saline RAC supports the proposed budget and would like to highlight the following priorities that are important to fund in order to accomplish and carryout the goals and actions plan of the Smoky Hill-Saline RAC. These items include Water Resources Cost-Share (KDA) and Streambank Stabilization (KDA) that help promote water quality, increased aid to Conservations Districts (KDA), increased support for programs that provide education and outreach to the public, and Kansas Runs on Water (KWO).

There was no discussion and unanimous approval was given

b. **RAC Goals & Actions Plan Update Recommendations** – Members reviewed revisions made to the RAC Goals & Actions Plan made during the previous meeting. Additional updates were made to goals 3 and 4 based on comments and feedback received from members of the committee. A motion was made by Dan Baffa to accept the updated Goals & Actions Plan as presented to be sent to the KWA for approval. The motion was seconded by Jon Quinday. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

6. **Other Business:**

a. **Agency Reports** –

Keadron Pearson (KWO): Informed the RAC of the next KWA meeting on July 30.

b. **Public Comments** – None

c. **Questions and Future Agenda Items from RAC Members** – None

d. **Messages to the KWA** – None

e. **Future Meeting** –

i. July KWA Meeting Conference Call: July 30, 2020

ii. Governor’s Conference on the Future of Water in Kansas: November 9-10, 2020; Wichita

iii. KWO Winter Water Tech Expo: February 2021

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 A.M. (CST).