

## Minutes

### KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY

December 17, 2015

Ellsworth, Kansas

Regular Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Gary Harshberger called the **December 17, 2015** Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. at the JH Robbins Memorial Library, in Ellsworth, Kansas.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gary Harshberger, Chairman; Mike Armstrong; John Bailey; David Barfield; Rex Buchanan; Dan Devlin; Mark Fischer; Greg Graff; Randy Hayzlett; Robin Jennison; Brad Loveless; Edward Martinko; Karma Mason; Don Paxson; Sue Schlapp; Dennis F. Schwartz; Tracy Streeter; and Lynn Wobker.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Shari Feist Albrecht; Gary Mason; Jackie McClaskey;

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**Motion No. 12-17-29** It was moved by Karma Mason and seconded by Mark Fischer that the **August 20, 2015** Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### KWA/KWO OPERATIONS:

*NIDIS Grant Contract:* Earl Lewis presented the NIDIS Grant Contract for approval.

**Motion No. 12-17-30** It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by John Bailey to give approval to the Kansas Water Office Director to continue to develop the scope for accepting this award of \$150,000 from the National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS) through University Corporation of Atmospheric Research, (UCAR) to conduct a drought tournament. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*Weather Modification:* Earl Lewis presented the Weather Modification Permit to Operate for approval.

**Motion No. 12-17-31** It was moved by Don Paxson and seconded by Lynn Wobker to grant a weather modification permit to operate to Western Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 1 for the period of April 16, 2015 through September 15, 2016, contingent on receipt of proof of liability that covers the entire operational period. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### KWA RAC COMMITTEE:

*RAC Membership:* Greg Graff presented the KWA RAC Committee report and asked for approval of three new RAC members: Tyson McGreer, Upper Republican; Mike Arent, Cimarron and Bob Seiler, Equus-Walnut.

**Motion No. 12-17-32** It was moved by Greg Graff and seconded by Dennis Schwartz to approve the three nominees as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

## KWA PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE

*WRRDA Sec. 1046(d)*

*Report, Future Use Storage:* **Dennis Schwartz** presented WRRDA Sec. 1046(d) Report, Future Use Storage for approval and submission to the Corps of Engineers.

**Motion No. 12-17-33** It was moved by **Dennis Schwartz** and seconded by **Brad Loveless** to approve the Future Use Storage Plan for submission to the Corps of engineers by January 1, 2016. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*Surplus Water Report:* **Dennis Schwartz** presented the Surplus Water Report for approval.

**Motion No. 12-17-34** It was moved by **Dennis Schwartz** and seconded by **Mike Armstrong** to approve the Surplus Water Available in Water Marketing Program Lakes, Calendar Year 2016 report and authorize the KWO Director to enter into surplus contracts for water defined to be surplus by the report. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

## VISION IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

*Vision Implementation:* **Tracy Streeter** provided an update on Vision implementation activities.

*Regional Goal Updates:* Regional Advisory Committee chairpersons or their designees provided an update on each regions first priority goal they will be working on.

## UPDATE ON KDA REGULATIONS

*KDA Regulations:* **David Barfield**, KDA-DWR provided an update on the Kansas Department of Agriculture regulations.

## LEGISLATURET UPDATE:

*CREP:* **Tracy Streeter** presented the Draft CREP legislation.

**Motion No. 12-17-35** It was moved by **Don Paxson** and seconded by **Dennis Schwartz** to support legislation enabling the implementation of the conservation Reserve Enhance Program in Kansas. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*HB 2245:* **Tracy Streeter** presented an update on HB 2245.

**Motion No. 12-17-36** It was moved by **Mark Fischer** and seconded by **Brad Loveless** to create a subcommittee (KWO, KWA & KDA) to review the bill and/or help with alternative language. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**KWA 2016 ANNUAL REPORT**

*2016 KWA Annual Report:* **Earl Lewis** presented the KWA 2016 Annual Report for approval

**Motion No. 12-17-37** It was moved by **Dennis Schwartz** and seconded by **Brad Loveless** to give the Kansas Water Office approval to complete the 2016 Annual Report to the Governor and Legislature using the decisions made at today's meeting and to prepare it for printing and distribution. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** **Tracy Streeter** provided the Director's Report.

**Adjournment** The KWA adjourned at **3:30 pm.**



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Gary Harshberger, Chairman



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Tracy Streeter, Secretary

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### KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY Hutchinson, Kansas

August 20, 2015

Regular Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Gary Harshberger called the **August 20, 2015** Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. at the Atrium Hotel & Conference Center in Hutchinson, Kansas.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gary Harshberger, Chairman; Steve Adams (KDWPT); Mike Armstrong; John Bailey; Rex Buchanan; Dan Devlin (KSU); Mark Fischer; Greg Foley; Greg Graff; Randy Hayzlett; Lane Letourneau (KDA-DWR); Brad Loveless; Edward Martinko; Gary Mason; Karma Mason; Don Paxson; Jackie McClaskey; Sue Schlapp (KDOC); Dennis F. Schwartz; Tracy Streeter; and Lynn Wobker.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Shari Feist Albrecht; David Barfield; John Floros; Robin Jennison

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**Motion No. 08-20-11** It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Don Paxson that the **May 20-21, 2015** Minutes for the Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### KWA/KWO OPERATIONS:

*USGS StreamStats:* Earl Lewis presented the USGS StreamStats Program agreement and the EPA Wetland Program Development Grant for approval.

**Motion No. 08-20-12** It was moved by Don Paxson and seconded by Gregg Graff to give approval to the Kansas Water Office Director to enter into an agreement with the USGS, Office of Surface Water for the final implementation of the Kansas StreamStats web application and to enter into an agreement with U.S. EPA Region 7 for the 2015 Wetland Program Development Grant as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### KWA PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE:

*Committee Update:* Dennis Schwartz provided an update from the KWA PWS Committee.

*Future Use Storage Update:* Burke Griggs provided an update on the Future Use Storage.

#### GOVERNOR SAM BROWNBACK:

Governor Sam Brownback stopped to address the committee during his western Kansas tour.

#### VISION UPDATE:

*Regional Goals* Earl Lewis presented the Regional Goals for approval.

**Motion No. 08-20-13** It was moved by Karma Mason and seconded by Gregg Graff to approve the Regional Goals as presented and recommended they be included in the Long-Term Vision for the Future of Water Supply in Kansas. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### WATER RIGHT IMPAIRMENT PRESENTATION:

Burke Griggs provided a presentation on water right impairment to the Kansas Water Authority.

**CITY OF HUTCHINSON PRESENTATION:**

Don Koci, City of Hutchinson provided a presentation on the 4<sup>th</sup> & Carey Groundwater Remediation and the Reverse Osmosis Water Treatment Center Project.

**KWA RAC COMMITTEE:**

*IPM #4 Update:*

Earl Lewis presented the updated IPM#4 for adoption.

**Motion No. 08-20-14**

It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by Don Paxson to approve adoption of the updated IPM #4 as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*RAC Membership:*

Earl Lewis and Greg Graff presented Kansas Water Authority Regional Advisory Committee membership recommendations for approval.

**Motion No. 08-20-15**

It was moved by Randy Hayzlett and seconded by Lynn Wobker to approve the Cimarron Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-16**

It was moved by Karma Mason and seconded by John Bailey to approve the Equus-Walnut Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-17**

It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Randy Hayzlett to approve the Great Bend Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-18**

It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by Mike Armstrong to approve the Kansas Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-19**

It was moved by Don Paxson and seconded by Brad Loveless to approve the Marais des Cygnes Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-20**

It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by Randy Hayzlett to approve the Missouri Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-21**

It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by John Bailey to approve the Neosho Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-22**

It was moved by Mark Fischer and seconded by Karma Mason to approve the Red Hills Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-23**

It was moved by Karma Mason and seconded by Lynn Wobker to approve the Smoky Hill-Saline Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-24**

It was moved by Don Paxson and seconded by Randy Hayzlett to approve the Solomon-Republican Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-25**

It was moved by Randy Hayzlett and seconded by Mark Fischer to approve the Upper Arkansas Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-26**

It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by Don Paxson to approve the Upper Republican Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-27**

It was moved by Greg Graff and seconded by Lynn Wobker to approve the Upper Smoky Hill Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 08-20-28**

It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Brad Loveless to approve the Verdigris Regional Planning Area proposed membership as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**KWO STREAMBANK PRESENTATION:**

Rob Reschke provided a presentation on streambank restoration.

**LANDOWNER PREFERENCES FOR RIPARIAN FOREST BUFFERS IN THE TUTTLE CREEK WATERSHED PRESENTATION:**

Thad Rhodes, KFS provided a presentation.

**KWA BUDGET COMMITTEE:**

*Committee Update*

Karma Mason provided an update on the KWA Budget Committee activities.

**VISION PROJECT UPDATES:**

Tracy Streeter provided an update on Vision projects.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Tracy Streeter provided the Director's Report.

**Adjournment**

The KWA adjourned at 3:21 pm.

  
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Gary Harshberger, Chairman

  
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Tracy Streeter, Secretary

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### KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY Greensburg, Kansas

May 20, 2015

Regular Meeting

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Gary Harshberger called the **May 20, 2015** Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. at the Twilight Theatre, Greensburg, Kansas.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gary Harshberger, Chairman; Mike Armstrong; John Bailey; David Barfield; Rex Buchanan; Dan Devlin (KSU); Mark Fischer; Raymond Flickner; Greg Foley; Greg Graff; Randy Hayzlett; Robin Jennison; Lane Letourneau (KDA); Brad Loveless; Edward Martinko; Gary Mason (KDHE); Karma Mason; Don Paxson; Jackie McClaskey; Sue Schlapp (KDOC); Dennis F. Schwartz; Tracy Streeter; and Lynn Wobker.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Shari Feist Albrecht; John Floros; Pat George;

#### REGIONAL GOAL LEADERSHIP TEAMS

The Vision Team provided an update on the Regional Teams and Stakeholder outreach.

*Draft Regional Goals:* The Regional Goals Leadership Team Chairperson provided the Draft Regional Goals to the Full Authority.

### KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY Greensburg, Kansas

May 21, 2015

Regular Meeting

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Gary Harshberger called the **May 21, 2015** Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. at the Twilight Theatre, Greensburg, Kansas.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gary Harshberger, Chairman; Mike Armstrong; John Bailey; David Barfield; Rex Buchanan; Dan Devlin (KSU); Mark Fischer; Raymond Flickner; Greg Foley; Greg Graff; Randy Hayzlett; Robin Jennison; Brad Loveless; Edward Martinko; Gary Mason (KDHE); Karma Mason; Don Paxson; Jackie McClaskey; Sue Schlapp (KDOC); Dennis F. Schwartz; Tracy Streeter; and Lynn Wobker.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Shari Feist Albrecht; John Floros; Pat George;

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**Motion No. 05-21-07** It was moved by **Karma Mason** and seconded by **Don Paxson** that the **January 29, 2015** Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

## **KWA/KWO OPERATIONS:**

*USGS Streamgaging Agreement; USGS Kansas River Taste & Odor Monitoring Agreement; USGS Neosho River Sediment Monitoring Agreement; USGS Equus Beds Aquifer Modeling Agreement*

Earl Lewis presented the USGS Streamgaging Agreement; USGS Kansas River Taste & Odor Monitoring Agreement; USGS Neosho River Sediment Monitoring Agreement; and the USGS Equus Beds Aquifer Modeling Agreement.

### **Motion No. 05-21-08**

It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Brad Loveless to give approval to the Kansas Water Office Director to enter into an agreement with the USGS for the Streamgaging Agreement; USGS Kansas River Taste & Odor Monitoring Agreement; USGS Neosho River Sediment Monitoring Agreement; and the USGS Equus Beds Aquifer Modeling Agreement as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

## **KWA REGIONAL GOALS DISCUSSION:**

### **KWA BAC COMMITTEE:**

*BAC Chairs Report:* Byron Warta provided the BAC Chairs report.

*BAC–RGLT Transition Plan / IPM #4:* Earl Lewis presented the BAC to RAC transition plan / IPM #4.

### **Motion No. 05-21-09**

It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by John Bailey to approve the KWA BAC Committee recommendations to adopt the revised IPM-04, giving the Kansas Water Office editorial license and to further review on June 3 for final approval. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

## **LEGISLATURE/BUDGET UPDATE:**

*Vision 20/20 Letter* Tracy Streeter and Earl Lewis presented Legislature (Vision 2020 letter) and Budget update.

## **KWA PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE**

*Water Marketing Rate* Dennis Schwartz and Margaret Fast presented the Water Marketing Rate for approval.

### **Motion No. 05-21-10**

It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Brad Loveless to approve setting the CY 2016 Water Marketing variable rate at \$0.38/1000 gallons. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*Update on Future Use Storage Timeline*

Dennis Schwartz and Margaret Fast presented an update on the Future Use Storage Timeline.



**TAMARISK RESEARCH & CONTROL:**

**Scott Marsh** presented an update on Tamarisk Research and Control.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** **Tracy Streeter** provided the Director's Report.

**Adjournment** The KWA adjourned at 12:25 pm.

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Gary Harshberger, Chairman

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Tracy Streeter, Secretary

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KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY

January 29, 2015

Topeka, Kansas

Regular Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Gary Harshberger called the **January 29, 2015** Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. at the Ramada Inn Downtown Convention Center, Topeka, Kansas.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gary Harshberger, Chairman;; David Barfield; Rex Buchanan; David Corliss; Dan Devlin (KSU); Mark Fischer; Raymond Flickner; Greg Foley; Greg Graff; Randy Hayzlett; Brad Loveless; Edward Martinko; Karma Mason; Don Paxson; Jackie McClaskey; Dennis F. Schwartz; Tracy Streeter; Mike Tate (KDHE) and Lynn Wobker.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Shari Feist Albrecht; John Bailey; John Floros; Pat George; Robin Jennison; John Mitchell; M.S. Mitchell

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion No. 01-29-01** It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by David Corliss that the **December 22, 2014** Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**KWA PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE:**

*Surplus Supply Report:* Dennis Schwartz and Earl Lewis presented the 2015 Surplus Water Supply Report for approval.

**Motion No. 01-29-02** It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Don Paxson to approve the 2015 Surplus Water Report as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*Future Use Storage  
Timeline:*

Dennis Schwartz and Earl Lewis presented the Future Use Storage Timeline for approval.

**Motion No. 01-29-03** It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Brad Loveless to approve the Future Use Storage Timeline as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**GOVERNOR SAM BROWNBACK ADDRESSED THE KWA**

**KWA BAC COMMITTEE:**

*BAC Message:* Susan Metzger presented the BAC Message to the KWA.

**Motion No. 01-29-04** It was moved by Randy Hayzlett and seconded by Greg Graff to approve the KWO recommendation for approval of the KWA resolution to the BAC Message. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*BAC Membership:* Susan Metzger presented the Cimarron BAC Membership recommendations.

**Motion No. 01-29-05** It was moved by Greg Graff and seconded by Brad Loveless to approve the recommendation of the KWA BAC Committee on the nominations for membership on the Cimarron BAC. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

*BAC Chairs Report:* Susan Metzger, Byron Warta and Margaret Fast presented the BAC Chairpersons report.

#### **VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF WATER IN KANSAS UPDATE:**

Susan Metzger and the Vision Team presented proposed additions and modifications to final version of the Vision for approval.

**Motion No. 01-29-06** It was moved by Don Paxson and seconded by Dennis Schwartz to accept the proposed additions and modifications for incorporation into the final version of the Vision document. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### *Regional Goal Leadership Teams:*

Susan Metzger provided the changes made to the Regional Goal Leadership Teams for approval.

**Motion No. 01-29-07** It was moved by Greg Graff and seconded by Karma Mason to accept the final membership nominations for the Regional Goal Leadership Teams. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### *K-State Research & Extension Overview of the Goal Setting Development Process:*

David Proctor and Trudy Rice presented this information.

**AQUEDUCT REPORT:** Earl Lewis, Mark Rude and Margaret Fast presented the Final Draft of the Update of the 1982 Six State High Plains Aquifer Study.

**Motion No. 01-29-08** It was moved by Randy Hayzlett and seconded by Raymond Flickner to accept the Final Draft of the Update of the 1982 Six State High Plains Aquifer Study, present the study to appropriate legislators and begin discussions with other states on management and allocation of the Missouri River. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### **PAS FOR JOHN REDMOND RESERVOIR MODELING:**

Susan Metzger presented a proposal for a Planning Assistance to States (PAS) agreement for John Redmond Reservoir modeling.

**Motion No. 01-29-09** It was moved by Brad Loveless and seconded by Dennis Schwartz to approve the Director of the KWO to enter into a PAS agreement for John Redmond Reservoir modeling. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

#### **KANSAS WATER PLAN UPDATE:**

Susan Metzger provided an update on the Kansas Water Plan.

**LEGISLATIVE & BUDGET OVERVIEW:**

Susan Metzger and Earl Lewis provided an update on Legislation and the Budget.

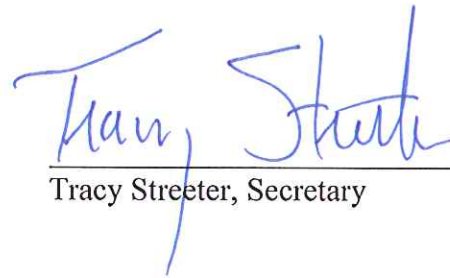
**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Tracy Streeter provided the Director's Report.

**Adjournment** The KWA adjourned at **12:30** p.m.



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Gary Harshberger, Chairman



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Tracy Streeter, Secretary