
Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee
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The meeting of the Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman, Randy Hayzlett on November 18th, 2008 at 9:23 a.m. The meeting was held at the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District Office located at 409 Campus Drive, Suite 108 in Garden City, Ks.

Present:

Randy Hayzlett	Al Knoll
Ron Conway	Steve Hines
Harold Knoll	Michael Meyer
Hal Scheuerman	Kevin Salter
Mark Rude	Patty Stapleton

Absent with Notice:

Dave Brenn
Diane Coe

Chairman Randy Hayzlett asked for discussion on the meeting agenda. Steve Hines moved to approve the agenda, Al Knoll seconded and motion passed with all in favor.

Mark Rude read the minutes from the September 29th, 2008 meeting. Corrections were suggested for wording on the second page bullets 2 and 3. Bullet 2 change "Budget Summary" to read "Funds Summary" and delete the word Budget from "Project Budget Summary". Steve Hines moved to approve the minutes as corrected, Al Knoll seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

Randy Hayzlett updated the committee regarding the South Side Ditch right of way acquisition. He advised the committee an individual affiliated with the main canal has expressed significant concerns with South Side Ditch right of way authority. GMD3 will contact their attorney on behalf of the committee to seek an opinion.

Discussion was held on the start of work on restore capacity of South Side Ditch for the South Side Alternate Delivery System. Mr. Hayzlett stated that South Side Ditch is agreeable to start work by the end of the year. Some estimates for dirt work have been received. Consensus of the committee was to start work on the upper side of the ditch. Mr. Stoppel had advised that he could do ½ mile of ditch cleaning work a day.

Kansas Water Office has requested support for the CREP Program. Two amendments have been suggested; 1. 50% of the land should qualify for limited irrigation; this will help land from blowing. 2. Limited irrigation for 2 calendar years. Mr. Rude updated the committee by advising them that some counties have maxed out with 5,000 acres in the program and term permits are available through DWR. Randy advised that he was asked to write a letter of support for the amendments and would like guidance on how to sign; as an individual or a representative of the committee. Hal Scheurman moved to send letter in support of the amendments and have Randy Hayzlett sign as a representative. Ron Conway seconded and the motion passed.

Designation of signatures of the vouchers for payment recommendations to GMD3 was discussed. Steve Hines moved that the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee should sign all vouchers. Harold Knoll seconded and the motion passed.

Discussion was held on engineering proposals for the projects. Consensus of the board was to have the bills and notices sent to the person representing the project and then forwarded to the GMD3. Mark will check with the auditor on the proper procedure.

Mark Rude mentioned to the committee that Robin Jennison, Federal Chair appointee to ARCA, may or may not maintain his appointment due to the Presidential Elections and the new administration. This was considered further in discussion.

Mark Rude spoke on the preferred interstate supply evaluation update. Advising that conversations have taken place and there are concerns. Mark hopes to have scope of work and preliminary assessment completed by February.

Mark will mail approved minutes to Tracy Streeter by 11-19-08, so state approval on South Side Ditch and Lake McKinney will be completed.

Steve Hines moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 a.m. Al Knoll seconded and motion passed.


