

Arkansas River Litigation Funds Committee
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The meeting of the Arkansas River Litigation Funds Committee was called to order by Chairman, Randy Hayzlett on September 29, 2008 at 1:35 p.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	Ron Conway
Dave Brenn	Steve Hines
Harold Knoll	Michael Meyer
Hal Scheuerman	Kevin Salter
Mark Rude	Patty Stapleton
Diane Coe (By Phone)	

Absent with Notice:

Al Knoll

Chairman Randy Hayzlett asked for discussion on the meeting agenda. Through much discussion the agenda was formed and Hal Scheuerman moved to approve the completed agenda, Ron Conway seconded and motion passed with all in favor.

Mark Rude read the minutes from the September 9th, 2008 minutes. Ron Conway moved to approve the minutes, Hal Scheuerman seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

Randy Hayzlett spoke to the committee regarding the South Side Ditch Application. Advising those present that the project will restore the capacity of the South Side Ditch, resulting in beneficial results for a more efficient method of delivering surface water to the Farmer's and Garden City Ditches and a more efficient South Side Ditch canal with restored original capacity. Randy advised the committee that the dollars on the application was taken from the feasibility study that was completed by Burns and McDonald, October 9th, 2007. Through much discussion Mark Rude moved to consider the project as proposed, request approval from GMD3 and Kansas Water Office as applied for in the application. Funding should be authorized at \$200,000 to initiate Right of Way and Engineering expense for the project, engineering work must be completed to meet permitting needs. Harold Knoll seconded and motion passed with all in favor.

Mark Rude brought the Lake McKinney expenditure to the committee, advising that the application was recommended for approval by this committee to go in front of GMD3 Board of Directors. However, a recommendation of some expenditure is needed. Steve Hines moved to recommend \$200,000 for engineering fees and completion of Right of Way. Hal Scheuerman seconded, motion passed with all in favor.

Mark Rude brought the application of Preferred Interstate Supply Evaluation for Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 3 to the committee's attention. Explaining the project is twofold. First it will conduct a review of the Arkansas River operational factors controlled by the Kansas and Colorado Arkansas River Compact and associated agreements and the draft Court decree that settles the Ks vs. Co. Supreme Court Case and determine which of them can be managed to maximize the water supply into Kansas and GMD3. Secondly, to review the river infrastructure and existing project studies to identify the project and operating protocol that would enhance the water supply. Mark advised that funding for this project is estimated at \$100,000. Hal Scheuerman moved to approve the application in present form and recommend the proposed funding subject to GMD3 approval. Steve Hines seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

Steve Hines brought the letter application of the Frontier Ditch Company to the committee's attention. He informed the committee that a grant is being requested to engineer and replace the flume across the West Bridge Creek. The flume is used to get water across West Bridge Creek for the Frontier Ditch Company. The floor is rusting badly; the length is approximately 165 feet with the capacity of approximately 55 CFS. No estimate of cost has been figured. Through much discussion the committee stated that guidelines or criteria for acceptable types of projects is needed for consideration of the committee. Mark Rude offered to initiate a set of draft criteria to start the development process. The application is pending until further information is gathered.

Mark Rude passed around a copy of the draft Fund Budget Summary for all to review, asking the committee for advice on how to set up the summary. With much discussion it was concluded to make the following changes:

1. Change the Budget Summary form to be a continual summary not a fiscal year summary.
2. Complete two different summary pages, one being "Fund Summary" and the other being "Project Summary".
3. "Project Summary" will include the added columns of Estimated Budget, Approved Expenditure (with a footnote stating pending GMD3 approval, reference at the bottom of the page) and Expenses to Date

Steve Hines questioned the members if a project overseer is needed. It was agreed upon that there should be one person designated as the point person for each of the projects, this spokes person will assist the public with questions regarding their specific project. As far as a project overseer Mark will bring the question to the GMD3 Board of Directors.

Ron Conway moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m. Hal Scheuerman seconded. The meeting was adjourned will all in favor.

