

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 January 3rd, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District Office located at 2009 E. Spruce Street, Garden City, KS.

Present by phone or in person:

Randy Hayzlett	Committee Chairman and Southside Representative
Ron Conway	Committee Vice-Chairman and Lake McKinney Representative
Steve Hines	Frontier Ditch Representative
Al Knoll	Garden City Ditch Representative
Hal Scheuerman	Kearny County Farmers Irrigation Association (Amazon Ditch) Representative
Diane Coe	Kansas Water Office
Kevin Salter	Interstate water engineer, DWR
Mark Rude	Committee Treasurer, GMD3 Executive Director
Patty Stapleton	Committee Recording Secretary, GMD3 Office Administrator
Jason Norquest	GMD3 Assistant Manager
Harold Knoll	Associated Ditches
David Brenn	Kansas Commissioner, ARCA & GMD3 Board (Surface Water)

Absent with Notice

Mike Meyer Water Commissioner, KSDA-DWR

Agenda and Meeting Minutes Approval

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 August 3rd, 2011 meeting. Corrections were completed throughout the reading. Steve Hines moved to approve the minutes with the noted corrections. Al Knoll seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

Projects Update

Frontier Ditch

Steve Hines announced the Frontier Ditch is almost complete. Steve spoke with the general contractor and both were in agreement that sealing of the flume ends would wait until weather warms up. Steve will be holding a conference call with Jonathon Jones and Dave Foss to discuss some issues of concern regarding the project. \$2,000 is being charged for engineers to go back to the site and review their work. Steve estimated the budgeted total of \$500,000 would be spent.

Amazon Headgate

Hal Scheuerman reported that Klaver Construction should be on site in the near future. Hal announced a change did occur regarding the thickness of the walls. Originally, in 2002, the walls were going to be 12 inches thick. But due to updated construction 18 inch walls were more advisable. When Hal visited with the engineers they stated Klaver Construction should have the floor completed by the end of January.

Bureau of Reclamation Grants: GMD3

Mark Rude announced some informational details regarding the System Optimization Review under the WaterSMART grant. Initial field work has been completed. A list of items to be addressed is being drafted for review. There are a lot of time consuming items for this project and the list will aid in prioritizing the most needed items. The engineers would like a list of 3 or 4 items from each ditch project pin pointing the beneficial optimization areas in water deliveries. A potential enhancement is the Bear Valley Flood Mitigation / Recharge.

Preferred Interstate Supply Assessment

Mark asked the committee "What should Sprink Water Engineers focus on next?" The concerns downstream are two-fold. How do we manage the high flow we receive from Colorado? And the second is what about the quality. We have proceeded with baseline information to evaluate the Bear Valley Flood mitigation and recharge project. Mark stated that a grant of \$10,000 could be given to help fund LiDAR if local match was found. Kearny and Grant counties will provide \$2,500.00 each. GMD3 Board has approved \$5,000 from the project Preferred Interstate Supply Assessment funds providing the Project Committee approved the action. Hal Scheuerman moved to approve \$5,000.00 to enable the LiDAR work from the PISE fund. Al Knoll seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

Mark stated a conversation was held with the Bureau of Reclamation regarding rural water. This project was placed on hold until water quality is researched. Currently a Basin Planning Grant for Water Quality is available to complete the research. An indication for a full proposal of the grant was provided. A meeting with the Bureau of Reclamation will be held this Friday to discuss further.

KWO reporting requirements / GMD3

Lewis, Hooper and Dick will be in the GMD3 office for the 2011 audit on January 10th. A report will be provided around the 18th of January.

Future Projects

Finney County Water Users Association

Chairman Randy Hayzlett reminded the committee that it's important to be aware of future projects. And to make sure the funds are used for projects within funds guidelines.

Mark stressed the importance of representation from Finney County Water Users Association. Harold Knoll is no longer on the committee for Finney County Water Users. However, he is President of the Associated Ditches. Harold stated that he will attend the next meeting of the Finney County Water Users to insure continued representation.

Reports

ARCA Meeting

Kevin Salter reported on the ARCA Meeting.

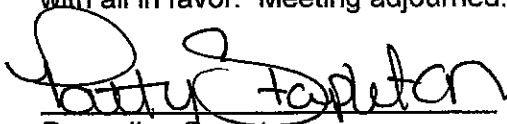
- The Super Ditch provided a short version of the engineering presentation.
- Ken Knox spoke on behalf of the Lamar Canal Pipeline Proposal. At the request of Mr. Knox a review of the Special Engineering Committee was completed. After some reflection both states decided this was better suited for Engineering Committee.
- ARCA will review the proposal from the City of Trinidad Amendments.
- Fountain Creek – junior water rights on all the ditches in the area are opposing the proposal.
- Federal Chairman Applicants: Dennis McKinney from Kansas and Jim T. Rizzuto President of Otero Community College put their names in as applicants for Federal Chairman.
- The Annual ARCA meeting will be held in Garden City, KS, December 5th and 6th, 2012

Future Meeting

The consensus of the committee that a future meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Adjournment

Steve Hines moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 a.m. Al Knoll seconded. Motion passed with all in favor. Meeting adjourned.


Recording Secretary


Committee Chairman