

May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**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 May 8th, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held at the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District Office located at 2009 E. Spruce Street, Garden City, KS.

**Members Present by phone or in person (\*Voting):**

Randy Hayzlett *	Committee Chairman and South Side Ditch Representative
Ron Conway*	Committee Vice-Chairman and Great Eastern Representative
Steve Hines*	Frontier Ditch Representative
Al Knoll *	Garden City Ditch Representative
Hal Scheuerman*	Amazon Ditch Representative
Harold Knoll	Associated Ditches
Kevin Salter	Interstate water engineer, DWR
David Brenn	Kansas ARCA Representative & GMD3 Board (Surface Water)
Mark Rude	Committee Treasurer, GMD3 Executive Director
Patty Stapleton	Committee Recording Secretary, GMD3 Office Administrator
Jason Norquest	GMD3 Assistant Manager

**Absent with Notice**

Tim Gillan*	Farmers Ditch Representative
Diane Coe	KWO

**Others in Attendance**

Brandy Cole	DWR
Trevor Ahring	GMD3

**Agenda and Meeting Minutes Approval**

Chairman Randy Hayzlett asked for discussion on the meeting agenda. Hal Scheuerman moved to approve the agenda as presented. Steve Hines seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

Mark Rude read the minutes from the April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting. Corrections were completed throughout the reading. Steve Hines moved to approve the minutes with the noted corrections. Ron Conway seconded. The motion passed with all in favor.

**Financial Report**

Mark Rude reported on the financials. After some discussion, Ron Conway moved to approve the financial report and submit it for the annual audit. Steve Hines seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

**GMD3 Assessment**

Mark Rude referenced the 2012 legislative report submitted to the two legislative finance committee chairs and reviewed the GMD3 Administrative Fee voucher. He stated the voucher covers the last year and half. This was a change from the prior administrative fee and period presented earlier to the committee as the auditors determined that a calendar year payment schedule was more appropriate. The total administrative fee for 3% of actual Fund expenditures from last voucher period through December 2011 is \$48,266.62. Hal Scheuerman moved to approve recommendation of payment. Ron Conway seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

**Projects Update**

**Frontier Flume**

Steve Hines reported that water ran this past week and the measuring lateral flume submerged. Research will be completed to fix the problem.

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Steve advised that funds have not been budgeted for the change order that will be submitted on the lateral flume. Discussion occurred regarding the amount that may be needed. Ron Conway moved to recommend authorization of \$2,500 for the Frontier Flume change order. Hal Scheuerman seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

#### **South Side Return Gage**

A voucher was filed and paid by GMD3 for the equipment installation by USGS on the return gage. The one time payment was in the amount of \$12,000. The project funding was made a part of the original grant agreement from the Kansas Water Office. O&M of the gage will be included in annual gage cooperating agreement between USGS and KDA/DWR that is funded with Ark River oil and gas lease state revenue.

#### **Amazon Head Gate**

Hal Scheuerman reported that water is running with the help of the temporary electric drill method of controlling the river gates.

The concrete work between the old and new structure discussed at the April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting has been completed.

The contractor out of Wichita is sub-contracting fence work to a company in Dodge City, KS. The fence will be placed on both sides of the project for safety purposes.

#### **Preferred Interstate Supply Evaluation**

Much discussion occurred regarding the Super Ditch evaluation from Spronk Water Engineers and follow-up evaluations needed as engineering resources become available early next year.

#### **Future Project**

##### **Amazon Flume Funding Application**

Hal Scheuerman brought to the committee's attention the Amazon Flume proposed project. He has received an estimate from Wright Water Engineers and the total replacement projected cost is 1.6 to 1.7 million dollars; with \$170,000 being the cost for engineering work. After review of the proposed options the Amazon Board chose the option of a total replacement. This decision from the Amazon members was based on past repairs that did not hold up well.

After much discussion Steve Hine moved to recommend approval of \$170,000 for engineering work on the Amazon Flume. Ron Conway seconded. Further discussion occurred and Steve Hine withdrew his motion. Mark suggested quantifying numbers from the System Optimization Review (SOR) which will allow us to better prioritize the funds and projects. The consensus of the Arkansas River Litigation Committee was to provide for more evaluation and option development regarding the project, including existing concrete pier evaluations. Steve Hines moved to recommend approval of \$50,000 to further evaluate the structure and further develop options. Ron Conway seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

##### **Update on BOR Grants**

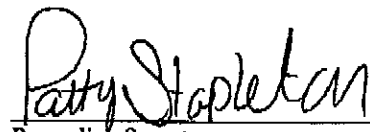
Mark Rude announced the Bi-Annual report for the SOR project has been completed. He will get copies to those interested.

##### **Future Meeting**

The next Arkansas River Litigations Funds Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.

##### **Adjournment**

Ron Conway moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:30 p.m. Hal Scheuerman seconded. Motion passed with all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

  
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Recording Secretary

  
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Committee Chairman