Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee 2009 E. Spruce Garden City, Ks 67846 (620) 275-7147

The meeting of the Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman, Randy Hayzlett on Wednesday, October 8th, 2014 at 2.00 p.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
Troy Dumler Great Eastern Representative
Ty Brookover* Farmers Ditch Representative

Diane Knowles KWO Basin Planner

Mark Rude Committee Treasurer, GMD3 Executive Director

Patty Stapleton Committee Recording Secretary, GMD3 Office Administrator

Others in Attendance

Brandy Cole KDA/DWR Trevor Ahring GMD3

Jason Norquest GMD3 Assistant Manager

Mike Meyer Water Commissioner, KDA/DWR

Jonathan Aquilar KSU Don Whittimore KGS

Katie Miller Burns and McDonald

Absent

Hal Scheuerman* Amazon Ditch Representative Kevin Salter Interstate water engineer, DWR

Agenda and Meeting Minutes Approval

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

Mark Rude read the minutes from the July 2nd, 2014 meeting. Corrections were completed throughout the reading. Ron Conway moved to approve the minutes with the noted corrections. Al Knoll seconded. The motion passed with all in favor.

Financial Report

Mark Rude reported on the financials. Steve Hines moved to approve the financials with the noted correction of changing the account for Spronk Water Engineers Expense to System Optimization Review not Preferred Interstate Supply. Al Knoll seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

Amazon Flume Replacement

One Voucher needs to be signed by Randy Hayzlett for payment. The voucher was for a payment to Wright Water Engineers, Inc. for \$714.60. Hal Scheuerman was absent therefore no report was made.

Southside Phase II Engineering

Approval has been granted from the Kansas Water Office for the engineering work on Southside.

Frontier Return Gage

Steve Hines stressed concern on the time frame of the project, stating it was one of the first projects approved. Mark added the thinking for the project was for funding to re-equip the return flow gage.

SOR Document, Final

Mark stated the SOR Document is complete. Includes recharge area in the Bear Valley, North & South side alternate delivery system. Mark will send the SOR Document to the committee electronically.

Basin Study Scoping, West Consultants

A handout was presented to the committee which was provided to the Chief Engineer and Department of Agriculture based on concerns that were related to the West Consultants project. Mark read through the list of concerns:

- 1. Operational Impacts
- 2. System Evaluation
- 3. Accounting Methodology
- 4. Water Quality (diminished)
- 5. System Decision Support Tools for Kansas
- 6. Paper Accounting VS Wet Water
- 7. Water Flows
- 8. Litigating High plains flow
- 9. Evaluate Recent Changes & Rules
- 10. Operating Rules

CWC Reimbursement

Colorado Water Court: If CWC is diminished how is water court going to happen? Garden City Company asked for reimbursement for their expense in CWC.

Katie Miller, Burn and McDonald

Katie Miller with Burns and McDonald spoke to the committee about the Ark River Corridor and sustainability for municipal water supplies, including the paleo-river channel source. Quality and quantity were researched from now to 50 years from now with the help of Reclamation. The results of the assessment are: there are issues in quality with several violations of clean drinking water standards, along with the quantity of the water for the future. Funding opportunities from state and federal avenues where reviewed. However, most of them had implementation process requirements associated with them and she stated we are not at that step

Don Whittemore, KGS

Don Whittemore with Kansas Geological Survey spoke to the committee on investigating the sustainable yield of the paleo-river channel aquifer in the Arkansas River Corridor. Through slide presentations he demonstrated the topography of the flood plain and some study the KGS is willing to conduct.

DWR

DWR had no report.

KWO

West Water Consultant project: waiting on better development with state / local input.

Governors' Conference will be held November 12-13, 2014 at the Hilton Garden Inn & Conference Center, Manhattan, KS.

KGS

Water sampling collection is still happening to delineate water quality concerns.

Kansas Aqueduct Study Committee Tour & Meeting Ulysses, October 29th

The Kansas Aqueduct Committee will start the tour in Ulysses at 9am October 29th, 2014, with the committee meeting beginning shortly after the tour.

Reclamation Plan of Study Draft

Mark handed out the Reclamation Plan of Study for a Basin Study, should one occur, for all to review. Little interest from state agencies in either state to participate at this point

Ditch Member Reports

No reports were announced.

Public Forum

No public forum was held.

Future Meeting

A meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

Adjournment

Ron Conway moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:26pm. Al Knoll seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned.

Recording Secretary