

December 21, 2017

**Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee
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Chairman Randy Hayzlett called the meeting of the Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee to order at 9:03a.m. At the Southwest Kansas Groundwater Management District Office located at 2009 E. Spruce Street, Garden City, KS.

Introductions:

Roll call.

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

Randy Hayzlett *	Committee Chairman and South Side Ditch Representative
Troy Dumler*	Committee Vice-Chairman and Great Eastern Representative
Steve Hines*	Frontier Ditch Representative
Shane Knoll*	Garden City Ditch Representative
Hal Scheuerman*	Amazon Ditch Representative
David Becker*	Finney County Water Users / 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
Brent Campbell	KDA/DWR
Trevor Ahring.	GMD3
Doug Mai	Finney County Water User
Mike Standley	Finney County Water User

Absent with notice

Jason Norquest	GMD3 Assistant Manager
Kevin Salter	Interstate water engineer, KDA /DWR

Minutes and Financial

Hal Scheuerman moved to table minutes and financial report until the next scheduled meeting. Steve Hines seconded. Motion passed.

Farmers Ditch Project

Mike Standley is now President of the Farmers Ditch; however, David Becker will continue representing the Arkansas River Litigation Funds Advisory Committee. Mr. Becker provided an update on the Farmers Ditch Project; concrete design is complete, however, still working on the gate design. A meeting is scheduled with the engineers on January 9, 2018 to review initial design.

Southside Ditch Project

Randy Hayzlett reported the Southside Ditch Project has had no cement work started. However, plan to start after first of the year. Metal Fabricator is working on getting gates completed. Randy needs to check the past minutes on when he stated the project will be done, Spring of 2018 or 2019. Mark replied he would look at the past minutes and let the committee know. Randy would still like to come up with a power source to open and close the gates.

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Frontier Ditch Report from Draper / Austin Team

Steve Hines reported the study is complete. He would like a couple of dates to throw out to Draper / Austin to come and present the report. After some discussion January 29, before the Associated Ditch Annual meeting or February 13 seemed to be two highly probably dates. Steve Hines will present the two dates to Draper / Austin Team and see which one works best.

Mark raised a question on significant legal cost to what is primarily an engineering project and Mark hoped the Frontier Ditch Association was working to keep cost at a reasonable level with the attorney. However, it appears to be a chunk of change for legal work, which is not normal for an engineering technical tool like the Muskingum Method. Mark noted he is still trying to figure out how it fits into the tool development project, and asked Steve to think of a description of those legal fees for the presentation. Steve Hines reminded that Draper hours cost more than Austin hours.

Announcements

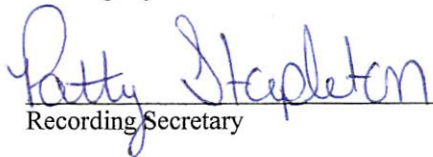
Mark advised will keep looking for opportunities for grant help with efficiency improvement projects the ditch systems may want to undertake, have not found the right one yet. A conference call with the Bureau of Reclamation was recently held to discuss possibilities.

Mark Rude will provide the annual report to legislature that is coming up. Final draft will be circulated and is expected to be presented to legislature first couple of weeks in January.

Adjournment

Steve Hines moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 a.m. David Becker seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.


Recording Secretary


Committee Chairman