

## Minutes

### KANSAS WATER AUTHORITY Topeka, Kansas

January 27, 2011

Regular Meeting

**Call to Order:** Dennis Schwartz called the January 27, 2011, Kansas Water Authority meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Ramada Inn, in Topeka, Kansas.

**Members Present:** Don Paxson, Vice Chairman; Gary Baker; David Barfield; Rex Buchanan; David Corliss; Betty Criss; Greg Foley; Lisa French; Edward Martinko; Karma Mason; John Mitchell; M.S. Mitchell; Dale Rodman; Ben Rogers; Gordon Schmidt; Dennis F. Schwartz; and Tracy Streeter.

**Members Absent:** Steve Irsik, Chairman; Lon Frahm; Gary Pierzynski; Pat George; Robin Jennison; Curtis Tobias and Tom Wright.

**Aquatic Nuisance Species Update:** Bobbi Wendt provided an update on Aquatic Nuisance Species.

**Future Reservoir Siting:** Susan Metzger provided an update on Future Reservoir Site Protection.

**BAC Chairs Report:** Jim Triplett and Bobbi Wendt provided the BAC Chairpersons report.

**Approval of Minutes:**  
**Motion No. 01-27-01** It was moved by Betty Criss and seconded by M.S. Mitchell that the November 5, 2010 Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Motion No. 01-27-02** It was moved by Karma Mason and seconded by David Corliss that the December 15, 2010 Minutes for the Special Meeting of the Kansas Water Authority be approved as presented. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

**Consent Agenda:** **Action on the Committee of the Whole Recommendations**

**Motion No. 01-27-03** It was moved by M.S. Mitchell and seconded by Karma Mason to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda (*Recommendations from the January 26, 2011, Committee of the Whole Meeting, are in the text boxes that follow.*) **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

1. **Final Draft of the Neosho and Verdigris Basin Sections** – To approve the final drafts of the updated and new Basin Priority Issues for the Neosho and Verdigris Basins.

*It was moved by Dennis Schwartz and seconded by Karma Mason to approve the final drafts of the updated and new Basin Priority Issues for the Neosho and Verdigris Basins for placement on the Consent Agenda for approval before the Full Authority. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.***

**Consent Agenda Continued:**

2. **Weather Modification Permit** - To grant Weather Modification Permit to Groundwater Management District No. 1.

*It was moved by **Betty Criss** and seconded by **Ben Rogers** to grant the Weather Modification Permit to Groundwater management District No. 1 for the period of April 16, 2011 through September 15, 2011, contingent on receipt of proof of liability that covers the entire operational period and the proof of publication for placement on the Consent Agenda for approval before the Full Authority. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.***

Vice Chairman **Don Paxson** entered the meeting at 10:05 and took over leadership of the meeting.

**Director's Report:** **Tracy Streeter** presented the Director's Report.

- Legislative visit review.
- Thank you to all the KWA and BAC members for their extracurricular activities, we greatly appreciate it.
- KS, OK & MO meeting on future water supply in the tri-state area.
- TX, OK, COE, KWO meeting in Norman, OK on federally owned storage in the U.S. Considering forming a coalition with these states to work on matters with the COE.
- Natural Resources Subcabinet – at this time we don't know much, SB 3 has been introduced
- Governor's visit – asking for items he can get behind for conserving and extending the life of the Ogallala aquifer.

**New Business:** David Barfield provided a DWR update; Greg Foley noted that HB 2109 on Dams was introduced and Rex Buchanan noted that the water level measurements should be out in mid February.

**Announcements:** The next meeting is May 18-19, 2011 in Hill City.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion No. 01-27-04** **Dennis Schwartz** moved to adjourn and **Betty Criss** seconded. The Kansas Water Authority meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. **Motion carried with no dissenting votes.**

  
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Don Paxson, Vice Chairman

  
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Tracy Streeter, Secretary