

**PURCHASE AREA WATER MANAGEMENT
PLANNING COUNCIL
Minutes**

March 18, 2009

Water Management Committee Members (categorized by representation):

Committee members attendance, asterisk denotes absent

I. Call to Order

Acting Chairman Kevin Murphy called the March 18, 2009, Purchase Area Water Management Council meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

Ballard County

Mayor John Wood, City of Barlow *
J/E Vickie Viniard
Rob Stevens, Kevil W & S*
Tracey Dodge, LaCenter W & S*
Paul McGowan, Lovelaceville W & S*
Tim Walker, Barlow W & S
Guy Johnson, Wickliffe W & S*
Kay Green Wickliffe W & S*
Jody Brown, LaCenter

Calloway County

J/E Larry Elkins
Michelle Corum*
Lee Roy Barnett, Dexter-Almo Heights WD*
Glen Windsor, Murray WD 3*
Hank Stanfield, 641 S WD*
Wm. Duncan, Center Ridge WS*
Sam Harris, Murray WD 2*
Dennis Thompson, City of Murray
Matt Mattingly, City of Murray

Carlisle County

J/E Greg Terry*
Jerry Bowman, Carlisle SD No. 1
David Garrett, City of Arlington*
Freda Cunningham, Milburn WD
Donna Curtsinger, Milburn WD
Robin Phelps, Bardwell City Utilities*

Ricky Williams, City of Arlington
Denver Hammonds, Cunningham WD*

Fulton County

J/E David Gallagher*
Richard Tidwell, Fulton Municipal W &S*
Donna Haney, Hickman W & S*

Graves County

J/E Tony Smith*
Sam Davis, Hickory WD
Johnny Dowdy, Graves County WD
Eric Young, Sedalia WD*
Mayor Charles Shelby, Wingo W & S*
Kevin Leonard, MEWS
Jim Waid, Symsonia WD
Marty Ivy, Hardeman WD

Hickman County

J/E Greg Pruitt*
Mike Pickard, Clinton Sewer Service*

Marshall County

J/E Mike Miller*
Don Hise, Calvert City
Kevin Murphy, Calvert City
L.A. Landers, Marshall SD NO.1
Brad Anderson, N. Marshall WD
Joe Cooper, Benton W*
Jessica Scillian, Benton WD
Randy Travis, Marshall Co., SD*
Matthew York, Jonathan Creek Water
Eddie Washam, Hardin WD*

McCracken County

Glen Anderson*
J/E Van Newberry*
John Hodges, Paducah/McCracken JSA
Steve Hayden, Hendron WD*
Bill Tanner, W. McCracken WD*
Josh Webb, Paducah/McCracken JSA*
Darren Rankin, Paducah Water Works

Guests

John Covington, KIA

Other

Division of Water
Four Rivers Basin Team
Purchase District Health Department*
Rod Martin, Hunter Martin & Associates

PADD Staff

Adam Scott
Mark Davis
Bob Jost
Jeremy Buchanan
Kim DeRenard
Cathy Holshouser

II. *Welcome and Introductions*

Acting Chairman Kevin Murphy thanked everyone for attending the meeting and welcomed each guest.

III. *Approval of November 18, 2008 Minutes*

Chairman Murphy referred the council to the minutes of the meeting November 18, 2008 which were on pages 1-5 in the meeting packet. Mr. Mr. Jim Waid made the motion to approve the minutes followed by a second from Mr. Jerry Bowman. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. *Review Regional Project Rankings*

Mr. Adam Scott reviewed pages 1-4 of the second packet with the council. Mr. Scott reviewed the top 20 water and wastewater projects with the council. If anyone needs the complete list we can email or mail that to you.

V. *Call for Projects*

A. New Water Projects for Approval

WX21007021	WX21105008
WX21007022	WX21157048
WX21007023	WX21157049
WX21035029	WX21145062
WX21145063	WX21145064

Mr. Jerry Bowman made the motion to approve the new water projects followed by a second from Mr. Dennis Thompson.

B. New Sewer Projects for Approval

SX21007013	SX21007014
SX21007015	SX21035023
SX21157032	SX2108032
SX21157033	

Mr. Kevin Leonard made the motion to approve the new sewer projects followed by a second from Mr. John Hodges.

C. Amended Projects

SX21007011	SX21007007
SX21035009	WX21035010
SX21039004	SX21083024
WX21083044	WX21083045
WX21083046	WX21083047
WX21083051	WX21157035
WX21157045	WX21145007

Mr. Rod Martin made the motion to approve the Amended projects followed by a second from Mr. Jerry Bowman.

VI. HB 608-Legislative Projects

There was discussion concerning the House Bill 608 project funds. Mr. John Covington with KIA reported that they are working with the State Budget Director's Office to determine the date the funds will be available. The Grant Assistant Agreement's need to be completed before the funds becomes available, so that we will be ready when the money is available. Mr. Adam Scott referred the council to pages 10 & 11 of the packet to review the email from Ms. Debby Milton. Mr. Covington stated that once the funds are available KIA will send a copy of the Agreement to you along with a notification of the date that funds can be expected.

VII. American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)

Mr. Covington reported that the \$780 billion stimulus package passed, but for Kentucky less than \$50 million will be available for clean water projects, and less than \$20 million for drinking water projects. KIA received over 700 applications for these funds. They received over \$600 million for clean water & over \$300 million for drinking water. The public meeting to discuss the plan contents has been rescheduled to April 6, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. at the KIA office in Frankfort, KY.

All the money for water and sewer projects will run through the state revolving fund program and those are loan programs. All funding awarded will be made as loans for communities that receive funding. There is a provision in the act that states additional subsidization, and in Kentucky we are subsidizing 50% of the cost of the project. A loan will be made to you for your project, and once the project is complete and you start repaying the loan you will receive a 50% principal forgiveness up front, and the balance will be amortized for the life of the loan.

Also of the money received 20% of it has to be used for green projects. A determination will be made that a project is green. All projects that receive funding from the ARRA have to be under construction contract by Feb 16, 2010. Probably within the next 3 months we will make a determination if you can proceed with the project and get it under construction by February 16, 2010.

The interest rates on the loans will be identical to our regular SRF loans rates 3%, 2 %, or a 1% structure. The 3 % are for people who don't qualify for any subsidies. The 2 % are for

regional projects or projects that are a significant environmental problem or have a Median Household Income between the states Median and 80% of the states MHI. The 1 % is the ones below 80 % of the states MHI or low income communities.

Mr. Covington stated that there will also be additional requirements in the act that you will have to comply with:

- Davis – Bacon Act: requires the use of Federal Wage Rate for all projects.
- Additional Reporting will be required for the Davis-Bacon Act
- Reporting for the stimulus package funds

The requirements will be updated and published on the KIA website as additional information is received.

There was a time for questions & answers for the council.

Mr. Kevin Murphy asked where KIA gets the information from for the income levels.

Mr. Covington replied that they get the income levels from the Kentucky Data Center. Mr. Scott will email the link for the Kentucky State Data Center to the council.

VIII. WRIS Update

A. Reports

Mr. Scott reported that the GIS report is something new that we will be doing, and it will be extremely helpful. It has gone very well with the systems that have already completed the report.

Mr. Bob Jost referred everyone to page 16-24 to view an example of the GIS report. It is a simple read out of the information that we have of every item that appears on the map that we provide to KIA. We will be doing the reports for wastewater systems too, on page 21 there is an example of the wastewater report. The reports back up the data that we have on the maps. We need each systems help to improve our data.

Mr. John Covington stated that the dates of construction should be as accurate as possible, so that we can show the age of our infrastructure. It will help us to project when the tanks will need to be replaced, and provide the data needed to obtain funding for these projects.

B. Planning & Service Boundaries

Mr. Bob Jost directed everyone's attention to the Water Service Planning Areas Map. This process is to decide who is the most likely to provide water for the commonwealth. This is a working document to determine the boundaries for the regional management area. In the packet on page 25 is a list of the Purchase Area Water Management Planning Areas. It is up to the council what we do with this at this point. Everyone should take it and look over it and decide what changes need to be made.

Mr. Covington stressed to the council to be sure and look closely over all projects and be sure that is a project that we want to recommend for funding.

IX. Water Management Plan

Mr. Scott discussed the Water Management Plan on pages 22-32 with the council. Mr. Scott has been working with Rusty Anderson on the amendments and they are ready to have these amended this year. The council reviewed the plan and voted to have it sent to Frankfort.

Mr. Dennis Thompson made the motion to submit Chapters 1-4 of the Water Management Plan to Frankfort followed by a second from Mr. John Hodges.

X. Four Rivers Basin Team

Ms. Maggie Morgan with the Four Rivers Basin team provided the council with a Power Point Presentation about the background & the purpose of the team.

Mr. Kevin Murphy reported that the Jackson Purchase Foundation will be soliciting donations to take the ORSANCO Aquarium to the BBQ on the river at Paducah this fall. The cost to get the aquarium is \$3000. They are also running low on funding for the water watch samplers. There are over 100 sample sites and that is done four times a year. If any additional money is made this year it will be put back into Water Watch for our sampling.

XI. Other Business

Mr. Kevin Murphy reported that he received a call from a vendor that can replace technical valves within a 24 hour period. The vendor will be at our next meeting to make a presentation about his services. The plan is to bring in vendors that can help us save money and get us back on line quickly. Mr. Scott told the council that if they know of any vendors that they want to make a presentation at a meeting, that they would be responsible for the guest speaker.

Ms. Shannon McLeary with the Division of Water announced that the inspectors will be trained March 19, on the new Discharge Monitoring Report Manual and how to properly fill out a DMR. The department will be presenting it at the KWWA conference next week. If you are in need of a manual please contact the DOW. She stated that it is very important that you follow the rules in the manual.

Ms. McLeary reported that Ms. Sharon Durbin is the new supervisor at the Paducah Regional office of the DOW. Ms Gaye Brewer returned to her former position at the DOE for Waste Management.

Mr. Murphy thanked Ms. Maggie Morgan for her presentation and Mr. John Covington for coming to be with us today.

XII. Adjourn

There being no other business to discuss, Acting Chairman Kevin Murphy asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jimmy Waid made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Jerry Bowman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.