

## MEETING MINUTES

### Agriculture Water Quality Authority

Thursday June 16, 2016 - 9:30 am

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In attendance: Ms. Kim Richardson, AWQA Chair and Director, DOC; Mr. David Rowlett, President, KACD; Mr. Kevin Jeffries, Vice Chair and member-at-large; Dr. Amanda Gumbert, UK-DOC; Ms. Karen Woodrich, NRCS; Mr. Allen Kyle, member-at-large; Mr. Ron Brunty, environmental groups; Mr. Brent Burchett, DOA; Mr. Larry Thomas, KY Farm Bureau; and Mr. Peter Goodmann, KDOW

Also in attendance: Ms. Johnna McHugh, Assistant Director, DOC; Mr. Pete Cinnotto, USGS; Mr. Jim Roe, DOW; Mr. Joe Cain, KY Farm Bureau; Mr. John Pitcock, KY Department of Agriculture; Mr. Adam Andrews, KY Corn Growers and Small Grain Producers; Dr. Steve Higgins, UK; Mr. Steve Kull, KDF; Mr. Ernest Collins, concerned citizen; Mr. Larry Taylor, DEP; Ms. Stephanie Hayes, KY DOW; Mr. Adam Jones, KY DOA; Mr. Chuck Taylor, Kentucky Geological Survey; Mr. Meredith Scales, KDDC; Mr. Keith Rogers, DOA; Mr. Bill Steele, DOF; Joe Cain, KY Farm Bureau; and Mr. Jeff Gravitt, DOC.

Quorum was met.

**Meeting Called to Order** - at 1:05 p.m. by Kim Richardson.

**Approval of Minutes from February 2, 2016 Meeting** - Approval for February 2, 2016 minutes was discussed. Changes were requested by Dr. Amanda Gumbert and Dr. Steve Higgins. First, the change was made on page three to clarify water control structure as Crops BMP 16 and Livestock BMP 19 as Totally Covered Open Confinement. And lastly, there was a correction from "Mr." to "Dr." concerning the addressing Dr. Steve Higgins in minutes. Mr. David Rowlett moved to approve and Mr. Larry Thomas seconded motion. **Motion carried.**

**Review of Streams and Other Waters** – Mr. Jim Roe spoke about the process of how the Best Management Practices (BMPs) were updated.

- Updated by regulatory citations
- Current permitting processes
- Cross reference BMPs with Forestry and Livestock
- Updated funding sources/technical assistance sections
- Hyperlinks have been included
- Update contact information.

These will need to be updated again after the Corps updates their nationwide permit. Ms. Kim Richardson will receive information from Mr. Jim Roe and will send it out to the Authority for review. The Authority should expect a vote to be held this September.

**Silviculture BMP's Update** – Dr. Amanda Gumbert addressed changes to update/clarify BMPs. Motion to approve as presented was made by Mr. Kevin Jeffries and was seconded by Mr. David Rowlett. **Motion carried.**

**Old Business**

- Schedule of Meetings
  - September 15<sup>th</sup> Eden Shale Farm
  - November 17<sup>th</sup> North American Livestock Show
- Nomination Committee Report – Mr. Kevin Jeffries will have report at next meeting.
- Update from the Strategic Planning Committee
  - Logo Development – A sheet with potential logos was shared with the group. Mr. Larry Thomas moved to adopt logo #3. Mr. Pete Goodmann seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**
  - Dr. Amanda Gumbert showed a presentation that can be used by the Authority members when they talk at their own meetings. Mr. Pete Goodmann would like to add more on corrective measures and will work with Dr. Amanda Gumbert to do so.
  - NASS – No questions can be added to the survey due to financial reasons.
  - District Staff and Supervisors Training – KACD will have breakout sessions at the KACD annual convention about AWQP Plans. The information will be available to Division of Conservation field reps so it can be shared with KACD members not attending the conference.
  - Education and Outreach Committee – Dr. Gumbert will be working on videos highlighting producers who are doing the right thing.

**Authority Members Comments** – Dr. Amanda Gumbert asked about the BMP’s passed in September and February. Ms. Richardson will send the final language to Dr. Gumbert so she can get it in the state plan. Dr. Gumbert acknowledged that the University of Kentucky is working on updating producer workbook and online tools.

**Comments from Interested Parties** – Mr. Pete Cinotto updated the Authority on the KASMC. The committee recently put together a contact list of technical resources. It’s available online at [http://ky.water.usgs.gov/projects/ky\\_ag\\_monitoring\\_committee/KY.irrigation.resources.6.4.16.pdf](http://ky.water.usgs.gov/projects/ky_ag_monitoring_committee/KY.irrigation.resources.6.4.16.pdf). Mr. Kevin Jeffries asked about the relationship between the Authority and the newly-formed Water Resources Board. Mr. Peter Goodmann reported that the Water Resources Board will begin meeting in late July. He sees that board as running parallel to the Authority. He suggested that the Authority set some time aside at the September meeting for a briefing on the Water Resources Board and that the Water Resources Board set some time aside for a briefing on the Authority. Mr. John Pitcock asked about the chairman for the Pesticide Committee. That position will go through Mr. Jeffries’ nominating committee and will be discussed at the next meeting.

**Follow-up/Action to be taken** – None

**Adjourn** – Motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Amanda Gumbert and was seconded by Mr. Peter Goodman. **Motion carried.**