

Neosho Regional Advisory Committee Meeting Notes

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10:00 a.m. Monday, June 22, 2020 GoTo Meeting

Members in Attendance:

Name	City	Category	Term	Present
Jay Byers (Chair)	Pittsburg, KS	At Large Public (cc)	2021	Yes
Wes Fleming (Vice-Chair)	Burlington, KS	Industry/Commerce (cc)	2023	Yes
Kent Bacon	Council Grove, KS	Ranching/Grazing	2023	No
Joe Buchanan	Council Grove, KS	Public Water Supply (cc)	2021	Yes
Phillip Cooper	Emporia, KS	Water Assurance District	2023	Yes
Kate Grover	Iola, KS	Industry/Commerce	2021	Yes
Brian Obermeyer	Cottonwood Falls, KS	Conservation/Environment	2023	No
Lisa Suderman	Hillsboro, KS	Agriculture (cc)	2021	No
James Triplett	Pittsburg, KS	Conservation/Environment (cc)	2021	Yes

Others in attendance:

Name	Agency
Eugene Goff	USACE
Chris Steffen	KDWPT
Gary Kepley	USACE
Angela Anderson	KWO
Bobbi Luttjohann	KWO
Connie Owen	KWA

1. Welcome and Introductions: The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:05 a.m. by Chairperson, Jay Byers. Jay thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Jay invited KWA Chair, Connie Owen, to say a few words to the RAC. She thanked the RAC for all they do and offered those involved with the RAC to feel free to communicate with her at any time.

Joe moved to accept the agenda. Kate seconded. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Review of May Meeting Notes: The meeting notes from the May meeting were discussed. There were no additions or corrections. The notes were accepted as presented.
- **3. RAC Goals and Action Plan Discussion:** The RAC discussed the Goals and Action Plans for the Region. The RAC revised the Goals and Action Plans. Kate moved to accept goals as amended. Wes seconded. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Questions and Future Issues from Members: Jay put out a call for suggestions for the vacancies. Bobbi, offered a suggestion of a potential ag representative that had been mentioned to her to reach out to.

Kate mentioned that she would like to have KDWPT in attendance at the next meeting to give an overview of ANS work and the budget needed to accomplish those endeavors. Chris mentioned there will be a webinar covering the ANS topic on June 25, 2020. Angela stated she would share the webinar information with the group.



The location of the July meeting was asked about in regards to social distancing measures. It was reassured by regular users in the group that the Coffey County Library meeting room has sufficient square footage to social distance. Angela will check one week prior to the July meeting date to make sure the Coffey County Health Department and the Library are still allowing in-person meetings.

- 5. Agency and Public Input: There was no agency or public input.
- 6. Adjournment: Jim moved to adjourn. Joe seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:45am.
- 7. Future Meetings:
 - a. Neosho RAC: July 22, 2020, 10:00 a.m. GoTo Meeting Option or In-Person at: Coffey County Library 410 Juniatta Street Burlington, KS (Your choice of means to attend based on comfort.)

Membership: Jay Byers, Chair, Pittsburg, KS; Wes Fleming, Vice-Chair, Burlington, KS; Kent Bacon, Council Grove, KS; Joe Buchanan, Council Grove, KS; Philip Cooper, Emporia, KS; Kate Grover, Iola, KS; Brian Obermeyer, Cottonwood Falls, KS; Lisa Suderman, Hillsboro, KS; James Triplett, Pittsburg, KS *KWO Planner:* Angela Anderson, 785-296-3185; <u>angela.anderson@kwo.ks.gov</u>