The Kentucky River Authority will maintain and manage water resources of the Kentucky River Basin to provide a clean and reliable water supply for the citizens of the Basin. The Kentucky River Authority will provide leadership and a common forum for all stakeholders of the Kentucky River Basin in order to promote the highest and best uses of the water resources of the Kentucky River Basin.
A meeting of the Kentucky River Authority (KRA) was held at 1:00 pm at the Bush Building in Frankfort, Kentucky on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, pursuant to a meeting advisory posted at www.kra@gov and emailed to the KRA’s distribution list. The following board members were present: Mark Smith, Barry Sanders, Jonathan Lang, Thomas Stephens, David Farrar, Amanda Stacy, Secretary Rebecca Goodman, John Brady, Proxy for Secretary Holly M. Johnson, Harold Rainwater and Huston Wells. Also in attendance were David Hamilton Executive Director for the Kentucky River Authority, KRA Staff members, Bobby Webb, Sue Elliston and Jennie Wolfe. The guests in attendance were Pat Banks, Allen Banks, Dave Brown Kinloch, Robin Antenucci, Ben Webster, Robert Hatton, Ed Wilcox, Deidra Brandenburg, Scott Jackson and Tammy Barrett Willcott.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

1. **Call to Order.** Chairman Mark Smith called the meeting to order, Sue Elliston took the roll call and announced there was a quorum.

2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes.** Upon the motion made by Barry Sanders and second by Huston Wells the board unanimously approved the August 22, 2019, board meeting minutes.

3. **Financial Report.** Jennie Wolfe summarized the financial reports for the months of July, August and September. Upon a motion made by Huston Wells and second by John Brady the board unanimously approved the financial reports for the first quarter of the fiscal year.

4. **Election of 2020 Kentucky River Authority Board Officers.** Mark Smith was re-elected as Chair upon a motion made by Huston Wells and second by Thomas Stephens. The board unanimously approved the chair position. Jonathan Lang will serve as vice-chair upon a motion made by Thomas Stephens and second by Huston Wells. The board unanimously approved the vice-chair position. Barry Sanders will serve as secretary upon a motion made by Mark Smith and second by Harold Rainwater. The board unanimously approved the secretary position. Harold Rainwater will serve as treasurer upon a motion made by Mark Smith and second by Huston Wells. The board unanimously approved the treasurer position. Next, Mark Smith set the sub committees by board members volunteering to serve. The marketing sub-committee members will be Huston Wells, Jonathan Lang and Thomas Stephens. The Finance sub-committee members will be John Brady (Proxy to Secretary Johnson), Harold Rainwater and Amanda Stacy. The Water Quality sub-committee members will be Angela Muncy, David Farrar, Barry Sanders and Secretary Goodman.

5. **Marketing presentation on promotional materials.** Jonathan Lang presented to the board new promotional material in both print and digital form, the marketing firm created for the Kentucky River Authority re-branding effort. The goal moving forward with the new promotional material is to create partnerships and further develop the branding pieces. The new promotional material will be available for the Louisville Boat Show scheduled the fourth weekend in January.

6. **Executive Directors Report.** David Hamilton presented to the board an update on the Dam 10 project at Fort Boonesborough for both the new board members and a refresher for existing board members. The project budget is $24.4 million and is funded by the Tier II fee increase. The Tier II fee increase, an increase of 9 cents per thousand gallons of water withdrawn to the current rate of 22 cents per thousand gallons of water withdrawn, was effective July 1, 2018. The scheduled completion date for Dam 10 is June 2021 and the
project is currently 60% complete. Next, David Hamilton updated the board on the progress of the transfer of ownership of Locks 1 – 4 from the Army Corps of Engineers. They are completing the disposition study, developing a MOA and the transfer target date is October 2020. David Hamilton then presented the board the renewal of the annual High Bridge Park, Wilmore, Kentucky, lease agreement. This is a no cost lease agreement for the Kentucky River Authority. Upon a motion made by Huston Wells and second by Harold Rainwater the board unanimously approved the renewal of the High Bridge Park lease agreement. The next topic David Hamilton discussed is the Lockage numbers for the 2019 boating season. The total number of people that locked through Locks 1 through 4, was 8,971. Lastly, David Hamilton presented an update on the Lock 12 Hydro facility. The scheduled date to be up and running was April 15th but due to the high water during the month of December, the date will be more like May or June.

7. **Chairperson Report.** Mark Smith set the calendar year 2020 Kentucky River Authority board meeting dates as follows: February 18, 2020, May 12, 2020, August 11, 2020 and November 10, 2020.

8. The meeting adjourned at 1:53 pm upon a motion by Thomas Stephens and second by Jonathan Lang.