

KENTUCKY RIVER AUTHORITY
MEETING NO. 211
AGENDA

Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: Bush Building
403 Wapping Street
Frankfort, Kentucky

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes:
 - Meeting #210
 - Special Called Meeting 3-4-2024
 - Special Called Meeting 3-15-2024
3. Financial Report – Jennie Wolfe
4. Discussion of River Sweep 2024 – Marketing and Recreation Subcommittee
5. Executive Director Report – Jennie Wolfe
6. Chairman Report – James Kay
7. Discussion - Other
8. Comments from the public
9. Executive Session
 - Proposed Litigation KRS 61.810 (c)
 - Property Acquisition KRS 61.810 (b)
 - Personnel Matters KRS 61.810 (f)
12. Adjourn

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 on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at the Bush Building in Frankfort, Kentucky, pursuant to a meeting advisory emailed to the KRA's distribution list and posted on the Kentucky River Authority website. The following board members were present: Case Davis, David Jackson, John Lyons for Secretary Goodman, Shan Dutta for Secretary Johnson, James Kay, Barry Sanders, David West, Harold Rainwater, Amanda Stacy, Mitzi Delius, and Glenn Napier. Also, in attendance were Jennie Wolfe Executive Director for the Kentucky River Authority, KRA Staff members Olivia Dorman and Bobby Webb.

1. **Call to Order.** Chairman James Kay called the meeting to order. Olivia Dorman took the roll call and announced there was a quorum.

2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes #210, Special called meeting 3-4-24 and Special called meeting 3-15-24.** Upon a motion made by John Lyons and second by David Jackson the meeting minutes were unanimously approved by the board.

3. **Financial Report.** Jennie Wolfe summarized the financial reports for the months of January, February, and March. Upon a motion made by David Jackson and second by Glenn Napier, the financial reports for the third quarter of the fiscal year were approved unanimously by the board.

4. **Discussion of River Sweep 2024** – Marketing and Recreation Subcommittee. Jennie Wolfe stated the Marketing and Recreation subcommittee met on April 30, 2024, to discuss the cost of the t-shirts for the River Sweep 2024 event. The counties that plan to have event are Franklin, Fayette, Madison, Clark, Rockcastle, Lee, Woodford and also Pat Banks with Kentucky Riverkeeper. The subcommittee members recommend to the board to purchase 400 t-shirts from the Department of Corrections with the KRA logo and “River Sweep” below the logo for approximately \$11 each. The total on the River Sweep t-shirts will be \$4,400. The subcommittee also discussed the purchase of hats from the Department of Corrections with the KRA logo embroidered on the hat. There will be two styles of hats, one a trucker style cap in gray that cost \$10 each and a baseball style cap that cost \$14 each. The total cost of hats will be \$850. The total purchase for River Sweep t-shirts and hats will be \$5,250. Upon a motion made by David Jackson and second by Barry Sanders, the board members unanimously approved the purchase.

5. **Executive Director Report.** Jennie Wolfe introduced Olivia Dorman as the new employee for the KRA. Next Jennie summarized the two capital construction projects. The first is the Design for the repair for Dam 7 Spillway. The design portion of the project was awarded to Schnabel Engineering. The Design phase will take us through the winter with a construction phase starting in the summer of 2025. The design phase was funded with Tier II funds for \$1,200,000. The design firm for the Design of Lock 5 project will be selected in May. There will be more information on this project at the next KRA board meeting. The transfer of Locks and Dams 1 – 4 was completed by the Army Corps of Engineers in February 2024. The Commonwealth of Kentucky took ownership of 15 buildings, 4 lock and dam structures and 46 acres. There are three lockmaster houses that are currently falling down and will be demolished after the start of the new fiscal year. The State Property Building Commission Project 105 was refunded and the savings to KRA was \$1,002,977.30 and will be spread over the next nine years. The new bond is State Property Building Commission Project 129. The original bond issue was for the new dam at Dam 8 in Jessamine County the repairs to Locks 1 and 2. These projects were in the 2012–2016-time frame. The locking season starts May 24, 2024. The locks will be open on Friday, Saturday, and Sundays from 10:00 to 7:00 pm. There will be additional locking hours on Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day.

6. **Chairman Report.** James Kay announced the next board meeting would be held at High Bridge Pavilion in Jessamine County on Tuesday, August 13, 2024. Lunch will be provided. Also, James Kay mentioned

the new property Fayette County has acquired and plans to turn into a park. This property is called Kelley's Landing and is near Lock and Dam 10. Andrea Drayer with the University of Kentucky stated the contact is Jennifer Hubbard Sanchez with LFUCG Parks.

7. Comments from the public. Mr. David Rowlett from Carrollton, Kentucky stated he was concerned with the lockmaster houses at Lock and Dam 1 in Carrollton. He stated there is drug use, partying, and squatters at the property. He came to the meeting as a concerned citizen and was glad to hear the Commonwealth of Kentucky had acquired ownership of the property and planned to take the houses down. He hopes to see the area turned into a park with a pavilion and picnic tables for the public.

8. Adjourn. Upon a motion made by John Lyons and second by David Jackson the meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.