

**MINUTES**

**KENTUCKIANA REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (KIPDA)**

**REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

**KIPDA Burke Room  
11520 Commonwealth Drive  
Louisville KY 40299**

**PARTICIPATION ALSO AVAILABLE THROUGH ZOOM  
AND STREAMED ON THE AGENCY’S YOUTUBE PAGE**

**July 9, 2024**

The Regional Water Management Council of the Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency met at 1:30 p.m. on July 9, 2024, in person and via Zoom. Members in attendance were:

- Mr. Russ Rose, Chairman, Oldham County Water District, Oldham County, Kentucky
- Mr. Keith Griffie, County Finance Officer, Bullitt County, Kentucky
- Mr. Arthur Jones, Engineer for City of Shepherdsville, Bullitt County, Kentucky
- Mr. Scott Fleming,  
Honorable Scott Bates, Judge/Executive, Henry County, Kentucky
- Mr. Wesley Sydnor, Louisville MSD, Jefferson County, Kentucky
- Mr. Kevin Gibson, representing Ms. Nicole Refolo, Louisville MSD, Jefferson County, Kentucky
- Mr. Jeremy Raney, Louisville Water Company, Jefferson County, Kentucky
- Mr. Jim Silliman, County Engineer, Oldham County, Kentucky
- Mr. Scot Treece, LaGrange Utilities Commission, Oldham County, Kentucky
- Mr. Mark Bates, Water & Wastewater Works, Trimble County, Kentucky
- Mr. Neil Martindale, Trimble County Water District, Trimble County, Kentucky

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

**REPRESENTING**

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| Justin Carter  | KIPDA |
| Jarrett Haley  | KIPDA |
| Felicia Harper | KIPDA |
| Rachael Miller | KIPDA |
| Greg Burress   | KIPDA |

Jennifer Wilson	KIPDA
Ryan Lloyd	KIPDA
Dustin Duncan	KIPDA
Debbie Landrum	KIA
Russell Neal	KIA
Lori Dials	KDOW
Jory Becker	KDOW
Pat Hargadon	U.S. 60 Water District
Karina Henson	Louisville MSD
David Mulloy	Louisville Water Company
Larry Dangerfield	City of Lebanon Junction
Matt McAllister	Henry County
Jon Park	Shelby County
Scott Travis	Spencer County
John Ogburn	Trimble County
Holly Nicolas	KY Engineering Group
Paul Maron	Strand Associates

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Ms. Miller called roll. There was a quorum.

### **MINUTES FROM APRIL 9, 2024**

Mr. Fleming moved to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2024 Regional Water Management Council Meeting with one correction. Mr. Bates seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

### **KY WWATERS PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Ms. Landrum stated that the Kentucky Water and Wastewater Assistance for Troubled or Economically Restrained Systems (KY WWATERS) program has funding available. The Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) accepts and reviews applications and performs credit analysis. The Kentucky General Assembly decides who will receive loan funding during the 2025 Legislative Session and KIA will administer the funding after

the Session is ended in March 2025. There is \$75 million in funds available in 2025 and \$75 million available in 2026, for a total of \$150 million.

The KY WWATERS program timeline is as follows:

- Applications will be accepted June 1 – August 15, 2024
- Projects will be taken to the KIA Board for scoring on August 1, September 5, and October 3, 2024
- Project applications and scores will be provided to the General Assembly on December 1, 2024
- The General Assembly will select projects to receive funding from January 2025 – March 2025
- KIA will contact the approved applicants in April 2025

In order to be eligible for this funding, applicants must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Service area median household income (MHI) must be less than the state MHI
- User rate affordability must be greater than 1% of annual MHI
- No audit in at least one of the prior three years
- Negative income in any two of the previous five years
- Debt service coverage ratio of less than 1:1 in any three of the previous five years
- Accounts payable turnover ratio of less than one
- Days sales in accounts receivable ratio of greater than 45 days
- Notice of violation or agreed order in the past year
- Water loss percentage greater than 30%

The following types of projects are eligible for KY WWATERS funding:

- Capital construction projects
- Development of technical, operational, and maintenance resources and expertise
- Improvement of utility infrastructure planning, repair, maintenance, renovation, and management of plants and assets
- Procurement of technical expertise in areas of rate-setting, cost-of-service, and proper utility accounting standards for the utility type
- Performance and correction of deficiencies from drinking water, wastewater, and financial audits

- Correction of financial inadequacies, including debt service coverage through relief or refinance of debt
- Assistance with payment for excessive maintenance costs, fines, and penalties from past violations or consultants
- Correction of inadequately maintained distribution, collection, or treatment works, including service extensions to unserved or underserved areas and the renovation of treatment works to conserve resources

The interest rates for KY WWATERS program loans are:

- Standard rate: 1.75%
- Non-standard (a) rate: 0.75%
- Non-standard (b) rate: 0.00%

Water and wastewater systems interested in applying for KY WWATERS funding should contact Mr. Carter, Senior Regional Planner at KIPDA to begin the application process.

### **NEW WATER AND WASTEWATER PROJECTS TO APPROVE**

#### **WX21029307 – Shepherdsville Rd. Water Main Extension**

- Applicant: Louisville Water Company
- Estimated Total Project Cost: \$2,295,772
- This project includes the installation of 7,300 linear feet (LF) of 8” PVC water main along Shepherdsville Rd. in Bullitt County
- This project will extend water service to an unserved portion of Bullitt County
- The Louisville Water Company provides retail service to a portion of Bullitt County. Some areas in the Louisville Water Company’s Bullitt County retail service area are underserved or do not have water service available. This project will make service available along this segment of Shepherdsville Rd. in Bullitt County.

#### **WX21029307 – Moore Lane Water Main Extension**

- Applicant: Louisville Water Company
- Estimated Total Project Cost: \$519,580

- This project includes the installation of 1,700 linear feet (LF) of 6" PVC water main along Moore Lane in Bullitt County. This project will extend water service to an unserved portion of Bullitt County.
- The Louisville Water Company provides retail service to a portion of Bullitt County. Some areas in the Louisville Water Company's Bullitt County retail service area are underserved or do not have water service available. This project will make service available along this segment of Shepherdsville Rd. in Bullitt County.

**WX21029039 – Cave Springs Drive Water Main Extension**

- Applicant: Louisville Water Company
- Estimated Total Project Cost: \$277,170
- This project includes the installation of 800 linear feet (LF) of 6" PVC water main along Cave Springs Drive in Bullitt County. This project will extend water service to an unserved portion of Bullitt County.
- The Louisville Water Company provides retail service to a portion of Bullitt County. Some areas in the Louisville Water Company's Bullitt County retail service area are underserved or do not have water service available. This project will make service available along this segment of Shepherdsville Rd. in Bullitt County.

Mr. Treece moved to approve the above water projects. Mr. Bates seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

**SX21215007 – Spencer County Sanitation District WWTP**

- Applicant: Spencer County Fiscal Court
- Estimated Total Project Cost: \$5,572,500
- This project will construct a new 0.25 MGD wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) in Spencer County, KY.
- There is no existing WWTP operated by the Spencer County Sanitation District in Spencer County.

Mr. Raney moved to approve the above wastewater project. Mr. Bates seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

## **WATER MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Carter stated that the State Revolving Fund (SRF) season will soon be here, and the FY2025 SRF call for projects will open in early September. Mr. Carter will be reaching out in the next few weeks to begin scheduling the FY2025 County Water Management Council meetings in all the Kentucky KIPDA counties. These meetings will include discussions on water, wastewater, and stormwater priorities for each county for FY2025 and will prioritize and rank each project.

The Kentucky Rural Water Association (KRWA) will hold its 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition at the Central Bank Center and Hyatt Regency Hotel in Lexington, KY on August 26 – 28, 2024.

## **COUNTY UPDATES**

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Carter stated that the next Regional Water Management Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 9, 2024, at 1:30pm in the KIPDA Burke Conference Room and via Zoom.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Jones moved that the meeting be adjourned. Judge Bates seconded. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.