

REAP Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Wichita Workforce Center
2021 N. Amidon, Suite 1100, Wichita
August 8, 2019 ~ 11:30 a.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions: Commissioner Chip Westfall, Vice Chair

Commissioner Westfall called the meeting to order at 11:37 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes from Executive Committee Meeting from June 13, 2019

ACTION TAKEN: Terry Somers (Mt. Hope) moved to approve the minutes from June 13, 2019 Executive Committee meeting. Seconded by Mayor Rex Satterthwaite (Bentley). Motion carried 13-0.

3. Changing of the Guard

On July 30, 2019, REAP Chair, Mayor Shelley Hansel, submitted her resignation as REAP Chair effective Sept. 1 (letter attached below). Under our current, yet suspended, bylaws, the Vice Chair shall, in the absence of the Chair, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Chair. Mayor Hansel's term as REAP Chair expires December 31, 2019.

REAP Vice Chair, Commissioner Chip Westfall, has agreed to fulfill the remainder of Mayor Hansel's term.

Action Taken: Bob Myers (Newton) motioned to accept Mayor Hansel's resignation as Chair and approve REAP Vice Chair, Commissioner Chip Westfall, to fulfill the remainder of the term. Seconded by Tom Jones (Park City). Motion carried 13-0.

July 30, 2019

Dear REAP Members,

It has been a tremendous honor to serve as the 2018-2019 Chairperson of REAP. I would like to sincerely thank all of our members for their support and participation during my time of service. I will always believe we are so much better together.

With that being said, it is time for me to step down. I will not be seeking a second term as mayor and therefore will be ineligible to hold this position. I have learned so much and enjoyed getting to know all of you. Thank you for your service to your communities, the State of Kansas and this organization.

I would like to make this transition happen as soon as possible so that Mayor Brown can attend the City to City Trip as the Chairperson of REAP. I am happy to stay on through the rest of the year as the past chairperson but would like to be relieved of my chair position by September 1st.

A big thank you to Keith Lawing for being the constant of this organization. His service to this region is second to none. REAP is lucky to have such a dedicated person in this role who tirelessly works toward a better South Central Kansas.

Again thank you all for this opportunity. It has been a tremendous experience. I will always support the idea of regionalism and who knows where you might see me down the road!!

Sincerely,

*Mayor Shelley Hansel, Wellington
REAP Chairman*

4. Transportation Coalition - - South Central Kansas Transportation Map: Brett Letkowski, Transystems

In preparation for KDOT's Local Consult meetings in August, Brett Letkowski of Transystems and chairman of the Transportation Coalition of South Central Kansas, went over the group's efforts to compare KDOT's list of new transportation projects with the list that was previously submitted at the Joint Legislative Transportation Vision Task Force meeting at the end of 2018. He engaged the executive committee to see if other projects from across the region should be included: A few notable changes include:

- KDOT included an interchange on K-254 at Webb Road and not necessarily improvements to the whole corridor
- KDOT did not have the US-54/400 and I-135 Interchange project, but that was not something we submitted at the time (it was added to our list after the Joint Legislative Task Force Meetings)
- There is nothing on KDOT's list for Passenger Rail or Transit

These consult meetings are an important opportunity for stakeholders to share information about needed transportation projects and help shape the future of transportation in south-central Kansas. The coalition agrees the #1 priority is the north junction improvements. Two projects in McPherson County will be added to the South Central Kansas Map. Letkowski engaged the executive committee to determine if other projects from the region should be included. He asked the Board to submit any other projects to Rainwater by September 1, 2019.

5. Ongoing Agenda Items:

A. REAP Fee Structure

REAP staff proposed the following new REAP fee structure for 2020:

2020 MEMBERSHIP FEE STRUCTURE

Cities:

- Cities with population under 3,000: \$200 plus \$.16 per capita.
- Cities with population between 3,000 and 10,000: \$1,000 plus \$.16 per capita.
- Cities with population above 10,000: \$3,000 plus \$.16 per capita.

Counties: Calculated on total population less population represented by 2019 dues paying cities within county

- Counties with population less than 10,000: \$1,000 plus \$.16 per capita
- Counties with population of 10,000-99,999: \$3,000 plus \$.16 per capita
- Counties with population above 100,000: \$10,000 plus \$.16 per capita

OLD FEE STRUCTURE

Cities:

- Cities with population under 3,000: \$200 plus \$.16 per capita.
- Cities with population between 3,000 and 10,000: \$1,000 plus \$.16 per capita.
- Cities with population above 10,000: \$3,000 plus \$.16 per capita.

Counties: Calculated on total population of county

- Counties with population less than 10,000: \$1,000 plus \$.065 per capita
- Counties with population above 10,000: \$3,000 plus \$.065 per capita

The table below shows the fee comparison:

City/County	Total Population	Current Participation	Total Non-Represented Population	2019 REAP Dues	Old Fee Structure	New Fee Structure
Sedgwick County	513607		68117	0	36384	20899
Andale	997		997	0	0	0
Bel Aire	7914	7914		2266	2266	2266
Bentley	525	525		284	284	284
Cheney	2106	2106		547	547	547
Clearwater	2524	2524		604	604	604
Colwich	1406		1406	0	0	0
Derby	23673	23673		6788	6788	6788
Eastborough	754		754	0	0	0
Garden Plain	898	898		344	344	344
Goddard	4746	4746		1759	1759	1759
Haysville	11278		11278	0	0	0
Kechi	2007	2007		521	521	521
Maize	4557	4557		1729	1729	1729
Mt. Hope	805	805		329	329	329
Mulvane	6359		6359	0	0	0
Park City	7336	7336		2237	2237	2237
Sedgwick	1703		1703	0	0	0
Valley Center	7300	7300		2168	2168	2167
Viola	129		129	0	0	0
Wichita	390591	390591		65495	65495	65495
TOTAL SEDGWICK COUNTY				85071	121455	105969

City/County	Total Population	Current Participation	Total Non-Represented Population	2019 REAP Dues	Old Fee Structure	New Fee Structure
Harvey County	34544		10120	5245	5245	4619
Burrton	874		874	0	0	0
Halstead	2054		2054	0	0	0
Hesston	3782	3782		1605	1605	1605
Newton	18869	18869		6019	6019	6019
North Newton	1773	1773		484	484	484
Sedgwick	1703		1703	0	0	0
Walton	235		235	0	0	0
TOTAL HARVEY COUNTY				13353	13353	12727
Butler County	49570		10097	0	6222	3616
Andover	13111	13111		5098	5098	5098
Augusta	9389	9389		2502	2502	2502
Benton	873		873	0	0	0
Cassoday	130		130	0	0	0
Douglass	1681		1681	0	0	0
Elbing	226		226	0	0	0
El Dorado	12993	12993		5079	5079	5079
Latham	138		138	0	0	0
Leon	732		732	0	0	0
Potwin	438		438	0	0	0
Rose Hill	3980	3980		1637	1637	1637
Towanda	1470		1470	0	0	0
Whitewater	731		731	0	0	0
TOTAL BUTLER COUNTY				14316	20538	17932
Sumner County	23159		14125	0	4505	5260
Argonia	483		483	0	0	0
Belle Plaine	1581		1581	0	0	0
Caldwell	1009		1009	0	0	0
Conway Springs	1212	1212		394	394	394
Geuda Springs	178		178	0	0	0
Hunnewell	64		64	0	0	0
Mayfield	107		107	0	0	0
Milan	78		78	0	0	0
Oxford	1012		1012	0	0	0
South Haven	4347		4347	0	0	0

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Wellington	7822	7822		2252	2252	2252
TOTAL SUMNER COUNTY				2646	7151	7706
Reno County	62510		19281	0	7063	6085
Abbeyville	87		87	0	0	0
Arlington	453		453	0	0	0
Buhler	1289		1289	0	0	0
Haven	1199		1199	0	0	0
Hutchinson	40772	40722		9524	9524	9524
Langdon	42		42	0	0	0
Nickerson	1009		1009	0	0	0
Partridge	242		242	0	0	0
Plevna	97		97	0	0	0
Pretty Prairie	654		654	0	0	0
South Hutchinson	2507	2507		601	601	601
Sylvia	218		218	0	0	0
Turon	373		373	0	0	0
Willowbrook	83		83	0	0	0
TOTAL RENO COUNTY				10125	17188	16210
McPherson County	28615		10272	0	4860	4644
Canton	708		708	0	0	0
Galva	865		865	0	0	0
Inman	1335		1335	0	0	0
Lindsborg	3268	3268		1523	1528	1523
Marquette	610		610	0	0	0
McPherson	13201	13201		5112	5112	5112
Moundridge	1874	1874		500	500	500
Windom	126		126	0	0	0
TOTAL MCPHERSON COUNTY				7135	12000	11779
Harper County	5590		4235	0	1363	1678
Anthony	2132		2132	0	0	0
Attica	570		570	0	0	0
Bluff City	59		59	0	0	0
Danville	34		34	0	0	0
Freeport	4		4	0	0	0
Harper	1355	1355		417	417	417
Waldron	10		10	0	0	0

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TOTAL HARPER COUNTY				417		2095
Cowley County	35361		35361	0	5298	8658
Arkansas City	11866		11866	0	0	0
Atlanta	183		183	0	0	0
Burden	528		528	0	0	0
Cambridge	82		82	0	0	0
Dexter	274		274	0	0	0
Parkerfield	419		419	0	0	0
Udall	718		718	0	0	0
Winfield	12104		12104	0	0	0
TOTAL COWLEY COUNTY					0	8658
Kingman County	7360		7360	0	1478	2178
Cunningham	452			0		0
Kingman	2929			0		0
Nashville	59			0		0
Norwich	453			0		0
Penalosa	18			0		0
Spivey	80			0		0
Zenda	80			0		0
TOTAL KINGMAN COUNTY						2178

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Donna Clasen (Maize) motioned to approve rate fees with the amendment to hold counties harmless for a period of one year to a maximum 10% increase in county fee should any participating city within their county choose to not rejoin REAP. Mayor **Rex Satterthwaite** seconded. **Motion carried 14-0.**

B. John Waltner Update: Meetings with Pratt Chamber of Commerce have stalled

C. Joint Communication Strategies:

Rainwater provided and update on the Partners for Regional Collaboration which met on Wednesday, July 17 (formerly Center for Regional Collaboration):

- Workgroup name change – The group discussed changing the name of the workgroup to Partners for Regional Collaboration (PRC) to better reflect who we are and what we do. CRC gives an indication that we are an institution. Members in attendance agreed to change the name of the workgroup to PRC and all future correspondence and references will reflect this change.

- Videos – First hike/bike video is complete. Seven more videos being planned.
- PRC Newsletter – July 2019
 - 302 distribution list
 - 28% open rate, 15% click rate
 - August PRC Newsletter was be sent on Tuesday, July 30

6. July 26 Regional Convening on Broadband Access Expansion Summary

As a result of the Convening, REAP staff will be working with industry and policy makers to design a collaborative “tool kit” for elected officials which will explain the differences between types of internet/data/cellular services and possible ways to finance expansion. This toolkit will be made available to all REAP members. Staff will also meet with REAP members and regional partners to identify possible legislative priorities related to this topic for the 2020 legislative session.

7. October 18 Regional Convening: Possible Topics

- Mobility & Connectivity (planning for future transportation needs)
- Alternative/renewable Energy
- Mental/Behavioral Health

8. Other Business

- Power Through Policy
Thursday, August 29, 2019, 11AM – 4:30 PM
Wichita State University – Rhatigan Student Center
1845 Fairmount St, Wichita, KS
- City-To-City Tour
Sept. 11-13
San Antonio, TX
Focus: Economic Development, Mental Health/Homelessness and Education
- Economic Developmetn conference: Center for Economic Development & Business Research
40th ANNUAL KANSAS ECONOMIC OUTLOOK CONFERENCE
Thursday, October 3, 2019 from 7:30-11:30 AM
Century II Convention Center
225 W. Douglas Ave., Wichita, KS
- October 8: Workforce Innovation Conference
- September 7: Community Conversation on Childcare – Lindsborg, KS
More info at tinyurl.com/2019-09-07

The meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

Meeting Attendance

Commissioner Chip Westfall, Harvey County
Mayor Rex Satterthwaite, Bentley
Mayor Terry Somers, Mount Hope

Council Member Tom Jones, Park City
Clayton Snyder, Harper
Bob Myers, Newton

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Submitted by Laura Rainwater

Item #2

Cindy Claycomb, Wichita
Mayor Donna Clasen, Maize
Lucas Neese, Lindsborg
Kathy Sexton, Derby

Ty Lasher, Bel Aire
Mayor Tom Brown, McPherson
Randy Frazer, Moundridge

REAP Members Attendance

Anthony Swartzendruber, Harvey County
Sean Fox, City Administrator, Park City
Gib Burgan, Moundridge
John Waltner, Harvey County

Staff/ Guests

Laura Rainwater, REAP
Keith Lawing, REAP
Mike Zamrzla, Senator Jerry Moran's Office
Brett Letkowski, Transystems

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