

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WAS HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE
6767 EAST MAIN STREET, STOCKTON, CA
ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017 AT 12:00 NOON

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President McGurk called the regular meeting to order at 12:17 p.m., and Director Panizza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call were Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza and Sanguinetti. Director Watkins was absent. Also present were Manager Moody, Assistant Manager Johnson, Finance Director Vega, District Engineer Lee, Administrative Services Manager Carido, Administrative Clerk Curtis and Legal Counsel Zolezzi.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 09/26/17 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the September 26, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Watkins

2. Warrants

- a. Fund 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- b. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
- c. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- d. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- e. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- f. Summary
- g. Short Names/Acronym List
- h. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director Sanguinetti inquired on the expense on page 10, line item 43 for Quill Corporation for pencil holder ordered 08/17/17 in the amount of \$18.31. Finance Director Vega replied the purchase was for a supply caddy for a desk.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 16, line item 46 for United Rentals North America Inc. for equipment rental for cleanout of tank farm tunnel in the amount of \$1,989.71. Manager Moody replied this was a vacuum truck rental to clean out the underground piping prior to the new tank installation.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the October 3, 2017 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Watkins

3. Bellota Trash Rack Bid Memo

Manager Moody provided the Board with a handout of the Bellota Trash Rack Bid Memo. Manager Moody reported the current trash rack was installed in 1979 and after 38-years of continuous service, the mechanical trash rack system requires replacement of several components; such as, the chain links, conveyor belts and entire sprocket and chain drive assembly.

Director Atkins inquired if the chain is made of stainless steel. Manager Moody replied no.

President McGurk inquired if the trash rack would need to be replaced once the Bellota Fish Screen Project gets underway. Manager Moody replied staff will do what is necessary to ensure the rehabilitated trash rack works with the Bellota Fish Screen Project.

Director Atkins inquired if the trash rack is pre-fabricated and set in place. District Engineer Lee replied yes.

District Engineer Lee reported Mechanical Analysis/Repair, Inc. (MarTech) was the only company to provide a bid to the District. MarTech will be responsible to remove the trash rack, replace the parts District staff has ordered and reinstall it.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve awarding the contract to Mechanical Analysis/Repair, Inc. (MarTech) in an amount not to exceed \$68,294.00, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Watkins

4. Dr. Joe Waidhofer Water Treatment Plant – Administration Building Safety Bollards

Manager Moody provided the Board with information on safety bollards to be installed in front of the Administration Building. Manager Moody reported the safety bollards are to aid in additional security for the Administration Building.

President McGurk inquired if staff had considered using large rocks as bollards. Manager Moody replied staff was planning to install removable poles in the event they needed to be removed for an emergency or general work in that area.

Director Sanguinetti inquired if the poles should be that close the building. Manager Moody replied staff looked at installing them where the sidewalk narrows to avoid chipping out concrete.

Director Cortopassi suggested adding cement planter boxes as a barrier along the entire walkway to prevent anyone from driving over the hedges.

Manager Moody advised staff will research planter boxes and bring back to the Board for consideration.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation – Water Committee Meeting, 09/26/17

Director Sanguinetti and Manager Moody attended the September 26, 2017 San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation – Water Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported discussion focused on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and if information should be sent out in tax bills. The Committee settled on attending grower meetings as they did this past year to get the information out. Manager Moody reported the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) has \$500,000 allocated in the project budget for public outreach. Director Panizza inquired if the Ag community seems to have a sense of where this is heading in terms of cost. Manager Moody replied the committee members are knowledgeable, but not the public. Manager Moody reported during this go around at the growers meetings, the public should gain a better understanding by being able to see projected costs, as those were not available before. President McGurk inquired if the grower meeting attendees will be provided with informational guides to take home. Manager Moody replied that was not a bad idea. The next meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2017.

2. AD HOC Technical Review Committee Meeting for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Work Group, 09/27/17

District Engineer Lee attended the September 27, 2017 AD HOC Technical Review Committee Meeting for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Work Group. District Engineer Lee reported the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) cost is estimated at \$2.3 million, a quarter of that cost is for communication outreach. The proposal to the state of California is to receive a grant in an amount up to \$1.5 million. District Engineer Lee reported if the cost is \$2.3 million than state funding would be \$1.15 million. District Engineer Lee reported if there are disadvantaged areas within the service area, there is potential to have 50% of the cost share waived, which would mean ~75% of the GSP would be paid for by the state. Given the new cost estimate of \$2.3 million, if the agencies decide to split the cost evenly, each Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) would be responsible for paying \$15,000-\$20,000 per year for 3-years. District Engineer Lee reported the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority (JPA) will be voting on a final decision for payment method in 2-weeks. The final GSP application is due November 13, 2017. President McGurk inquired if the Technical Review Committee is part of the JPA. District Engineer Lee replied they are the subcommittee of the group that evaluates the models, model inputs and what information should be included in the GSP. Manager Moody added the Technical Review Committee makes recommendations to the JPA. Director Cortopassi reported information about the GSP needs to be communicated to the community in a basic way to help everyone understand the complexity. District Engineer Lee agreed and replied 25% of the GSP budget is for communication to conduct outreach. The next meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2017.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 10/02/17

Manager Moody provided a handout of the Water Supply Report for information only that included storage, release, and production data collected from various sources as of midnight last night.

There is 197,851 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 140 cfs. There is 2,022,888 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 405 cfs and release to all water users are set at 1,008 cfs. The water treatment plant is currently processing 28 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 22 mgd.

2. Information Items:

Manager Moody noted items: F2a-1, F2a-2, F2a-3, F2a-4, F2a-5 and F2a-6.

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. California Special Districts Association – Annual Conference, Monterey, CA, 09/25/17 – 09/28/17

Assistant Manager Johnson attended the 2017 California Special Districts Association – Annual Conference in Monterey, California. Assistant Manager Johnson reported it was a good conference. The networking and speakers were good. Assistant Manager Johnson reported he attended breakout sessions on; service animals in the workplace and employee engagement and team building. Assistant Manager Johnson reported the legislative update was informative. The Little Hoover Commission report came out with 20 recommendations that were favorable towards special districts. They are looking for more special district representation on Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) and recommending how to improve transparency among special districts. Assistant Manager Johnson reported SB 496 (Cannella) was signed into law. This bill eliminates the indemnification of a public agency contracting with design professionals for legal defense costs against claims related to the design professional's work. The District and CSDA respectfully opposed SB 496. Assistant Manager Johnson reported currently pending on the Governor's desk is SB 63, which is for extended family leave. The current threshold is 50 employees before districts must offer extended family leave. If passed, the threshold will be dropped to 20 employees. Assistant Manager Johnson reported SB 448 was signed into law that encompasses an expedited process for dissolution of inactive districts.

Manager Moody reported he received a call from a local agency that works with youth activities and is looking for donations. Manager Moody reported, typically, donations made by the District have some sort of connection to the District itself or the nature of the business. Seeing as there was no input from the Board, Manager Moody advised he will explain to the organization that the District is not interested at this time as it is a public agency and must be conscientious of donating public funds.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Stockton East Water District – 2017-2018 Fall/Winter Newsletter, 09/29/17

Manager Moody provided the Board with the District's 2017-2018 Fall/Winter Newsletter. This item was for information only.

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. San Joaquin County Agricultural Drought Task Force Meeting, 9:00 a.m., 10/04/17

2. ACWA Work Group Meeting – AB 1427, Sacramento, CA, 10/05/17

3. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – Business Showcase & Tradeshow Mixer – University Plaza Waterfront Hotel, 5:30 p.m., 10/05/17
4. East Bay Municipal Utilities District – 24th Annual Pardee BBQ, 11:30 a.m., 10/06/17
5. District Holiday – Columbus Day, 10/09/17

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

1. Closed Session – Potential Litigation
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – two cases

President McGurk adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:15 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:51 p.m., with no reportable action.

J. ADJOURNMENT

President McGurk adjourned the meeting at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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