

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, FEBRUARY 8, 2022 AT 12:30 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President Watkins called the regular meeting to order at 12:30 p.m., and Director Atkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Manager Moody, Assistant Manager Hopkins, Finance Director Vega, District Engineer Evensen, Administrative Services Manager Carido, Administrative Clerk Feliciano, Consultant Barkett and Legal Counsel Zolezzi. Present at roll call via teleconference were Directors Atkins and Panizza.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 02/01/22 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the February 1, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the January 11, 2022 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

3. Stockton East Water District – Proposition 1 Restoration Grant Resolution Memo, 02/08/22

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the Proposition 1 Grant Funding for the Bellota Fish Screen and Passage Improvement Project. Manager Moody reported Staff would like to submit a grant application for the California Department Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Proposition 1 Restoration Grant; the Grant has approximately \$31 million of available funding for various habitat restoration projects. Manager Moody stated the Project is multi-phased and expensive and funding for Phase 1 would show commitment to the Fishery Agencies which would hopefully encourage support for larger grants in the future.

President Watkins inquired on the scope of work for Phase 1. Manager Moody replied Phase 1 includes ramp installation, demolition of the existing weir structure and adding the pipeline and foundation.

Director McGurk inquired if there is an option for local grant funding opportunities. Manager Moody replied this is the only grant for funding at this time. Assistant Manager Hopkins stated the District is presenting a 90/10 percent cost share which would cover ~\$14 million of the ~\$16 million cost of Phase 1; the estimated amount was calculated as an opinion of probable construction cost. Assistant Manager Hopkins added the District may negotiate with the CDFW to a 50/50 percent cost share if award limitations are presented.

President Watkins inquired about the pilings under the pipes. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied they are included in the cost estimate. President Watkins inquired if the design has been finalized. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied no, Staff received the 90% design yesterday and is planning to take a field trip to the Alameda County facility.

Consultant Barkett inquired how long after Phase 1 could the District wait to continue on to Phase 2. Manager Moody replied as long as necessary. Consultant Barkett inquired if the District would consider doing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to obtain value engineering in order to gain a more accurate construction cost estimate. Manager Moody replied it is a possibility but not in time to submit for the grant. Consultant Barkett inquired if it could be done for the whole Project. Manager Moody replied yes.

Director McGurk inquired if there is a gradual slope on the apron for the fish. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied it is part of Phase 1 which includes a roughened channel.

Assistant Manager Hopkins recommended the Board approve an Addendum to the Professional Services Agreement with Kennedy Jenks for additional grant writing services specific to the Bellota Fish Screen and Passage Improvement Project, Phase 1.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the recommendation from staff; and authorize the General Manager to approve the addendum to a Professional Services Agreement with Kennedy Jenks for additional grant writing services specific to the Bellota Fish Screen and Passage Improvement Project for \$17,739 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount of \$19,513, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- a. Resolution No. 21-22-14 – Approving Financial Support for Proposition 1 Restoration Grant
President Watkins suggested the Resolution remove the negotiation of changing the cost share and suggested eliminating the 50/50 cost-share paragraph.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 21-22-14 – Approving Financial Support for Proposition 1 Restoration Grant, as amended.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

4. Resolution No. 21-22-15 – Approving the Disposal of Surplus Property

Manager Moody provided the Board with Resolution No. 21-22-15 – Approving the Disposal of Surplus Property. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported on the surplus items as presented in the pictures. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported the District has all the electrical and SCADA Project used wire and remnants in a bin that is overflowing. President Watkins agreed to surplus the wire.

Director Sanguinetti inquired if the 3hp motor still worked. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied no the frame was broken, it burned up, and no longer works.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 21-22-15 – Approving the Disposal of Surplus Property, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Ad-Hoc Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting, 02/03/22

President Watkins and Manager Moody attended the February 3, 2022 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Ad-Hoc Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting. Manager Moody reported the Accountability Framework Model is being executed by Woodard & Curran. Manager Moody reported discussion regarding a response to Department of Water Resources (DWR); the official comments must be submitted within 180 days however the attorney group will be drafting a response in order to avoid any issues due to a current pending lawsuit. Manager Moody reported the attorneys and a few districts participated in a call to create a process to submit to the GWA Board. Manager Moody stated the comments to DWR have to sufficiently explain our Groundwater Sustainability Plan in the correct verbiage in order for DWR to approve the GSP. President Watkins reported the deficit is now being reported at ~16,000 acre-feet on average. President Watkins reported prior to Woodard & Curran executing the model, Davids was hired to execute the contact; an email was sent to explain there was trouble collecting the scope, schedule, budget and deliverables established during the negotiations with Davids. President Watkins reported Woodard & Curran was paid ~\$50,000 in December 2021 to execute the model for Davids; the fund will have to discussed at the GWA Board level. Director Cortopassi inquired about the current lawsuit with the GSP. Legal Counsel Zolezzi replied the lawsuit was filed by CalSPA stating the GSP is inadequate. The next meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2022.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 02/07/22

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 133,241 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 61 cfs. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 1,503 cfs and release to all water users are set at 0 cfs. The water treatment plant is currently processing 28 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 8 mgd.

2. Information Items:
Manager Moody noted item: F2a-1, F2a-2 and F2a-3.
3. Report on General Manager Activities
 - a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody reported a meeting with North San Joaquin Water Conservation District and San Joaquin County regarding a substantial grant opportunity for groundwater recharge. Manager Moody reported the grant may have a clause that states the water can be recharged but it cannot be counted toward the Groundwater Sustainability Plan; should that be true the District is not interested in applying for the grant.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – Weberstown Mall, 02/03/22
Nothing to report.

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Board Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 02/09/22
2. District Holiday – Lincoln’s Birthday, 02/11/22
3. San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting, 9:00 a.m., 02/14/22

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

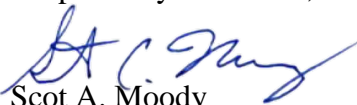
1. Closed Session – Potential Litigation
Government Code 54956.9 (c) two cases

President Watkins adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:07 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:32 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Watkins adjourned the meeting at 1:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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