

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, JUNE 8, 2021 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 McGurk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 06/01/21 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the June 1, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Warrants

- a. Fund 56 – Construction Fund
- b. Fund 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- c. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
- d. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- e. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- f. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- g. Summary
- h. Short Names/Acronym List
- i. SEWD Vehicles & Equipment

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 9, line item 6 for Dameron Medical Group Inc. for dive exam in the amount of \$1,895.00. Manager Moody reported this cost is for 6 dive exams.

Director Atkins inquired on the expenses on page 12, line item 32 for Pace Supply Corp. for PVC for squirrel abatement in the amount of \$146.16 and line items 40 & 41 for San Joaquin County Ag Commissions for pesticide for squirrel apartment in the amounts of \$113.14 and

\$113.13. Manager Moody replied Pace was for the pipe and the Ag Commission was for the pesticides.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 16, line item 83 for Uline Inc. for cabinets for storage of gear vehicle storage 1 in the amount of \$1,131.69. Manager Moody reported the storage cabinets are for construction items so they will no longer be stored with the dive equipment.

Director Cortopassi inquired on the expense on page 12, line item 38 for Rubicon Systems America Inc. for purchase of Rubicon 48” SlipMeter for 66” spillway in the amount of \$42,561.25. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied this is the vault for Peters Pipeline that crosses Mormon Slough. Manager Moody added this will allow the District to drain Peters Pipeline and release water into Mormon Slough to avoid using Calaveras water that low in the system. This was a Project that was discussed with the Ag Ops Committee during the budget review.

Director McGurk inquired on the expense on page 12, line item 39 for Rubicon Systems America Inc. for supervision and commission of slip meter at Mosher in the amount of \$750.00. Manager Moody replied this is the cost for the subscription to use the Rubicon System that the Board previously approved.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the June 8, 2021 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

3. Stockton East Water District – Update – SGMA Projects Memo, 06/08/21

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding an update on the SGMA projects. Manager Moody reported staff is still working on the living document that was discussed last week, but wanted to take the initial step and put this information in front of the Board.

Manager Moody reported staff estimates ~32,000 acre-feet of surface water per year if all projects are completed. If the Central consolidation goes through there are several landowners waiting to get permits to begin taking surface water.

Manager Moody reported Central comes with an extra 40,000-45,000 acre-feet of water per year they are not using from their New Melones contract. This item was for information only.

4. Stockton East Water District – 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Update

a. Public Hearing

President Watkins opened the Public Hearing at 12:37 p.m. to receive comments on the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Update. Manager Moody reported this Plan is required to be reviewed and updated every 5-years.

Manager Moody reported comments were received from Cal Water late Friday afternoon, thus were not able to make it into the Agenda Packet. The comments were sent to Provost & Pritchard, the UWMP Consultant. The Consultant explained some of what was

commented on was covered fairly well in the Plan and the remainder were based on assumptions.

Manager Moody thanked Cal Water for their comments and reported the Board was provided the comments via a handout and would review them ~~comments will be put before the Board~~ for further consideration. Manager Moody suggested the Board continue to move forward with consideration and approval of the Plan today and the comments will be reviewed and amendments can be made at a later date if needed.

Seeing no public comment, President Watkins closed the Public Hearing at 12:39 p.m.

- b. Resolution No. 21-22-04 – 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Update (UWMP)
Manager Moody provided the Board with Resolution No. 21-22-04 – 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Update.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 21-22-04 – 2020 Urban Water Management Plan Update.

Roll Call:

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

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting, 06/02/21
Director Watkins and Manager Moody attended the June 2, 2021 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting. President Watkins reported the Committee will be using the Ad Hoc's recommendation for budget and payment options for the 16 agencies and will be recommending the agreed upon options to the GWA Board. There were a couple updates from FloodMAR and comments from DWR. Manager Moody reported there was discussion on the County using Zone 2 funds to cover the white areas, which are areas that are not covered under a special district. Manager Moody pointed out the areas on a map to those in the room and the areas include the east and south sides of CSJWCD and northwest corner of the County. The concern is that those areas are not contributing to the GWA as the other agencies are. Director Panizza inquired on the amount of acreage involved with the white areas. Manager Moody replied it is a significant amount. The next meeting is scheduled for July 14, 2021.
2. Eastern Water Alliance Meeting, 06/07/21
Directors McGurk, Sanguinetti and Alternate Watkins and Manager Moody and staff attended the June 7, 2021 Eastern Water Alliance (EWA) Meeting. Director McGurk reported this meeting was called as the permit conditions for the DREAM Project are not being met and there needs to be an amendment to the permit. The County Board of Supervisors (BOS) have an agenda item today that would make the Monitoring Committee for the DREAM Project official, which would then allow for the permit amendment to be taken to the BOS for consideration. Director McGurk reported there were no action items at this meeting. A meeting was scheduled for June 21st that will include an action item for improving the monitoring and operating conditions of the Project. Director Sanguinetti reported the Project

must be completed by 2025 or water will be lost. Director Watkins reported there was one interesting outcome that maybe SGMA is starting to trickle down to the grower level. It seems as if now landowners are asking to get on surface water. The next meeting has been tentatively scheduled for June 21, 2021.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 06/07/21

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 134,106 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 165 cfs. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 1,194 cfs and release to all water users are set at 166 cfs. There are 10 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 6 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 0 Out-of-District irrigator(s). The water treatment plant is currently processing 31 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 23 mgd.

2. Information Items:

Manager Moody noted items: F2a-1 and F2a-2.

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody inquired if the Board would like staff to move forward with the phytophthora study or if they would like to provide input first. Director McGurk inquired what will happen with the study after it is complete. Manager Moody replied that the intent was to refresh the old study and reassure landowners that they can use surface water without harming crops. Director Cortopassi inquired if this study is supposed to offset the fallacy that surface water ruins crops. Manager Moody replied yes. Director Cortopassi replied the study needs to be concise and verifiable so that landowners have no reason to go against the results and not pump surface water. Director Atkins inquired on the location of the samples to be taken. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied there are 40 sites, with a plan to sample each 3 times, totaling to 120 samples of soil. There will be 6 sites to sample water from the river and 20 sites to sample water where it exits the on-farm irrigation systems. Manager Moody added that staff is looking for a comprehensive overview within this study.

Director Sanguinetti reported there is also a moss issue in the water. He suggested staff look into what is causing it. Manager Moody replied staff will research. President Watkins added there is equipment that can be put in place to help landowners still pump water with moss. There are screens for pumps that would help with pumping water with moss.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 06/09/21

2. San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting, 9:00 a.m., 06/14/21

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

1. Closed Session - Existing Litigation
Stockton East Water District vs. City of Stockton, et al.
Government Code 54956.9 (a)

2. Closed Session - Personnel
Government Code 54957

President Watkins adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:03 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:28 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Watkins adjourned the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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