

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, JANUARY 5, 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. Director Panizza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 12/29/2020 – Regular Board Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the December 29, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Warrants

- a. Fund 56 – Construction 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

Manager Moody reported on an inquiry from the Board regarding the December 22, 2020 warrants for herbicide along New Melones system in the amount of \$6,130.98. Manager Moody reported annually a representative from the company visits the area and recommends the type & amount of herbicide to be used prior to purchase and application.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the January 5, 2021 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

3. Resolution No. 20-21-12 – COVID-19 Essential Worker Designation

Manager Moody provided the Board with Resolution No. 20-21-12 – COVID-19 Essential Worker Designation. Manager Moody reported currently staff has a letter signed by the General Manager to carry in their vehicles in-case they are stopped and have to prove they are essential and need to proceed to/from work. Manager Moody reported if the Board approves, all staff will be provided a copy of the Resolution with the seal that could be used when the District’s employees would be able to receive the COVID-19 vaccine per the applicable phase of vaccine distribution. Director Sanguinetti commented the Resolution should include why the District is essential and include language such as “the District provides drinking water to the City of Stockton”. Director Panizza added to also include “the District is a 24-hour operation”.

Director Atkins inquired if the employees currently have any documentation. Manager Moody replied the employees have been provided a letter that is signed by the General Manager.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 20-21-12 – COVID-19 Essential Worker Designation, as amended.

Roll Call:

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

4. Stockton East Water District – Potter Creek Aerial Lidar Survey Budgetary Quote Memo, 01/05/21

Assistant Manager Hopkins provided the Board with an overview of the Memo. Approximately a month ago at a Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget Review Meeting, the Agricultural Operations Committee advised staff to survey a 5-mile section of Potter Creek from Fine Road to Mormon Slough. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported the cost to perform a standard ground survey with cross sections every 100 feet would be ~\$57,000. Staff requested a budgetary quote for a drone survey to perform an aerial Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) survey. Staff received a budgetary quote from GIS Surveyors, Inc. (GSI) in the amount ~\$24,000. Staff is requesting the Board authorize staff to proceed with the LiDAR survey of Potter Creek and solicit additional quotes from other companies that have proficiency in aerial LiDAR surveying and bring the quotes back to the Board. Staff also recommends the Board authorize the General Manager to approve the aerial LiDAR survey of Potter Creek if the Proposal is below the threshold of \$25,000 which is in accordance with the District’s Purchasing Policy.

Director Cortopassi commented on clarifying with the Committee was advising staff to do. Director Cortopassi reported the Committee advised staff to survey this area to identify the creek’s elevations to determine where the District would install dams. Assistant Manager Hopkins confirmed this is correct and the drone survey will provide more information than a traditional survey. Director McGurk inquired if the County’s Flood Control or Maintenance

Departments already has this information. President Watkins replied not being aware that the County has this information. Manager Moody added that the County's information if they had it, might not be as accurate.

Director Cortopassi inquired on the budget for this expense. Manager Moody replied the drone survey was not included in Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget but there are funds in the Engineering budget this Fiscal Year.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve staff proceeding with a LiDAR survey of Potter Creek after receiving firm quotes from GSI and two additional companies; authorizing the General Manager to approve the aerial LiDAR survey of Potter Creek in accordance with the District's Purchasing Policy, and making a budget amendment to the current Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget to fund the LiDAR survey from the Engineering Budget.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

5. Stockton East Water District – Banking Services Update

Finance Director Vega gave an update to the Board regarding the District's banking services. Finance Director Vega reported all funds from the County have been transferred to F&M Bank, direct deposit for payroll this week will be paid by ADP and staff will look into courier services later this week.

Director Panizza inquired if some money was still held with the County. Finance Director Vega reported all monies held with the County have been moved over to F&M Bank as approved by the Board in September but there may be some residuals from collections such as from property taxes. Accounts payable have been moved in-house and the last check run was initiated, has cleared and transfers were performed online as appropriate. Remote deposits are now also being made into F&M Bank. Payroll is currently being finalized and the first payroll administered through ADP with direct deposits is going-out on normal schedule. Finance Director Vega reported he has received good and responsive customer service from F&M Bank.

President Watkins inquired if an email will still be mailed when direct deposits are made. Finance Director Vega replied yes. This item was for information only.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS (None)

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 12/28/20

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 132,717 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 27 cfs. There is 1,550,318 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam

to Stanislaus River are set at 140 cfs and release to all water users are set at 37 cfs. The water treatment plant is currently processing 21 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 12 mgd.

2. Information Items:

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

3. Report on General Manager Activities

Manager Moody reported on the status of scheduling the Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District (Central) & SEWD Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported it was the consensus of SEWD to meet on January 15th. Manager Moody contacted Reid Roberts to inquire if the date worked for Central but has not yet received a response.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting, 9:00 a.m., 01/11/21

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

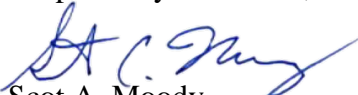
1. Closed Session - Potential Litigation
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – two cases
2. Closed Session - Personnel
Government Code 54957

President Watkins adjourned the meeting to closed session at 12:54 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:10 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Watkins adjourned the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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