# 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, AUGUST 16, 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 Panizza 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 Hopkins, District Engineer Evensen, Finance Director Vega, Administrative Clerk Feliciano and Legal Counsel Zolezzi.

# **B. CONSENT CALENDAR** (None)

#### C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

## D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 08/09/22 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the August 9, 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

- a. Fund 68 Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- b. Fund 70 Administration Fund
- c. Fund 71 Water Supply Fund
- d. Fund 89 Fish Passage Improvements Fund
- e. Fund 91 Vehicle Fund
- f. Fund 94 Municipal & Industrial Fund
- g. Summary
- h. Short Names/Acronym List
- i. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director McGurk inquired on the expense on page 18, line item 134 for Terracon Consultants, Inc. for material test services in the amount of \$1,819.00 and inquired if the vendor is billed separately from the project contractor. Manager Hopkins replied yes, Terracon Consultants, Inc bills the District directly.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 12, line item 62 for Rubicon Systems America Inc. for parts and labor to troubleshoot and replace extension tube at Cotta-Ferreira Dam in the amount of \$235.21. Manager Hopkins replied the expense was for repair of a new gate at the Cotta-Ferreira Dam.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 15, line item 89 for Big Valley Ford for grille, brackets, headlamp, bumper-hood to repair Unit 55 in the amount of \$1,430.36. Manager Hopkins replied a loader backed into Unit 55 requiring repair of the front end of Unit 55.

Director McGurk inquired why the Ford F250 S-Duty 4wd units are not all listed together on the Vehicle List; the units are listed in both the Vehicle column and the Heavy Equipment column. Manager Hopkins replied the Vehicle List will be updated to list them all together.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the August 16, 2022 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

3. Dr. Joe Waidhofer Drinking Water Treatment Plant – Sodium Hypochlorite Project Monthly Update District Engineer Evensen provided a presentation to the Board regarding the Dr. Joe Waidhofer Drinking Water Treatment Plant – Sodium Hypochlorite Project Monthly Update. District Engineer Evensen reported the project is 25% completed and a lot more progress will be shown in the coming month with the metal Hypochlorite Storage building going up. District Engineer Evensen presented the design for the Hypochlorite Facility and provided pictures of the finished concrete on the Chemical Storage Building. District Engineer Evensen reported the Chemical Feed Building design is equipped with an overhead door, emergency eyewash/shower, metering pumps, sink and storage, power and control panels and an eyewash/shower supply system. District Engineer Evensen reported the two chemical pump skids are mounted units with two pumps on each side for a total of four chemical (sodium hypochlorite) pumps. District Engineer Evensen reported the storm drain line was installed to prepare the underground in order to build the foundation. District Engineer Evensen provided the Board with the plan view of the Sodium Hypochlorite Project. District Engineer Evensen provided the Board with pictures of the electrical conduit trench in the Chemical Tank Farm Area. District Engineer Evensen provided the Board with a video of the concrete pour over the electrical conduit trench; red colored concrete was used as a form of caution that an electrical conduit is below. District Engineer Evensen provided the Board with a picture of the electrical conduit boring entering the Operations Building basement.

Director Cortopassi inquired if only one building is metal. District Engineer Evensen replied yes, the chemical feed building will be air conditioned and require insulation.

Director McGurk inquired about the meaning of CMU. District Engineer Evensen replied concrete masonry unit. Discussion followed regarding the construction of the concrete masonry units and the electrical conduits being placed within the CMU.

Director Atkins inquired about the design of the Hypochlorite Storage Building. District Engineer Evensen replied the south and west sides are equipped with walls to allow for shading to protect from sun and rain; the metal Hypochlorite Storage Building will be constructed quickly within only 3 days. This item was for information only.

4. Preliminary Base Monthly Payment Schedule – Fiscal Year 2023-2024
Manager Hopkins provided the Board with information on the Preliminary Base Monthly Payment (BMP) Schedule for Fiscal Year 2023/2024. Manager Hopkins reported the BMP schedule is brought to the Board annually to put together a preliminary schedule for budgeting.

Finance Director Vega reported this sets a plan to comply with the Second Amended Contract which requires a Preliminary Base Monthly Payment to be adopted before October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Director McGurk inquired what data is provided by the Urban Contractors. Finance Director Vega replied the Urban Contractors provide their water production data; proration of the BMP is based on production from The City of Stockton's Treatment Plant as well as the amount of water the Urban Contracts extract from the ground and the water they receive from the District. This item was for information only.

5. Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority – Solicitation For Partners to Develop Water Right Application No. 29836, 07/29/22

Manager Hopkins provided the Board with the Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority – Solicitation for Partners to Develop Water Right Application No. 29836. Manager Hopkins reported the District received a letter from the Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority via San Joaquin County Public Works Department requesting a partnership with the Mokelumne River Water and Power Authority to help perfect the County's Mokelumne River Water Right Application No. 29836. Manager Hopkins reported there is meeting being held on Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> to participate in the discussion should the Board be interested.

President Watkins stated the District signed an Agreement along with San Joaquin County, North San Joaquin Water Conservation District and East Bay Municipal Utility Department which would allow for the District to receive Mokelumne River Water. Discussion followed regarding the Agreement.

Director McGurk inquired about the involvement of the Eastern Water Alliance; in the future there will be more water demand and unknown water supply, storage and allocation. Director McGurk inquired if this is an opportunity to claim water for the District.

President Watkins stated District Staff should attend the meeting and locate the Agreement which entitles the District to Mokelumne River water. Discussion followed regarding the Solicitation for Partners to Develop Water Right Application No. 29836. This item was for information only.

#### E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting, 08/10/22
President Watkins and Manager Hopkins attended the August 10, 2022 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting. Manager Hopkins reported discussion regarding the public comments submitted to Department of Water Resources (DWR); there was a lack of public outreach and not enough time given for the public to comment. Manager Hopkins reported the Technical Advisory Committee decided to host a Groundwater Sustainability Workshop which will allow for the Committee to give insight into the process as well as allow for questions from the public. Manager Hopkins reported the County will be organizing the Workshop. Manager Hopkins reported DWR provided an update regarding funding to be released by the end of 2022/beginning of 2023 for groundwater sustainability projects; GWA Staff received direction to move forward with developing a submission process for GSA's with projects that have not been included in the GSP. President Watkins reported discussion regarding accounting framework and involving the Technical Advisory Committee and Legal/Policy Committee Members. The next meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2022.

## F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

Water Supply Report as of 08/15/22
 Board Meeting – 08/16/22
 DraftApproved

Manager Hopkins 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 78,937 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 281 cfs. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 254 cfs and release to all water users are set at 0 cfs. There are 20 irrigators on New Hogan, 0 irrigators on New Melones, and 0 irrigators out of District. The water treatment plant is currently processing 47 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 20 mgd. Manager Hopkins reported the District wells total water extraction is 6,447 gpm (~9.3 mgd).

#### 2. Information Items:

Manager Hopkins noted item: F2a-1, F2a-2, F2a-3 and F2a-4.

Director McGurk requested the Board be informed of the ACWA Fall Conference agenda to review the content before making reservations for the Conference.

## 3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update Manager Hopkins reported District Staff submitted a grant to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for the Bellota Fish Screen and Passage Improvement Project. This item was for information only.

Manager Hopkins reported a Press Release was advertised on the District website to announce the District's collaboration with San Joaquin County Office of Emergency Services, Self-Help Enterprises and Aero Pure Water Hauling to provide temporary clean water to rural residents living in San Joaquin County with wells that have gone dry. This item was for information only.

Manager Hopkins reported the Calaveras River FIROMAR & FloodMAR Study is slowly progressing; there are no results, they are still trying to correct all the data. This item was for information only.

#### **G. DIRECTOR REPORTS** (None)

## H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. California Farm Water Coalition – 2022 Membership, 07/18/22

Manager Hopkin provided the Board with the California Farm Water Coalition – 2022 Membership Thank You Letter. This item was for information only.

#### I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1. ACWA Groundwater Sub-Committee Meeting, 2:00 p.m., 08/16/22
- 2. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Advisory Commission Meeting, 8:30 a.m., 08/17/22
- 3. ACWA Special State Legislative Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 08/17/22 \*This meeting has been cancelled\*
- 4. CVP Water Association Executive and Financial Affairs Committees Meeting Schedule, 10:00 a.m., 08/19/22
- Mark Wellsfry's Retirement Luncheon, Noon, 08/19/22
   Board Meeting 08/16/22
   DraftApproved

6. Stockton Area Water Suppliers (SAWS) Meeting, 1:00 p.m., 08/19/22

## J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

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

President Watkins adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:04 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:21 p.m., with the no reportable action.

# K. ADJOURNMENT

President Watkins adjourned the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin M. Hopkins Secretary of the Board

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