

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 29, 2017 AT 12:00 NOON

**A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL**

President McGurk called the regular meeting to order at 12:21 p.m., and Legal Counsel Zolezzi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR** (None)

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT** (None)

**D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Minutes 08/22/17 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the August 22, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

2. Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the August 29, 2017 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

3. Dr. Joe Waidhofer Water Treatment Plant – Water Quality Disinfection Alternatives

Manager Moody provided the Board with information on the Water Quality Disinfection Alternatives for the Dr. Joe Waidhofer Water Treatment Plant. District Engineer Lee reported the information provided is sized to the capacity of the Treatment Plant for current and future needs.

Manager Moody reported if the Board is in agreement, he will share this information with the Urban Contractors (UCs) so they can compare it to their information and generate conversation between the entities.

Director Sanguinetti inquired if the proposed location is near the generators. District Engineer Lee replied yes, the proposal is to build the facility next to High Service near the current generators.

Director Panizza inquired if the proposed facility will be flexible enough to handle the volume changes from winter to summer and if staff plans to deplete all chemicals before replenishing. District Engineer Lee replied the facility will be able to handle the volume change load and will allow the chemicals to reach ~20% capacity and will replenish at that time.

Director Panizza inquired if there is an advantage to having the proposed facility built near High Service versus placing offsite. Manager Moody replied the City was originally planning to put their injection site in close proximity of the District, so the distance would not make a difference.

Director Panizza inquired if the proposed location is more cost effective for providing water to the UCs. Manager Moody replied yes.

Director Watkins inquired on the mechanics of the proposed process, if the process of treating water would change. Manager Moody replied no, the process of treating water prior to reaching this system would not change. This would compensate for the free chlorine already in the water.

Director Atkins inquired what the process is after chlorine is added to the water. District Engineer Lee replied once chlorine is added to the water it is considered free chlorine; it is a radical agent that oxidizes. Ammonium is then added which makes it chloraminated water. The process is essentially adding a chemical to cause a reaction to the water.

Director Watkins inquired on the necessity of using a 6,000-gallon tank if we are only introducing ammonium. District Engineer Lee replied staff is researching using liquid chlorine versus gas chlorine; the proposed tank is if the District were to transfer to liquid chlorine. Staff is still evaluating the effectiveness and reliability of changing chlorine types.

Director Watkins inquired if injection is prior to or after the water reaches High Service. District Engineer Lee replied it would be after High Service. However, staff is researching moving the chlorination point after High Service as well; otherwise, trihalomethanes (THMs) will still be generated.

Director Atkins inquired if the City's pumps will require a chloramination system nearby to chloramine their water. District Engineer Lee replied yes.

Manager Moody reported this facility could be as small as a shed that would only supply chloraminated water to the City; however, it was designed as if the entire Water Treatment Plant would chloramine water at the capacity of 65 mgd.

Director Cortopassi inquired if it is possible to run this remotely. Manager Moody replied yes.

Director Watkins inquired on the next steps to move forward. Manager Moody replied he will share this information with the UCs and Chief Plant Operator at the City of Stockton. This item was for information only.

4. Department of the Interior United States Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Drought Response Program – Request for Time Extension Form  
Manager Moody provided the Board with information on the Department of the Interior United States Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Drought Response Program – Request for Time Extension Form. Manager Moody this is a 2-year extension, not 1-year as previously reported.

Director Watkins inquired if the District will apply for other funding. Manager Moody replied staff will apply to all available funding; however, if the District receives federal funding, the WaterSMART Grant must be turned down, per stipulations of the grant.

Director Watkins reported the new WaterSMART Grants are for \$700,000, not \$300,000 like the current Grant the District has been awarded. Director Watkins inquired if the District can cancel the current Grant and re-apply. Manager Moody replied that is an option.

There was consensus of the Board to apply for the 2-year time extension for the Department of the Interior United States Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Drought Response Program.

## **E. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation – Water Committee Meeting, 08/22/17  
Directors Sanguinetti and Watkins and Manager Moody attended the August 22, 2017 San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation – Water Committee Meeting. Julianne Phillips reported Dylan George, PG&E discussed the changes in time of use periods, as there will be significant changes expected. There will now be off-peak, semi-peak and on-peak times. These peak times will run 7-days a week; there will no longer be weekend reprieve. Director Cortopassi inquired on the change of peak hours and power that is being sent to Arizona. Director Watkins replied the use of solar has brought this change; the Public Utilities Commission is trying to make changes to offset the solar use. A situation has been created where the power has nowhere to go. Ms. Phillips reported there was discussion on the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and discussion on how to divide the costs among entities. It is assumed that the costs will effect large Ag districts the hardest because of their groundwater users. Manager Moody reported Mia Brown is the new in-house counsel for South San Joaquin Irrigation District. The next meeting is scheduled for September 26, 2017.
2. AD HOC Technical Review Committee Meeting for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Work Group, 08/23/17  
District Engineer Lee attended the August 23, 2017 AD HOC Technical Review Committee Meeting for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Work Group. District Engineer Lee reported there was discussion on the groundwater model and the consultant gathered data. GEI Consultants, Inc. (GEI) was selected to help prepare the grant application. They sent a questionnaire to members inquiring how they feel on the current progress, where their technical expertise lies, what the general basin looks like, etc. District Engineer Lee reported this questionnaire allows GEI to gauge how much money should be requested in the grant, help assess where the group is and provided information on the groundwater basin. District Engineer Lee reported the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Cost Share Methodology was discussed. Cost-sharing methods discussed could be based on acres, population and an equal split among the 17 agencies. If the selected method is based on acres, then North San Joaquin Water Conservation District would have the most shares, almost at ~20%. The District would come in at about 100,000 acres which is ~\$195,000. If based on population, the City of Stockton is the most populated and would pick-up ~46% of the GSP cost, which would be \$693,000. The District Board Meeting – 08/29/17

would pay ~\$71,000. The equal share that everyone would pay would be \$88,000 paid over three years. District Engineer Lee reported this will all be worked out at the next meeting. Director Watkins inquired on the change of the total cost from what has previously been reported. District Engineer Lee replied the total cost would be \$1.5 million, which is a matched cost. The total overall is estimated to be \$3 million. Director Cortopassi inquired where the money goes. District Engineer Lee replied it will develop the GSP and explain how agencies can use more surface water when available and not pump groundwater. Director Cortopassi inquired what the \$3 million will include. Manager Moody replied it will be used to develop a GSP that will inform the Department of Water Resources (DWR) how each agency is sustainable. Legal Counsel Zolezzi added the document will report what the current groundwater conditions are, trends and what needs to be put in the ground. The next meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2017.

## **F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER**

### **1. Water Supply Report as of 08/28/17**

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 211,497 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 218 cfs. There is 2,049,282 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 1,505 cfs and release to all water users are set at 2,678 cfs. The water treatment plant is currently processing 37 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 26 mgd.

### **2. Information Items:**

Manager Moody noted items: F2a-1, F2a-2, F2a-3, F2a-4, F2a-5, F2a-6, F2a-7 and F2a-8.

### **3. Report on General Manager Activities**

#### **a. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 08/25/17**

Manager Moody attended the August 25, 2017 ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported this was the last meeting of the legislative session; the October meeting will be a planning meeting for ACWA sponsored legislation. There was discussion on SB 623 (Monning); ACWA has launched a social media campaign against this bill. There was discussion on AB 401 – Implementation (Affordability) Update, which is additional tax on water to compensate disadvantaged communities. Manager Moody reported the Little Hoover Commission provided an update with recommendations for making it easier for special district representation on LAFCo. There were transparency comments on special districts being required to have a website. The next meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2017.

## **G. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

### **1. Stockton East Water District Employee BBQ & Potluck, 08/25/17**

Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins attended the August 25, 2017 Stockton East Water District Employee BBQ & Potluck. Director Cortopassi reported it was a good get together. Employees asked the Directors questions about current Projects at the District and employee birthdays were celebrated. President McGurk thanked Directors Sanguinetti and Watkins for grilling for the employees.

**H. COMMUNICATIONS**

1. AgVenture San Joaquin County Thank You, 08/21/17  
Manager Moody provided the Board with a Thank You note for supporting the AgVenture San Joaquin County Program.

**I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS**

1. ACWA Groundwater Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 08/31/17
2. District Holiday – Labor Day, 09/04/17

**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 1:21 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:41 p.m., with no reportable action.

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

President McGurk adjourned the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody  
Secretary of the Board

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