

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 27, 2019 AT 12:00 NOON

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President Panizza called the regular meeting to order at 12:20 p.m., and Director McGurk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call were Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Director McGaughey was absent. Also present were Manager Moody, Assistant Manager Lee, 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 08/20/19 Regular Meeting

Director McGurk made the following corrections to the minutes:

- Page 7, section G-1, 1st paragraph, 1st sentence – add Director McGurk to the list of attendees for the Tour of Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District (CSJWCD).

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the August 20, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, as amended.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGaughey

2. Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the August 27, 2019 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGaughey

3. JWT and Associates, LLP – Certified Public Accountants – Audited Financial Statements Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Manager Moody provided the Board with the Draft Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 from JWT and Associates, LLP.

A motion was moved and seconded to accept the Draft Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2018/2019, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

4. Stockton East Water District – Injury & Illness Prevention Plan Update

Manager Moody provided the Board with an Injury & Illness Prevention Plan (IIPP) Update. Manager Moody reported this Plan should be reviewed by the Board annually. Staff recently revised the District’s IIPP, ensuring it is in compliance with all OSHA regulations.

The District’s Safety Committee reviewed the document prior to it coming before the Board. The IIPP contains all required sections, to include, a list of various safety programs and policies that are pertinent to District staff.

Manager Moody is requesting that the Board consider approving this revision and staff will bring back annually for review.

Director Watkins inquired how many accidents the District had in the last year. Manager Moody reported he does not have the exact number, but it is not very high. The last Workers’ Compensation claim the District had was a couple of years ago.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the District has a policy or plan that speaks about providing shade and water in the heat. Manager Moody replied yes, that is the District’s Heat Stress Prevention Program.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the revised Injury & Illness Prevention Plan, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

5. San Juan Water District – Support by Resolution to Nominate Pam Tobin for Vice-President of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)

Manager Moody provided the Board with information on supporting the Resolution to Nominate Pam Tobin for Vice President of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA).

Director Watkins inquired if the Nominating Committee has chosen other candidates besides Ms. Tobin. Manager Moody reported he has not seen anything.

Manager Moody reported the current Executive Director of ACWA understands the issues in the northern side of the state and perhaps it would be advantageous to have a Vice President that understands the same.

Director McGurk recommended supporting the nomination of Pam Tobin as ACWA's Vice President.

Manager Moody reported staff will have Resolution 19-20-06 Support of the Nomination for Association of California Water Agencies Vice President – Pamela Tobin ready for signature for the next Regular Board Meeting.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve nominating Pam Tobin as ACWA's Vice President.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGaughey

6. Stockton East Water District – Conceptual Boardroom Update Memo
President Panizza reported this item has been removed from the agenda and will be brought back to the Board at a later date.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Ad Hoc Benefits/Salary Comparison Study Committee Meeting, 08/21/19
Directors Atkins, Sanguinetti and Watkins and Manager Moody and staff attended the August 21, 2019 Ad Hoc Benefits/Salary Comparison Study Committee Meeting. Director Atkins reported Shellie Anderson of Bryce Consulting spoke to the group about all the different agencies she has worked with and her background working with ACWA/JPIA and that she will compare them against other agencies for insurance purposes. Director Atkins reported Manager Moody inquired about the Electricians position as that is a broad field. Ms. Anderson was familiar and seemed to have a handle on what the Districts needs are. Manager Moody reported in addition to salary information, Bryce Consulting will also be comparing the District's current health benefits package against SDRMA to see how they compare. Manager Moody reported the results from Bryce Consulting are due back in ~6 weeks, once the results are returned Ms. Anderson will present them to the Ad Hoc Committee. Director Watkins reported he believes the right firm was hired as they are familiar with the agencies they will be comparing against and seem to be able to do the work efficiently.
2. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting, 08/21/19
Director McGurk attended the August 21, 2019 San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting. Director McGurk reported the Commission voted yes for the Board of Supervisors to support the Sacramento San Joaquin River Delta Channel Restoration Program. This Program is for dredging the Channel to get actual flows in streams that matches the program goals. Director Cortopassi inquired if the project still needs a permit through California Fish and Wildlife. Legal Counsel Zolezzi replied they will need to apply for a permit; the Board of Supervisors is only supporting the project. Director McGurk reported the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) has to be updated. San Joaquin County Public Works has hired Woodard & Curran to review the information. Katie Cole, Woodard & Curran provided the Commission with a handout of the original Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for which entities will be on the IRWMP Coordinating Committee. Per the MOU, SEWD will be a signatory. Manager

Moody reported it is his understanding that IRWMP is needed for future grants. Once that is done entities who are willing to contribute have a say. Director McGurk reported the amount of money for this area is \$6 million, of the \$51 million money throughout the state. Manager Moody commented that the area Director McGurk is referring to is San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, and Calaveras counties. Director McGurk reported a question arose during the meeting regarding once the IRWMP is upgraded and there are boundary lines, can projects cross those boundaries. It was explained that if the project is good, DWR has approved blending of areas in the past. Director McGurk reported George Hartmann recommended the Commission include discussion of the homelessness along the streams and levees on their next agenda. The next meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2019.

3. Ad Hoc Meeting with Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District, 08/22/19
Directors McGurk and Panizza attended the August 22, 2019 Ad Hoc Meeting with Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District (CSJWCD). Director McGurk reported the Memorandum of Understanding between SEWD and CSJWCD was submitted to Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo). LAFCo has identified the agencies need to submit a sphere of influence description and conduct a Municipal Service Review. The Ad Hoc Committee has approved to pay the fees required to complete this work. Director McGurk reported that President Panizza inquired on the names of the Directors that will serve on the Board. CSJWCD is unsure who the representatives will be. President Panizza reported both Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Reid Roberts are on top of all legal matters.
4. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Ad Hoc Meeting, 08/26/19
Director Watkins attended the August 19, 2019 and August 26, 2019 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Ad Hoc Committee Meetings. Director Watkins reported at the August 19th meeting the Committee was provided spreadsheets explaining costs for administrative SGMA items, as well as discussion on filling data gaps, monitoring and logging. There was discussion on developing an incentive program for groundwater conservation programs. Director Watkins reported there was discussion on starting a pilot or demonstration project, as the pilot project would help the basin. Director Watkins reported at the August 26th meeting the discussion focused on Proposition 68. The Consultants are looking to incorporate information from the California Department of Fish & Wildlife letters that were sent to the State Water Resources Control Board describing areas with deficiencies. The Committee worked to define administrative tasks and had conversation on funding. There was objections to one suggestion or another. There was discussion on well permits and the Committee thought it would be a good idea to put an amount of money on the permit for administrative purposes to help when routing paperwork to Sacramento. This may also avoid having to limit wells. President Panizza inquired if all parties were in disagreement on the methodology for payment. Director Watkins replied yes, but that was to be expected. Director Atkins inquired on the topics to be discussed at the next meeting. Director Watkins replied the Committee will discussion grant proposals, well permits, budget and methodology. The next meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2019.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 08/26/19
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 162,754 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 308 cfs. There is 2,058,165 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 353 cfs and release to all water users are set at 1,725 cfs. There are 14 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 3 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 1 irrigator(s) Out-of-District. The water treatment plant is currently processing 36 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 27 mgd.

2. Information Items:

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

Manager Moody reported on F2a-2 regarding the 55th Annual Industrial Technology Barbeque requesting RSVPs from those that are interested in attending. Directors Atkins and Watkins and Manager Moody will attend the event.

Director Cortopassi inquired on the function of the California Water Commission. Manager Moody replied they are more of an advisory commission.

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 08/23/19

Manager Moody attended the August 23, 2019 ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported ACWA is working on their 5-year Strategic Plan. If the Board has input it will need to go through the Region 4 Board. ACWA is planning to move to their new building in December. The new building does not have a large enough conference room to accommodate the Legislative Committee, so they will continue to meet at the Capitol Event Center. Director Atkins inquired if ACWA will be selling their old building. Manager Moody replied yes. Manager Moody reported there was discussion on a new Water Bond and Fire & Environmental Bond that are being worked on. ACWA reported they are in deep discussion with the Governor's staff regarding the water resiliency task force. Manager Moody reported SB1 (Atkins) negotiations are ongoing at the Governors level. The next meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2019.

b. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Nothing to report.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Stockton East Water District – Assembly Bill 1486 (Ting) – Oppose Unless Amended [As Amended June 27, 2019] Correspondence, 08/19/19

Manager Moody provided the Board with correspondence regarding Assembly Bill 1486 (Ting) that was mailed on August 19, 2019.

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation – Water Committee Meeting, 5:00 p.m., 08/27/19

2. District Holiday – Labor Day, 09/02/19

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

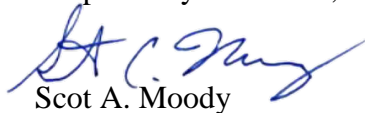
1. Closed Session - Existing Litigation
Stockton East Water District vs. City of Stockton, et al.
Government Code 54956.9 (a)
2. Closed Session - Potential Litigation
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – one case

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:19 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:59 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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