

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, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 AT 12:00 NOON

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President Panizza called the regular meeting to order at 12:22 p.m., and Director Atkins 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 Lee, Finance Director Vega, Administrative Services Manager Carido, Administrative Assistant Curtis, Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Consultant Barkett.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Callahan, San Joaquin County reported the County has a new Water Resources Coordinator, Matt Zidar. Mr. Zidar comes from GEI Consultants and before that worked at Monterey County Water Agency.

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 09/10/19 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the September 10, 2019 Regular 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 67 – Agricultural Fund
- c. Fund 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- d. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
- e. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- f. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- g. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- h. Payroll
- i. Summary
- j. Short Names/Acronym List
- k. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director Sanguinetti inquired on the expense on page 18, line item 33 for US Bank Corp. Payment Systems for crane to service and repair Land Pride mower in the amount of \$894.27. Assistant Manager Lee replied the District's boom truck was not big enough to conduct this work. Manager Moody replied he will research this charge.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the September 17, 2019 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

3. Stockton East Water District – North Site Fence Project Request for Bids

Manager Moody provided the Board with the information on the North Site Fence Project Request for Bids. Manager Moody reported now that there is potable water production in the Recharge Pond, Homeland Security requires that the area needs to be secure.

Manager Moody reported staff has budgeted \$300,000 for this work this Fiscal Year and is seeking the Board's consensus before going out to Bid for this Project.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the border around where the fence will be installed has been cleaned up and staff can administer weed killer to the area when needed. Manager Moody replied yes.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the fence will go up on the railroad easement. Manager Moody replied it would not be a bad idea, but wants to work with the landowner in that area as well to make sure the fence does not impede on their business.

President Panizza inquired if the Bid will be written to allow for adjustments. Manager Moody replied staff will double check all areas the fence will need to be installed prior to distributing the Request for Bid.

President Panizza inquired when the fence is installed if the current fence between the old site and new property will be removed. Manager Moody replied it will be left for now and removed in the future should it pose a problem to conduct work.

Director Watkins inquired if it will be a chain link fence like what is currently installed. Manager Moody replied yes, staff would like to remain consistent with the current fence style.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the bridge near Cardinal Road could be fenced off as well to eliminate transients coming on the property. Manager Moody replied staff will look into adding fence there.

Consensus of the Board was to move forward with the Request for Bid, pending staff speaking with landowner to the north and researching fencing along the bridge.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting, 09/11/19

Manager Moody and Assistant Manager Lee attended the September 11, 2019 Groundwater Sustainability Plan Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting. Manager Moody reported there was discussion on input from the Ad Hoc Committee regarding ongoing administrative costs and how they will be funded. There was discussion on the Draft GSP and the public comments

that were received. Manager Moody reported there were a handful of concerning comments that were received that should be addressed appropriately. There was discussion on the timeline and the need to have items approved before the deadline. The next meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2019.

2. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Meeting, 09/11/19

Directors Panizza and Watkins and Manager Moody and Assistant Manager Lee attended the September 11, 2019 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Meeting. President Panizza reported discussion focused on the presentation provided by the Consultant. The group approved moving ahead with the process. President Panizza reported there was discussion on the Board approving the creation of another Ad Hoc Committee to review the public comments that were received. Manager Moody reported the Ad Hoc is not encompassed of all lawyers and they are the people who will need to defend this in court if the JPA was sued over the GSP. Manager Moody reported it would make more sense to have the attorneys qualified on this subject to write the responses. There was some pushback on items presented to the JPA Board from the Ad Hoc Committee. Director McGurk inquired if the Consultants are on a fixed budget. Manager Moody replied they do have a budget, but have already exceeded the costs. President Panizza reported the next meeting is scheduled to run longer than normal to allow time for more detailed discussion.

3. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Workgroup Meeting (SGMA Outreach Meeting), 09/11/19

Director Watkins attended the September 11, 2019 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Informational Meeting (SGMA Outreach Meeting). Director Watkins reported discussion focused on Proposition 68 and funding used for a financing plan. \$100,000 has been set aside for dependent groundwater ecosystems, however, this is dependent on the outcome of the responses provided by the attorneys on the public comments. There was discussion on how the operating budget funding would be split amongst GSAs. Director Watkins reported there was discussion on taxing parcels and Proposition 218. Now is the time to discuss a sales tax, otherwise, it likely will not happen.

4. San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting, 09/16/19

Director Atkins attended the September 16, 2019 San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting. Director Atkins reported there was discussion on the Financial Report, Membership and Program Manager's Report. Thirty-eight members did not submit their Nitrogen Summary Reports. Director Atkins reported there were hits of pyrethroids in Mormon Slough, Lone Tree and upper Robert's Island. The threshold is a one and those areas tested at a level four. The Coalition conducted well testing August 26-29, 2019 and were able to test 41 of 42 wells and 8 of 12 public wells. There was discussion on the membership portal, which has a map of the locations of hits on the system. Director Atkins reported the County is about 7 months behind on reporting pesticide use reports. Director McGurk inquired if there is a way the Coalition can determine if someone is dumping large amounts of chemicals in the water, instead of it being pinned on farmers should hits be seen in certain areas. Director Atkins replied no. Director Cortopassi inquired if the Coalition says where exactly the samples have been taken. Director Atkins replied no, they only provide a general location. The next meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2019.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 09/16/19

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 154,738 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 138 cfs. There is 2,035,165 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 403 cfs and release to all water users are set at 1,448 cfs. There are 5 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 1 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 1 irrigator(s) Out-of-District. The water treatment plant is currently processing 29 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 27 mgd.

2. Information Items:

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

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Meeting with North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (NSJWCD), 09/16/19

Director Watkins, Manager Moody and Legal Counsel Zolezzi attended the September 16, 2019 meeting with North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (NSJWCD). Nothing to report.

b. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody reported the District received a call from the Sheriff's Office inquiring if they can remove a transient from the District's property. Manager Moody reported the individual and their items have been removed. Director Watkins reported he believes the District can put a letter on file with the Sheriff's Office that states they can patrol areas owned by the District and remove trespassers as necessary without calling the District.

Manager Moody reported the Fall Newsletter has been updated with the Board comments from last week and is ready to print.

Manager Moody reported he will be out of the office this Friday, September 20th.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – 55th Annual Industrial Technology Barbeque, 09/11/19

Director McGurk and Manager Moody attended the September 11, 2019 Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – 55th Annual Industrial Technology Barbeque. Director McGurk reported many items were sponsored by Premier Staffing. Manager Moody reported the dinner was nice and there seemed to be a smaller crowd than usual.

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting, 1:00 p.m., 09/18/19

2. Central Valley Project Water Association – Executive & Financial Affairs Committee, 10:00 a.m., 09/20/19
3. Stockton Area Water Suppliers (SAWS) Meeting, 3:00 p.m., 09/23/19

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 1:12 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 2:10 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 2:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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