

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, OCTOBER 8, 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 Manager Moody led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call were Directors Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Director Atkins 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 10/01/19 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the October 1, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

2. Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the October 8, 2019 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

3. Stockton East Water District – Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) Update Memo

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) Update. Manager Moody reported that at the July 16, 2019 Regular Board Meeting staff reported that the District was not seeing the return on investment for the solar system. The District is still saving money, but not the amount that was discussed at inception of this Project.

Manager Moody reported PG&E is charging the District fees that they are unable to explain how the District can avoid them. Staff reached out to Dylan George, Government Relations Representative at PG&E about this issue and he too, has been unsuccessful in getting answers for the District.

Manager Moody reported Onyx Renewable Partners L.P. (Onyx) is attempting to help the District find another way of savings. Onyx is recommending switching both accounts (Low Lift and High Service) to the Option R Tariff to maximize solar savings. Onyx is estimating the District can save between \$150,000-\$300,000 per year by switching to this new Tariff.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the fees that PG&E is charging the District were one-time fees. Manager Moody replied one of the fees was one time only; the other is an ongoing fee, which is based on the District's potential historical demand. The solar system is designed to cover 20,000 AF but because the District has the potential to run 65 MGD, PG&E would have to be ready to supply that demand.

Director Watkins inquired if there was a guaranteed savings when the District entered into contract with the solar company. Assistant Manager Lee replied the guaranteed savings was for the cost of kilowatt per hour, which is fixed for the next 20-years. Manager Moody added he will double check the agreement to ensure there were no other guaranteed savings.

Director Sanguinetti recommended switching both accounts to the Option R Tariff.

Consensus of the Board was to switch both the Low Lift and High Service accounts to the Option R Tariff.

4. Stockton East Water District – FY 2019 – 2020 Budgeted Vehicle Purchase Memo

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo for a budgeted vehicle purchase. Manager Moody reported the District owns a 2002 Dodge Caravan with 151,000 miles, a 2004 Jeep Cherokee with 143,000 miles and a 2009 Ford Edge with 179,000 miles. Staff is proposing to surplus the Caravan and Jeep and use the Edge in place of these vehicles and purchasing a Ford Escape.

Director Sanguinetti commented that the van has a good amount of space that can accommodate groups for tours. Manager Moody replied staff will look into purchasing a large passenger vehicle next Fiscal Year to replace the van; however, a vehicle of that size is too big for everyday use.

President Panizza inquired what size engine is in the Jeep. Manager Moody replied it is a V8.

Manager Moody reported staff will bring back a surplus resolution for the Caravan and Jeep should the Board approve moving forward today.

Director McGurk inquired if the Ford Escape is electric or gas operated. Manager Moody replied gas.

Director Watkins inquired if the Ford Edge is worth keeping as it has more miles than the other vehicles. Manager Moody replied it is in better mechanical shape than the other vehicles.

A motion was moved and seconded to purchase a Ford Escape, replacing Unit Nos. 25 and 34, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Atkins

## **E. COMMITTEE REPORTS (None)**

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

### **1. Water Supply Report as of 10/07/19**

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 150,112 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 65 cfs. There is 2,034,606 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 401 cfs and release to all water users are set at 818 cfs. There are 4 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 0 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 1 Out-of-District irrigator. The water treatment plant is currently processing 31 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 22 mgd.

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

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

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

#### **a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update**

Manager Moody reported the District received the permit for the Central California Traction Railroad (CCTR) Fish Passage Improvement Project. Staff began working on the Project today and intends to have the Project done by the end of October. Director Watkins inquired if the flume at the site will remain there. Assistant Manager Lee replied yes and staff will be adding three more.

Director Sanguinetti inquired if there has been any information provided on the progress of the New Hogan Tainter Gate Project. Manager Moody replied Assistant Manager Lee will be going to New Hogan for a meeting next Thursday and will inquire then.

Director Cortopassi inquired on an estimated timeline for finishing the pipe to use water in the ponds. Manager Moody replied the ponds and pipes are available for use now. No leaks have been detected in the pipes.

## **G. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

### **1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – University Plaza Waterfront Hotel, 10/03/19**

Director Watkins attended the October 3, 2019 Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer at the University Plaza Waterfront Hotel. Director Watkins reported that many businesses had booths at the mixer advertising their companies. There quite a few people in attendance.

### **2. East Bay Municipal Utilities District – 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Pardee BBQ, 10/04/19**

Directors McGurk, Sanguinetti and Watkins and Manager Moody attended the October 4, 2019 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Pardee BBQ. Director Sanguinetti reported it was a nice day and the food was good. Director Watkins reported that Steven Weissman, University of California, Berkeley provided the keynote address. There was discussion on Mr. Weissman's comment on PUC regulating PG&E for price control, but did not regulate them on safety. There was discussion on EBMUD supplying 2% of the water to the Delta and 43% of catch of chinook salmon.

Director Watkins attended the October 7, 2019 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Ad Hoc Meeting. There was discussion on Proposition 68. The Committee was to receive a final draft at yesterday's meeting, however, they were not. There is continued controversy on the budget. There was

discussion on how all the funds will be split. The \$410,000 is a direct split of the \$210,000 that will be paid by the County; a \$150,000 split based on population and \$150,000 split based on water use. Director Watkins reported the County monitoring was an in-kind donation and some municipalities that want to monitor also want part of their funds back. Director Watkins requested staff follow up with the County to obtain a draft of Proposition 68 application and a revised budget.

## H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Central Valley Flood Protection Board – Time Variance Request (Bellota & Budiselich Dam) from 10/10/19 – 10/24/19, 10/01/19  
Manager Moody provided the Board with correspondence to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) requesting a delay of the Bellota and Budiselich dam removal schedule. Manager Moody reported the CVFPB has granted the first extension from October 10<sup>th</sup> – October 24<sup>th</sup>. Staff will submit the second request to extend through the end of October. This item was for information only.
2. United States Bureau of Reclamation – New Melones Deliveries 2020 Water Year – Request for Approval of Delivery Schedule, 10/02/19  
Manager Moody provided the Board with information on the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) for the 2020 Water Year Delivery Schedule. Manager Moody reported this is an annual task of the District and he does not see this request being denied.

## I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. District Holiday – Columbus Day, 10/14/19
2. San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting, 9:00 a.m., 10/14/19

## J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL


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

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 12:49 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:37 p.m., with no reportable action.

## K. ADJOURNMENT

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Scot A. Moody  
Secretary of the Board

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