

THE SPECIAL 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, FEBRUARY 18, 2020 AT 10:00 A.M.

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

President Panizza called the regular meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Director Sanguinetti led the Pledge of Allegiance at 12:37 p.m.

Present at roll call were Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk and Panizza. Director Watkins arrived at 10:20 a.m. and Director Sanguinetti arrived at 12:05 p.m. Also present were Manager Moody, Finance Director Vega, District Engineer Hopkins, Administrative Services Manager Carido, Administrative Assistant Curtis and Legal Counsel Harrigfeld.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)**

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ray Lial, Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District (Central) customer inquired on the Central consolidation process and inquired if he will be able to pull water from the canal for frost purposes like has previously been done. Manager Moody replied that if the water is there, he is free to use it. Mr. Lial inquired if the District plans to release water earlier than normal this year. Manager Moody replied the District is restricted by flood control, so we will just have to see where we are closer to dam installation. Mr. Lial inquired on the LAFCo process between the District and Central. President Panizza reported the two attorneys are wordsmithing the necessary documents and the District is waiting on clarification from Central.

**D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Minutes 02/11/20 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the February 11, 2020 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 70 – Administration Fund
- b. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- c. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- d. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- e. Payroll
- f. Summary
- g. Short Names/Acronym List
- h. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director Sanguinetti inquired on the expense on page 12, line item 25 for Stockton Environmental Inc. for labor to take a sample and test for asbestos in Admin in the amount of \$440.00. Manager

Moody reported this was done at his request. There was a membrane in the roof of the vestibule and during the most recent rain; the roof started leaking in the vestibule, causing tiles to be replaced. For precautionary purposes, he asked that this test be done prior to staff completing the work.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 11, line item 23 for Pan Pacific Supply Co. for Teflon tape for use on chemical feed pump application in the amount of \$83.12. Manager Moody replied this is special tape that must be used for chlorine.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 11, line item 22 for Nor-Cal Battery Company for batteries to service EG-2 at High Service in the amount of \$400.68. Manager Moody replied this is part of scheduled maintenance for hydrometer testing on batteries.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 9, line items 5 & 6 for J. Milano Company, Inc. for steel to build racks for Units #74 & #75 in the amounts of \$112.79 and \$112.80. District Engineer Hopkins replied these are the newest vehicles and they did not have racks on them, so staff built one for each truck.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the February 18, 2020 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

## **E. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **1. ACWA Agriculture Committee Meeting, 02/12/20**

Directors McGurk and Sanguinetti attended the February 12, 2020 ACWA Agriculture Committee Meeting, 02/12/20. Director Sanguinetti reported it was the best meeting to date and there was a decent attendance. Director McGurk reported only three in attendance were farmers, there was a lot of ACWA staff in attendance. There was an update given on ACWA's 5-year Strategic Plan, which they are trying to incorporate more Agriculture items into the Plan. There was discussion on Governor Newsom's Draft Water Resilience Portfolio. Director McGurk reported Cindy Tuck, ACWA spoke. There was discussion on the regional conveyance plan; none of those funds will be going to building tunnels. Director Sanguinetti reported there was discussion on the Northern California Water Associations (NCWA) voluntary agreements. Bill Diedrich spoke to how productive the southern part of California is agriculturally and Director Sanguinetti countered with the whole state is agriculturally productive. Director McGurk reported the Agriculture Committee is now a standing committee and no longer a constituent committee. Director McGurk reported Mike Wade from the California Farm Water Coalition (CFWC) provided a good presentation and discussed a new website they have created that discusses agriculture water and food supply. Steve LaMar, ACWA President asked Mr. Wade if he would be willing to speak to urban water entities, he said yes. Director McGurk reported CV Salts provided a remote presentation over the phone. CV Salts advised they will be sending a mailer notice out in March for a July 2020 deadline for nitrate implementation. Director McGurk reported they did not have time to brainstorm all topics they planned on during this meeting, so the Committee will do this during their meeting in May. Director Cortopassi inquired how many members are on the Committee. Director Sanguinetti reported between 40-50 members; however, most in attendance were staff members. Director Sanguinetti reported the Committee meets 4

times per year and there was discussion about moving half of those meetings to southern California to get more attendance. The next meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2020.

2. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Meeting, 02/12/20

Directors Panizza and Watkins and Manager Moody attended the February 12, 2020 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Meeting. Manager Moody reported it was a smaller crowd than what is normal for these meetings. They wanted to establish an Ad-Hoc Technical Work Group and it is unclear at this point, if the other meetings will continue to convene. Director Watkins reported discussion focused on whether or not to approve a contract with a not-to-exceed amount of \$1 million with Woodard & Curran for an Annual Report and Technical Support. Director Watkins reported the budget has already been approved with this contract amount covered by the budget, so it should not have been an issue to approve. President Panizza reported that there seems to be a group of GSAs who do not feel that they have the authority to vote on anything during these meetings without first discussing with their full Boards, even though the budget has already been approved. President Panizza reported a Steering Committee was created, which appeared to be administrative in nature, although, Director Watkins was selected to be on the Committee. The Committee is not trying to schedule another board meeting until May; it is unclear what will happen in the meantime, as there was no approval for expenditures. Manager Moody reported staff-to-staff work very well together, but when elected officials are intermingled with staff, some feel as if they have no authority to authorize expenditures. Manager Moody reported it was decided to keep the monthly meetings and not make them quarterly after all. Director Cortopassi inquired why the meeting location was moved. It was reported that the Cabral Ag Center was too expensive. The next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2020.

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

1. Water Supply Report as of 02/17/20

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 152,585 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 25 cfs. There is 1,964,357 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 805 cfs and release to all water users are set at 845 cfs. The water treatment plant is currently processing 20 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 9 mgd.

2. Information Items:

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

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody reminded the Board that RSVPs for the March 5, 2020 Linden and Colledgeville Farm Centers – Annual Dinner Meeting are due next week. To date, those attending are Directors McGurk, Sanguinetti and Watkins and Manager Moody.

**G. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

- 1. AB 1234 Ethics Board Training, 02/18/20  
Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza and Watkins attended the February 18, 2020 AB 1234 Ethics Board Training.

**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., 02/19/20  
*\*This meeting was cancelled\**
- 2. Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, Noon, 02/19/20
- 3. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 02/21/20
- 4. Central Valley Project Water Association – Executive & Financial Affairs Committee, 10:00 a.m., 02/21/20
- 5. Association of California Water Agencies – 2020 Annual Washington D.C. Conference, 02/25/20-02/27/20

**J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL**

- 1. Closed Session - Potential Litigation  
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – two cases

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:32 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:56 p.m., with no reportable action.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scot A. Moody  
Secretary of the Board

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