

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, MAY 5, 2020 AT 12:00 NOON.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President Panizza called the regular meeting to order at 12:31 p.m. and Director Atkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Atkins, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Manager Moody, Assistant General Manager Hopkins, Finance Director Vega, and Administrative Clerk Feliciano. Present at roll call via teleconference were Directors Cortopassi, McGaughey and McGurk. Also present via teleconference were Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Consultant Barkett.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 04/28/20 Regular Meeting

Director Cortopassi made the following correction to the minutes:

- Page 3, section F-3b, 1st paragraph, 5th sentence – add “District’s” prior to the words wheeling rate.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the April 28, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, as amended.

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 May 5, 2020 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Special Steering Committee Meeting, 04/29/20
Director Watkins and Manager Moody attended the April 29, 2020 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Special Steering Committee Meeting. Director Watkins reported the

Committee reviewed the budget and lowered it from \$365,000 to \$300,000. The Committee was provided with tables to review budget and formulas for allocation. Tables 4 & 5 (page 11), indicate a minimum contribution of ~\$8,500 per GSA and Table 6 illustrated the adjusted minimum contribution that will be presented at the JPA board meeting.

~~Director~~ President Panizza inquired if each GSA's contribution will cover the management portion of the budget. Director Watkins stated it will be covered for a year. Manager Moody added there is a \$325,000 grant with \$100,000 in reserves, which may not be available next year, or in the years to come.

Director Cortopassi inquired on the meaning of pumping and population class found in Table 3. Director Watkins explained two previous cost allocation tables were created for pumping and another for population. From those two cost allocation tables, a 60/40 split was created. On page 11, Tables 4 & 5 show the categories that determine the contribution share. Director Watkins explained how to calculate the District's contribution share by adding the two pumping and population tables by agency, deducting the Zone 2 amount of \$1,000 and adding an adjusted amount for minimum contribution of \$8,500. Director Watkins added, Stanislaus County has a larger contribution as they are not eligible for Zone 2 funding.

~~Director~~ President Panizza inquired about the possible future success of moving more surface water from New Melones to areas within our District (consolidated or not); would the District's percentage go down with the decreased use of groundwater. Director Watkins replied that numbers can be changed in the future, but for now, the Plan has been submitted to the Department of Water Resources.

Director Atkins asked how often the numbers will be revised. Director Watkins reported the calculations are for this year's budget and it does not reflect the ongoing calculation for next year's budget.

~~Director~~ President Panizza inquired about a District that goes broke or cannot get their voters to agree to a Proposition 218 vote. Director Watkins replied that there are not any clear consequences and it would depend on how the Department of Water Resources would enforce it. Manager Moody added he understood SGMA law gives the ability to impose a fee without doing a Proposition 218 for administrative purposes. Legal Counsel Zolezzi explained that the law is not clear but a strong argument can be made even after a Groundwater Sustainability Plan is adopted to impose charges for administrative fees without a Proposition 218 vote. The next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2019.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 05/04/20

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 193,424 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 148 cfs. There is 1,900,204 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 494 cfs and release to all water users are set at 1,540 cfs. There

are 12 irrigator(s) on New Hogan and 3 irrigator(s) on New Melones. The water treatment plant is currently processing 28 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 10 mgd.

2. Information Items:

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

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody reported staff is still working on the Out-Of-District customers who have Agreements with the District. Assistant General Manager Hopkins has corresponded with the Out-Of-District irrigators and although they are interested in purchasing water, they were asked to be conservative, as they will be billed for the water they ask for and not what they actually use. Once the District has confirmation from the Out-Of-District irrigators, an Agreement will be sent to South San Joaquin Irrigation District and Oakdale Irrigation District for consideration and approval.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

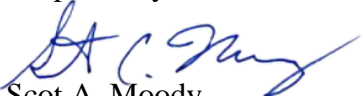
Government Code 54956.9 (a)

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 12:56 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:19 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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