

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 12, 2020 AT 12:00 NOON.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President Panizza called the regular meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. and Director Cortopassi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Cortopassi, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Manager Moody, Assistant General Manager Hopkins, Finance Director Vega, Administrative Services Manager Carido and Administrative Assistant Curtis. Present at roll call via teleconference were Directors Atkins, 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 05/05/20 Regular Meeting

President Panizza requested his title be changed from “Director” to “President” throughout the minutes.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the May 5, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, as amended.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Warrants

- a. Fund 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- b. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
- c. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- d. Fund 89 – Fish Passage Improvements Fund
- e. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- f. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- g. Summary
- h. Short Names/Acronym List
- i. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director Cortopassi inquired on the expense on page 7, line item 15 for Municipal Automation Services for professional services through 03/30/20 in the amount of \$19,220. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported this is a consultant working with the District on the SCADA Project.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 16, line item 32 for Rain For Rent, Inc. for pump for SED basins in the amount of \$2,675.04. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported this was for an air-operated double-diaphragm pump. The pumps currently installed on SEWD basins 3 & 4 do not have enough suction head to pull water from the bottom of the basins when draining.

Director Sanguinetti inquired on the expense on page 16, line item 40 for United Site Services for monthly rental of portable restroom 04/08/20-05/05/20 in the amount of \$314.45. Director Sanguinetti commented on the price being rather high. Manager Moody advised staff will research the expense.

Director Sanguinetti inquired on the expenses on page 15, line items 16 & 17 for Grainger, Inc. for tape measures for shop stock in the amounts of \$20.50 and \$73.54. Manager Moody replied staff will research this expense as to why one was more expensive than the other. Director Sanguinetti commented this type of item is not normally something that is stocked.

Director Watkins inquired on the expenses on page 16, line items 29-31 for PG&E 2544904013-5 for electricity at Treatment Plant High Service at 6749 E Main 01/22/20-02/20/20 in the amount of \$43,741.15; PG&E 2544904013-5 for electricity at Treatment Plant High Service at 6749 E Main 02/21/20-03/22/20 in the amount of \$43,128.26 and PG&E 2544904013-5 for electricity at Treatment Plant High Service at 6749 E Main 03/23/20-04/21/20 in the amount of \$45,434.24. Director Watkins expressed that his belief is there is only billing once a year for solar customers and if solar is produced and not used; the District would be credited at the end of the year when summary statements are mailed. However, if the District is paying for these costs when statements are received, they could in fact overpay by the end of the year. Manager Moody advised staff will research the frequency of billing for solar and report back to the Board.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the May 12, 2020 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

3. Stockton East Water District – Bellota Weir Project Update Memo, 05/12/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding an update on the Bellota Weir Project. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported at the end of 2019, the District entered into Agreements with a number of Consultants and the Department of Fish & Wildlife for grant money for design of the Bellota Weir.

Assistant Manager Hopkins reported over the course of the last 6-months, the Consultants have been working on design requirements and facility alternatives. Staff and consultants have met a few times to discuss the District's requests and ensure they are incorporated. Staff has gone through the first phase of review and have selected some alternatives.

Assistant Manager Hopkins reported all alternative designs presented included replacing the existing flashboard weir with a new Obermeyer weir. Staff's most favorable option for a fish

passage is the use of a technical fish ladder, which offers low maintenance and minimized in-channel work. Either option staff has selected for fish screening has either the ability to raise parts above the water to clean, or has the mechanical equipment located above the water surface. Currently, if there is an issue, the dive team must be sent in to clean or work on the equipment. Having the ability to have the equipment above the water surface, would eliminate the need for diving for this specific project.

President Panizza inquired if staff has gone out to bid for what the entirety of this Project would cost. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied no. The next step would be to plan a meeting with the fish agencies that the District would eventually need to get permits from, to receive their input before working towards a 50% design. After the meeting with the fish agencies, staff can begin to put together a budget for this Project.

Director Watkins advised holding an Ad-Hoc Meeting prior to speaking with fish agencies might be helpful. This would allow members of the Board to visualize the Project on a larger scale, than looking at small pictures. Manager Moody concurred with this idea.

Director Cortopassi mentioned there has been previous discussion, years prior, regarding the installation of a pipeline at Old Calaveras River, in addition to a fish screen at Bellota. This would allow for fish-free water in the Calaveras, if the fish screen did not do its job.

President Panizza inquired if anyone would like to volunteer for this Ad-Hoc Committee. Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, Sanguinetti will be on this Committee and Director Watkins will be the alternate.

Manager Moody will query the Ad-Hoc Committee to schedule a meeting.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS (None)

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 05/11/20

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 191,854 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 163 cfs. There is 1,891,741 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 1,924 cfs. There are 17 irrigator(s) on New Hogan and 6 irrigator(s) on New Melones. The water treatment plant is currently processing 32 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 15 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 the Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) tripped on P-28 in High Service. Staff has been unable to disconnect the motor from the shaft to facilitate the

troubleshooting process and may need the assistance of a crane to make it happen. The remaining pump of that particular size does not have backup power from our diesel generators and is concerning. Staff will be reaching out to vendors to look at the equipment and make a recommendation.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting, 8:30 a.m., 05/13/20
Teleconference Only
2. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 05/13/20
3. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 05/15/20
4. Central Valley Project Water Association – Executive & Financial Affairs Committee, 10:00 a.m., 05/15/20

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

1. 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 1:44 p.m., with the following reportable action:

A motion was moved and seconded for the Stockton East Water District to intervene in a lawsuit with Oakdale Irrigation District and South San Joaquin Irrigation District regarding the Biological Opinion.

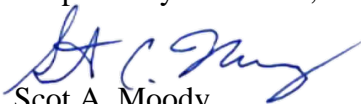
Roll Call:

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

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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