

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 26, 2020 AT 12:00 NOON.

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

President Panizza called the regular meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Atkins, 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 was Director McGaughey. Director McGurk phoned in at 12:31 p.m. Also present via teleconference was Legal Counsel Zolezzi. Consultant Barkett phoned in at 12:36 p.m.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR** (None)

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT** (None)

**D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Minutes 05/19/20 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the May 19, 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 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- b. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
- c. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- d. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- e. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- f. Payroll
- g. Summary
- h. Short Names/Acronym List
- i. SEWD Vehicles & Equipment

Director Cortopassi inquired on the payroll expenses on page 19. Finance Director Vega replied all payroll was paid, but with COVID-19 and the previous Accounts Clerk retiring, this was overlooked and for audit purposes it was best to include in the warrants for transparency.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 13, line item 18 for Jared Parham/Cooper Ag for disking of property at HWY 26 and Escalon Bellota Road in the amount of \$1,200. Manager Moody replied that is the Bellota site property and the District owns a disk, however, it is very expensive to haul.

Director Atkins inquired on the expenses on page 14 line items 23 & 37 for Oakdale Irrigation District and South San Joaquin Irrigation District for 650 AF water transfer @ \$125/AF in the amount of \$81,250 per entity (total of \$162,500). Manager Moody replied these costs are part of the District's water transfer agreement to sell water for those out-of-District.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 15, line item 1 for Big Valley Tractor for parts and labor to repair PTO on Unit #52 in the amount of \$6,131.52. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied a few weeks ago the Kubota tractor was taken to the shop for service and it was \$6,000 to correct the original issue, and while there found that the PTO was leaking so also needed to fix that issue.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 15, line item 8 for Terex USA LLC for parts and labor to replace pump for PTO on Unit #31 in the amount of \$9,683.42. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied this was a replacement for the boom truck.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 15, line item 7 for Pape Kenworth for parts & labor to repair leak from front gear cover Unit #53 in the amount of \$4,067.04. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied this cost is for the dump truck. It was taken to Kenworth for a BIT inspection and while there they discovered a front seal was leaking.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 17, line item 1 for Bagley Enterprises, Inc. for parts and labor to install transfer fuel pump in the amount of \$2,400. Manager Moody replied this was to replace the meter on the gas pump, it needed to be fixed quickly so it was outsourced as all staff was busy with other tasks. Directors Cortopassi and Sanguinetti suggested staff look for other entities that may give government pricing or have staff scrutinize costs more.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 18, line item 26 for Mallory Safety and Supply LLC for neck shade protective gear in the amount of \$90.10. Finance Director Vega replied they are cooling shades that connect at the hardhat and go down the neck.

Director Atkins inquired on the expense on page 18, line item 29 for Nutrien Ag Solutions Inc. for herbicide for Treatment Plant ground maintenance in the amount of \$1,454.63 and if there is special storage for chemicals of this nature. Manager Moody replied the herbicides are stored in a hazardous materials locker and the tanks are all labeled that an herbicide is inside. Director Sanguinetti inquired what type of herbicide was ordered. Finance Director Vega replied Cheetah Pro.

Director McGurk inquired on the expense on page 17, line item 3 for Ferguson Enterprises for Victaulic gaskets to repair leak on Back Wash pumps in the amount of \$3,594.98. Manager Moody replied that was for 4-sets for 4 pumps and they are 24-inches in diameter.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the May 26, 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 – New Hogan System Crossings Memo, 05/26/20  
Manager Moody provided the Board with information on the New Hogan System Crossings. Manager Moody reported he asked staff to make a Capital Improvement Plan and take a thorough look at everything from each reservoir to the Treatment Plant.

Manager Moody reported the District is responsible for 36 crossings within the Calaveras River, Mosher Creek, Mormon Slough and Potter Creek systems. Approximately 35 of the 36 crossings were assessed and the assessment survey identified 17 crossings as being in fair or poor condition. Staff identified 6 crossings connected parcels with different owners on either side of the bridge, which raises the question of it being a severance issue. Manager Moody advised that the 6 crossings with connections should be excluded as there is likely not a severance issue.

Manager Moody reported that staff would like to move forward with the remainder of crossings and begin working on those that staff does not need to enter the stream to fix. Any crossings that require entering a stream will require permits. Manager Moody reported the permitting process takes a fair amount of time, so staff would like to begin that process now; and, before continuing the work will bring each crossing before the Board for approval.

Director Cortopassi inquired if a permit is required for an existing structure. Manager Moody replied yes. If it is not part of the District's Routine Maintenance Agreement, than a permit is necessary. Legal Counsel Zolezzi added that any work done in a stream whether it is filled with water or not requires a permit.

Director Watkins commented that the Gotelli Bridge has two pumps and piping on top of their bridge, thus, not all liability will be on the District. The landowners should have to pay half of the cost of repairs as they are using the bridge for pumping. They should partner with the District to ensure repairs are made. Legal Counsel Zolezzi agreed that any wear and tear from the pumps would result in a change from their original agreement with the District.

Director Watkins inquired why the bridge listed as line #10 in the memo indicates it will be removed from the list. Assistant General Manager Hopkins advised there are two different owners. Director Watkins advised it is still a severance issue as one of the landowners cannot access a county road without crossing the bridge. Manager Moody advised staff will research.

Director Cortopassi commented that he does not think the District should wait on starting this process, rather take the steps to begin to avoid having to complete work on all the bridges at one time.

Consensus of the Board was to move forward with the permitting process and begin looking at the crossings for repair or replacement.

4. Stockton East Water District – High Service Pump Issues  
Manager Moody provided the Board with an update on High Service Pump issues. Manager Moody reported that at the May 12, 2020 Regular Board Meeting it was reported that the P-28 motor failed to run. Staff attempted to disconnect the motor from the pump and could not get it loose. The Board last recommended to see if the top of the motor can be removed. Staff determined it was not possible because of the design.

Manager Moody reported Flowserve, the original equipment manufacturer came onsite to evaluate the equipment. Flowserve advised staff that the pump shaft must be cut below the coupling to remove the motor to perform repairs.

Manager Moody reported that in talking with the Board, it may make more sense to purchase a hollow shaft motor, rebuild the existing motor, and make wiring changes. Recommendation for a fix will be brought back to the Board.

Director Sanguinetti expressed his concern with having to disconnect the additional pump and have two pumps out of service. Director Sanguinetti suggested staff research buying wire and connectors to transfer electrical service so the additional pump does not need to be moved and the District is not without two pumps at the same time. Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported if the pumps are sent to the shop, it is predicted that they could be out of services for ~3-months.

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:16 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. Once in Closed Session, President Panizza realized the adjournment was conducted out of order and immediately moved to end the meeting and no further items were discussed. President Panizza advised all items beginning at E-1 be moved for discussion at the June 2, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

#### **E. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting, 05/20/20  
This item will be discussed at the June 2, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

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

1. Water Supply Report as of 05/25/20  
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 189,687 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 164 cfs. There is 1,858,428 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 1,501 cfs and release to all water users are set at 2,708 cfs. There are 16 irrigator(s) on New Hogan and 4 irrigator(s) on New Melones. The water treatment plant is currently processing 30 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 20 mgd.

2. Information Items:  
Items provided: F2a-1, F2a-2, F2a-3 and F2a-4.
3. Report on General Manager Activities
  - a. Greater San Joaquin County Regional Water Coordinating Committee Meeting, 05/20/20  
This item will be discussed at the June 2, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.
  - b. Stockton East Water District Activities Update  
Nothing to report.

#### **G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)**

**H. COMMUNICATIONS** (None)

**I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS** (None)

**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 1:16 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:20 p.m., with no reportable action.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody  
Secretary of the Board

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