

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, JUNE 16, 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 Director Watkins 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 were Directors McGaughey and McGurk. Also present via teleconference was Legal Counsel Zolezzi who joined the call at 12:32 p.m. and Consultant Barkett who joined the call at 12:52 p.m.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 06/09/20 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the June 9, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

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 June 16, 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

3. Stockton East Water District – Hosie Project – Culvert Purchase Memo, 06/16/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding a culvert purchase for the Hosie Project. Manager Moody reported that this culvert is being purchased and will be implemented as a fish passage improvement.

Manager Moody reported that the funds used for this project is grant funding received from the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and it is funding that must be spent. This is not a budgeted item, but the whole cost will be refunded to the District from the grant funding.

Director Watkins inquired when staff is planning to start work and if they have contacted the applicable landowners. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied landowners have not yet been contacted, but will be. Staff plans to tentatively schedule the work to begin in 2021. Manager Moody reported the plan was to purchase and store the materials onsite then contact the landowners before work is to begin.

Director McGurk inquired on the sizing of the precast box culverts. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied the height is from floor to ceiling of the box. Director Sanguinetti added that there will be two boxes placed end to end, to allow the culverts to fit.

Director Cortopassi inquired when the grant funding time is up. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied the USFWS grant funds must be spent by September 30, 2020. The remaining funds will be used to purchase culverts for the next projects.

Director Atkins inquired if the original width of the bridge will be kept. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied yes, original measurements will remain. Manager Moody advised the District is not required to follow any specific regulations with regards to width.

Director Watkins inquired if the boxes are monolithic or segmented. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied monolithic.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve purchasing a culvert for the Hosie Project from Forterra in the amount of \$154,000, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

4. Stockton East Water District – Whittle Ranch Crossings Project – Culvert Purchase Memo, 06/16/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding a culvert purchase for the Whittle Ranch Crossings Project. Manager Moody reported as part of the District’s Settlement Agreement with Whittle Ranch, the District is required to construct 3 new, highway load rated, crossings at Hoods Creek.

Manager Moody reported that previous staff had budgeted \$200,000 in this Fiscal Year’s budget for this project, however, when evaluating the design of the bridges that cost does not seem feasible. Staff is estimating the new cost to be \$460,000.

Director Sanguinetti inquired if staff would like a budget adjustment for this change. Manager Moody replied yes.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve a budget amendment of \$260,000 to Fund 56 to increase the total budget to \$460,000 and to purchase culverts from Jensen Precast in the amount of \$296,844, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting, 06/10/20

Director Watkins and Manager Moody attended the June 10, 2020 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting. Director Watkins reported the minutes were approved and there was discussion on Proposition 68 and submission of a project funding matrix to review all funding for each project. There was discussion on the WaterSmart 2020 Resiliency Grant as North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (NSJWCD) is ready to move forward with the pipeline rehabilitation project. Manager Moody reported there will be a workshop put on to study the finances of the projects and how each GSA plans to move forward with their project. The next meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2020.

2. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Meeting, 06/10/20

Directors Panizza, Watkins and Manager Moody attended the June 10, 2020 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Authority Teleconference Meeting. Director Watkins reported the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget was approved with a unanimous vote without discussion. President Panizza reported there was discussion on the Department of Conservation grant funding that was received. There were updates provided by GSAs on the status of their projects. Director Watkins reported that although no longer working with the JPA, Paul Wells provided an updated and advised he will provide updates from time-to-time. The next meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2020.

3. Stockton East Water District Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting – Owner Water Use Statements, 06/15/20

Directors Atkins, Sanguinetti and Watkins and staff attended the June 15, 2020 Ad Hoc Committee Meeting for Owner Water Use Statements. Director Sanguinetti reported there was discussion on the accounts that have been overlooked for so long and that the District will not go back and reassess parcels that had missed information, rather the District will use Owners Water Use Statements in the future as a tool to ensure all accounts have the accurate information listed. Director Sanguinetti reported staff will use the Google Earth program to look at properties in question, then have staff do a physical check of properties to compare. The goal is to review ¼ of the properties each year, so by the end of 4 years, all properties have been reviewed. President Panizza suggested that the modern technology should help reduce human errors. Manager Moody agreed. Manager Moody reported that staff will be talking with landowners to confirm what is actually planted or not, on their property and adjust their accounts to move forward. Director Watkins reported there was a lot of discussion at the meeting and staff seemed to have all their information in order. Director Watkins suggested that after staff has finished an audit of parcels this year, perhaps a report can be brought to the Ad Hoc Committee to see progress. Assistant General Manager Hopkins displayed the Google

Earth program for the Board and showed them a few parcels that the Ad Hoc Committee had reviewed. Director Watkins suggested staff review the salinity waiver that some landowners have entered into and determine if it should be modified.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 06/15/20

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 182,144 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 184 cfs. There is 1,774,796 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 1,512 cfs and release to all water users are set at 2,814 cfs. There are 14 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 5 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 1 Out-of-District irrigator(s). The water treatment plant is currently processing 19 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 33 mgd.

2. Information Items:

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

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody reported P-27 is up and running and the VFD has been connected to the backup generator. As of today, P-28 has been pulled out as well.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – 2020 Virtual State of the City Thank You, 06/02/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with correspondence thanking the District for their participation in the June 2, 2020 Virtual State of the City address.

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Cancelled – San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting, 1:00 p.m., 06/17/20

2. Central Valley Project Water Association – Executive & Financial Affairs Committee, 10:00 a.m., 06/19/20

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

1. Closed Session - Potential Litigation
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – one case

2. Closed Session – Personnel
Government Code 54957

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:18 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. District staff were excused from the closed session meeting at 1:21 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:37 p.m., with the following reportable action:

A motion was moved and seconded to make changes to the General Manager's Contract.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

K. ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody

Secretary of the Board

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