

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 30, 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 McGaughey 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, Administrative Assistant Curtis and Consultant Barkett. Present at roll call via teleconference were Directors McGaughey and McGurk. Also present via teleconference was Legal Counsel Zolezzi. Director Atkins was absent.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)**

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)**

**D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Minutes 06/23/20 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the June 23, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

2. Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the June 30, 2020 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

3. Stockton East Water District – Filter Master Control Valve & Filtered Water Valves Improvements Project Memo, 06/24/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the Filter Master Control Valve & Filtered Water Valves Improvements Project. Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported as part of the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget, the Board approved to replace the Master Backwash Valve and two Filtered Water Conduit Isolation Valves. The District entered into an agreement with West Yost Associates for a feasibility study, to prepare a Technical Memorandum and to design the improvements required to replace the valves.

Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported that West Yost Associates is recommending using 42” butterfly valves with 2 Limitorque MX series actuators for the Filtered Water Conduit Isolation valves and one 30” butterfly valve with a Limitorque MX series actuator for the Master Backwash Valve. Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported the valve purchase will be part of the contract with the contractor that is awarded the Project.

Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported the valves have a 5-month lead time so it is imperative to place the order for them now so construction can take place in February 2021. The contract documents will specifically state that the contractor will take on the valve purchase.

Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported that the estimated cost of the Project has changed. Now that the design is complete, West Yost Associates has provided an updated budget estimate of ~\$370,000. The original cost was estimated at \$300,000. Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported a budget amendment is not needed now, however one will be needed in the future, as there is a possibility of exceeding the \$300,000 budget for this Project.

Manager Moody reported one reason the cost went up was because the new valves include actuators designed and built to communicate with the SCADA system.

Director McGurk suggested adding the word “replace” to line 3 on page 2 of the memo. The line would read “remove and replace 36” Motor Operated Plug Valve...” Manager Moody advised staff will make the change.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the list of cost of \$369,589 includes the prices of valves. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied yes.

Director Cortopassi suggested that the District keep the old valves and not discard them. Manager Moody agreed.

Director Watkins commented that the quote from Southwest valve, LLC says that it does not include freight tax and duties. Manager Moody advised those costs will be included as part of the bid process and picked up by the contractor.

Director Sanguinetti inquired which part of the budget the additional ~\$70,000 will come from. Manager Moody replied there is a Treatment Plant Reserve Fund that will be used should the Project go over budget.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of three valves from Southwest Valve, LLC in the amount of \$99,112 so that the procurement process for the 42” valves, actuators and 30” Master Backwash Valve and actuator can start now to meet the procurement window, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

4. Stockton East Water District – Evaluation of Disinfectant Methods Memo, 06/30/20  
Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the evaluation of disinfectant methods. Manager Moody reported there was a brief discussion at a previous Regular Board Meeting regarding the District’s use of disinfectant methods.

Manager Moody reported there are only two gaseous chlorine providers and due to the limited supply, the supply chain can be greatly impacted by problems at the manufacturing facilities or weather, as one supplier must traverse the Sierra Nevada mountain range and the other supplier must traverse the Grapevine.

Manager Moody reported that recently, the District’s chlorine supplier experienced a fire at their facility. There was no major fallout from this fire, however, it brought the topic back to the forefront and staff wanted to query the Board on their interest of having a consultant evaluate the system for different disinfection methods and potentially move away from gaseous chlorine.

Director Watkins inquired if the City of Stockton is still using chlorine at the Waste Water Plant. Mel Lytle, City of Stockton replied that they are not using free chlorine gas any longer, it has been converted to hypochlorite. Mr. Lytle added that only free chlorine is being used at the clear well. The City is working to eliminate free chlorine and transition to hypochlorite.

Consensus of the Board was to move forward with conducting a preliminary investigation into different disinfection methods.

#### **E. COMMITTEE REPORTS (None)**

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

1. Water Supply Report as of 06/29/20

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 176,749 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 196 cfs. There is 1,718,007 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 411 cfs and release to all water users are set at 1,770 cfs. There are 13 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 3 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 0 Out-of-District irrigator(s). The water treatment plant is currently processing 35 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 20 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. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 06/26/20

Manager Moody attended the June 26, 2020 ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported there was further discussion on recommending agencies attend the upcoming virtual Summer Conference. Manager Moody reminded the Board that the District purchased two registrations and will display the Conference on the two large monitors at the District. Manager Moody reported that a group of senior position water industry retirees have formed a group called California Water Forward and they are in place to assist the younger

generation advance in their careers. ACWA is working hard with John Watts and Senator Feinstein's office to push the federal Infrastructure Bill. Mr. Watts believes this bill has a chance of moving forward. Manager Moody reported that ACWA is working with the State Water Board on SB 200, the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Act, as ACWA wants to be involved in how it is applied. Manager Moody reported that there was discussion that by 2045 there is potential for all road vehicles, especially heavy vehicles like tractors to be electric. They are estimating that this will be a requirement by 2035 for local government. The next meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2020.

- b. Stockton East Water District Employee Walk-Thru Lunch, 06/26/20  
Manager Moody reported the District held a walk-thru lunch on June 26, 2020 instead of a typical potluck to avoid a large crowd in a small room. The Admin Team grilled Lockeford sausages and had to-go boxes prepared for all staff to walk-thru and collect a lunch.
- c. Stockton East Water District Activities Update  
Nothing to report.

#### **G. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

Director McGaughey inquired if the District participated in submitting a letter in support of bringing needed relief resources to special districts in communities across California. Manager Moody replied yes, the District sent a letter in support.

#### **H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)**

#### **I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 1. District Holiday – Fourth of July, 07/03/20

#### **J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL**

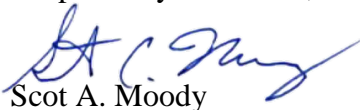
- 1. Closed Session - Potential Litigation  
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – one case
- 2. Closed Session – Personnel  
Government Code 54957

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:03 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:09 p.m., with no reportable action.

#### **K. ADJOURNMENT**

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody  
Secretary of the Board

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