

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, JULY 7, 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 Sanguinetti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Cortopassi and Sanguinetti. 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, McGurk and Panizza. Also present via teleconference was Legal Counsel Zolezzi. Director Watkins joined the teleconference at 12:38 p.m. Directors Atkins was absent.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 06/30/20 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the June 30, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Atkins, Cortopassi, Watkins

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. Payroll
- h. Summary
- i. Short Names/Acronym List
- j. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director Sanguinetti inquired on the expenses on page 9, line items 8 & 9 for Mark Ease Products, Co. for No Trespassing signs (180) for WS system in a total amount of \$5,758.72, inquiring on the size of the signs. Manager Moody advised the signs are quite large and will replace the signs that were in poor condition and old. The new signs are aluminum and reflective.

Director Cortopassi inquired on the expense on page 9, line item 10 for PG&E 1949656419-6 for Electricity 05/14/20 – 06/14/20 BellotaBlckh/Canal Gate in the amount of \$3,944.24. Assistant

General Manager Hopkins replied there are 4 electrically actuated gates, a trash rack, and fish screens being operated for this cost.

Director Cortopassi inquired on the expense on page 9, line item 13 for PG&E CFM/PPC Department for PG&E electrical agreement at Funck Road Gates in the amount of \$4,411.92. Manager Moody replied this cost is for the travelling screen project, which is not yet installed, this is part of the agreement for installation.

Director Cortopassi inquired on the expense on page 15, line item 3 for B&B High Voltage LLC for West High Voltage Lines reliability improvements in the amount of \$30,412.40. Manager Moody replied this was for the work conducted on the power lines that would cause a power glitch at the District when the birds would land in a large group and fly away together, causing the lines to clash.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the July 7, 2020 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

3. Dr. Joe Waidhofer Drinking Water Treatment Plant

a. ME-7 Flocc Basin Mixer Equipment Failure Memo, 07/07/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding ME-7 Flocc Basin Mixer Equipment Failure. Manager Moody reported he showed Directors Cortopassi and Sanguinetti a video of the dive at ME-7 Flocc Basin prior to the Board Meeting.

Manager Moody reported staff had two options of exploring the fusion mixer. One option was to drain the basin and perform a confined space entry, but that would require limiting the District's water production capacity. Or, staff could dive into the basin with a camera and inspect the damage.

Manager Moody reported that staff contacted the manufacturer and they suspect the failure was due to a poor weld on the reinforcing member. Manager Moody reported that a new blade will be purchased and the dive team will install the equipment as to not impact plant production.

Director McGurk inquired if it was worth researching other vendors to purchase the equipment from if the previous manufacturer made a bad weld. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied that nothing more jumped out to the divers while they were in the water. Director Sanguinetti added that from the pictures it looks more like metal fatigue than a bad weld.

President Panizza suggested that perhaps staff look at alternate vendors if these blades were truly replaced in 2017 and have failed already. Manager Moody advised staff will research. This item was for information only.

b. P-28 Coupling Memo, 07/07/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding P-28 coupling. Manager Moody reported the pump company has determined that the contractors who performed the initial installation most likely torqued the hex nuts and cap screws in an uneven pattern. The uneven tightening drove the misaligned adjusting plate into the driveshaft, damaging the coupling and driveshaft.

Director Sanguinetti inquired on the condition of the motor. Manager Moody replied it was in great shape.

Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported that the pump company has provided an update to the quote as the original quote was based on estimations that the District provided, however some estimations are not accurate. The pump company found an additional 5-foot shaft and two bearings that need to be replaced and there was significant wear on the impellers.

Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported that the pump company is estimating an additional cost of ~\$2,700 to complete the work. Manager Moody added that when a final estimate is received the information will be brought back to the Board for consideration and approval.

Manager Moody reported staff has been discussing the possibility of replacing the impellers instead of rebuilding them. It will cost ~\$6,200 more to purchase new impellers, but in the long-term it would be better to have new equipment. The lead time for new impellers is 14-16 weeks. This item was for information only.

4. Stockton East Water District – Water Supply Metering Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Update Memo, 06/30/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the Water Supply Metering Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) update. Assistant General Manager Hopkins reported staff is currently able to monitor 41 surface water turnouts with near real-time information. By the end of July, staff anticipates the five missing turnouts will be integrated and 4-8 additional installations will be complete.

Manager Moody reported that previously it would take staff a couple of weeks to manually read all the meters. This new technology will be a good step in saving staff time and getting more accurate readings.

Director Cortopassi inquired if this metering program allows staff to view individual use of each meter. Assistant General Manager Hopkins replied yes, and Finance Director Vega can export that data and use it for billing purposes.

Director Sanguinetti inquired if the District has sent notices to irrigators using surface water that the District is working on replacing meters. He advised that it would be a sign of good faith to send notice to irrigators so they do not spend money to replace the meters, only to have the District come behind them and potentially do the same thing. Manager Moody replied staff will send correspondence to irrigators. This item was for information only.

5. California Public Employees' Retirement System – Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) Financing Memo, 07/02/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with a memorandum outlining the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) payment options. Manager Moody reported last year the Board approved paying this amount in one lump sum.

The savings are identified as being \$16,803.28 if the Board chooses to pay this amount in one lump sum.

Director Cortopassi inquired if the District has the capital to pay the lump sum amount. Manager Moody replied yes.

A motion was moved and seconded to pay the full amount of the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Unfunded Accrued Liability in lump sum; and, in the amounts of \$480,553.00 for Classic Members and \$7,810.00 for PEPRA.

Roll Call:

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

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS (None)

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 07/06/20

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 173,767 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 179 cfs. There is 1,701,795 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 203 cfs and release to all water users are set at 1,762 cfs. There are 14 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 4 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 1 Out-of-District irrigator(s). The water treatment plant is currently processing 36 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 20 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 inquired with the Board how they would like to go about paying the warrants as neither President Panizza nor Vice President Watkins are present to sign them. Manager Moody reported that the County does not care who signs so long as the signatory is listed as a signer with the County. President Panizza inquired if the County will allow Vice President Watkins' name to be stamped. Finance Director Vega replied yes. Vice President Watkins advised he is fine with his name being stamped on the warrants for processing.

Manager Moody reported that the District experienced a power outage on campus on Thursday, July 2, 2020. The power was back on within 30-minutes. Manager Moody advised that staff noticed many issues during this outage, like; a generator in Low Lift not turning on, a generator in High Service not turning on and a faulty VFD in Low Lift. Director Sanguinetti inquired if the District has ABC generators that activate for computers. Manager Moody replied yes, but they only last ~20-minutes. Director Sanguinetti suggested that perhaps there should be a generator dedicated solely to electronic devices as the District is more dependent on electronics than it was when the generator equipment was originally installed. Director Cortopassi concurred and suggested a separate system that keeps software and computers operating. Manager Moody reported that staff called Cal Water immediately to notify them of the outage as their system automatically kicks their wells on when it senses a pressure drop. Manager

Moody reported that all staff involved are working on incident reports so everyone can walk-through the events of what happened to understand.

Manager Moody reported that the District received a chlorine delivery on Monday, July 6, 2020. During the delivery the delivery driver dropped a 1-ton cylinder off the truck, due to failing to close the lift gate on his truck while moving from one cylinder bay to the next. Staff contacted the manufacturer who advised that this happens more often than you would think and if there is not visible damage it is okay to use that cylinder.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. United States Bureau of Reclamation – In Support of Watersmart Grant Application of North San Joaquin Water Conservation District, 07/01/20

Manager Moody provided the Board with correspondence sent to the USBR on July 1, 2020 regarding the Watersmart Grant Application. Manager Moody reported Jennifer Spaletta provided the District with a blanket letter for signature to show support of North San Joaquin Water Conservation District's application.

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting, 8:30 a.m., 07/08/20

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

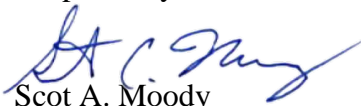
1. Closed Session - Existing Litigation
Stockton East Water District vs. City of Stockton, et al.
Government Code 54956.9 (a)
2. Closed Session – Personnel
Government Code 54957

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:19 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. Finance Director Vega and Administrative Assistant Curtis were excused from the closed session meeting at 1:23 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:39 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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