

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, NOVEMBER 24, 2020 AT 12:00 NOON

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Vice President Watkins called the regular meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. and Director Cortopassi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at the District were Manager Moody, Assistant Manager Hopkins, Finance Director Vega, Administrative Services Manager Carido and Administrative Assistant Curtis. Present at roll call via teleconference were Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present via teleconference were Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Consultant Barkett.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Director Cortopassi wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes 11/17/20 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the November 17, 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 56 – Construction Fund
- b. Fund 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- c. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
- d. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- e. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- f. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- g. Summary
- h. Short Names/Acronym List
- i. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the November 24, 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 – Windows Server 2012r2 Memo, 11/24/20
Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the Windows Server 2012r2. Manager Moody reported the District’s current version of software lost support in January 2018 and as of 2023 will no longer be offered extended support.

The software upgrade itself is a relatively low cost. The most expensive cost for this work comes from the labor of Verve to clear the servers, reinstall software and ensure everything is working properly once installed. The total cost of this work, to include software, would be \$31,824.50. Manager Moody reported that this is a budgeted expense, however; due to cost staff wanted to bring this to the Board for comments and approval.

Director McGurk inquired if the Windows Server 2012r2 is different than the Windows Server 2019. Manager Moody replied yes.

Director McGurk inquired on the length of time it will take to complete this work. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied there are a couple of planned outages at the District that would be scheduled to complete this work. Work of this nature is typically done over the weekend, but it is unclear at this point how many weekends it will take to complete the process.

Director McGurk inquired if staff is comfortable that everything will work after being installed given the amount of money being spent on this project. Manager Moody replied staff likely will not know how things will run until after it is installed and tested. Although, he would suspect that this work would have security upgrades to prevent hacking as well.

Director Cortopassi inquired if Verve bid on this project. Manager Moody replied Verve’s contract is bid on each time it expires, but this work would be outside Verve’s contracted work. However, the costs going with another vendors likely would have been much higher as any other vendor would have had to familiarize themselves with the District’s system.

Director Cortopassi inquired how Verve determined their price for quoting. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied Verve provided a lump sum cost broken down by the various tasks.

Consensus of the Board was to move forward with the Windows Server 2012r2 update.

4. Stockton East Water District – Remote SCADA Sites Development Memo, 11/24/20
Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the remote SCADA sites development. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported at the November 17, 2020 Regular Board Meeting, staff provided the Board with an update on the ongoing District projects. Many of those projects included a SCADA component to bring remote sites into the SCADA system. A precursory step is to establish communication links between remote sites and the Water Treatment Plant where the SCADA server is hosted.

Assistant Manager Hopkins reported the memo provided outlines the costs to perform a radio path study and development of screens through Control Point Engineering. The total costs for this work with Control Point would be \$44,800, which is funded through various accounts within the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Annual Budget.

Director McGurk commented that Bear Valley was a water quality issue previously and if there are any remote detection sites that far up the system. Manager Moody replied no.

Director McGurk inquired on what the water quality monitoring stations monitor. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied the stations look for parameters that will provide identifiers like turbidity, pH and gasoline in the water.

Consensus of the Board was to move forward with the remote SCADA site development work.

5. State Water Resources Control Board – 2020/2021 Water Rights Fees

Manager Moody provided the Board with a listing of invoices from the State Water Resources Control Board for the District’s annual water rights fees in the total amount of \$196,196.39. Manager Moody reported there are annual payments and the cost increased just mildly this year.

Consensus of the Board was to move forward with paying the 2020/2021 Water Rights Fees.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Agriculture Operations Committee Meeting, 11/19/20

Directors Cortopassi, Sanguinetti and Watkins and staff attended the November 19, 2020 Agricultural Operations Committee Meeting. Director Cortopassi reported there was discussion on the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Annual Budget. Director Cortopassi reported that Finance Director Vega did a good job of identifying everything. An email was sent to the Committee after their meeting identifying that there are a couple items that were not correctly presented and another meeting will need to be scheduled to review these items as they will substantially change the budget. President Panizza inquired if it is possible for staff to work with the Committee on scheduling another meeting in the near future. Manager Moody replied yes.

2. Stockton East Water District Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting, 11/23/20 – Cancelled

Director Watkins inquired if the Committee would like to reschedule. Manager Moody replied it might be beneficial to wait until the COVID test results are received from the District staff member that is out awaiting their result. Director Sanguinetti commented that the Ag Ops Committee meeting is more important to schedule as the Budget needs to be approved, it is not essential for this Ad Hoc Committee to meet immediately. President Panizza requested Director Watkins work with Manager Moody on dates to schedule a meeting and check the availability of other Ad Hoc Committee members.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 11/23/20

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 133,686 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 57 cfs. There is 1,509,117 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 202 cfs and release to all water users are set at 235 cfs. There are 0 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 0 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 0 Out-of-District irrigator(s).

The water treatment plant is currently processing 24 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. Greater San Joaquin County Regional Water Coordinating Committee Meeting, 11/18/20
Assistant Manager Hopkins attended the November 18, 2020 Greater San Joaquin County Regional Water Coordinating Committee Meeting. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported there were relatively minor comments received on the IRWMP amendment. There was significant discussion on public notification and how that should occur. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported the December meeting was cancelled, the next meeting will take place on January 20th. During that meeting the Consultants will be looking for the Committee to adopt a Draft IRWMP update. Each committee member, the District being one, will need to adopt their own resolution approving the IRWMP, which must be done by March 2021. The Committee will be sending a resolution template at the beginning of the new year for use. The next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2021.

b. Central Valley Project Water Association – Executive & Financial Affairs Committee, 11/20/20

Finance Director Vega attended the November 20, 2020 Central Valley Project Water Association – Executive & Financial Affairs Committee meeting. Finance Director Vega reported there was a USBR staffing update provided, as well as an update on the replacement for the Water Users Association President vacancy. They expect a replacement within the next couple of months. Finance Director Vega reported there were still many outstanding items being worked on but no definitive updates on actual progress. The USBR is working with DWR on state and federal split of costs. The USBR has developed a statement of accounts for the Trinity PUD portion of the rate. Finance Director Vega reported water rates are expected to be complete by January 2021. The next meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2020.

c. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody reported he has been summoned to jury duty the week of Christmas and will keep the Board informed on the status of this summons.

Manager Moody reported workload permitting, he would like to take Monday, November 30th as a vacation day.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. District Holiday – Thanksgiving, 11/26/20 & 11/27/20

2. ACWA/JPIA Board of Directors Virtual Meeting, 12:00 Noon, 11/30/20

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 1:10 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:27 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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