

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 18, 2021 AT 12:30 P.M.

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

President Watkins 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, McGaughey, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Director McGurk was absent. Also present were Manager Moody, Finance Director Vega, District Engineer Evensen, Administrative Services Manager Carido, Administrative Assistant Curtis, Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Consultant Barkett.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)**

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)**

**D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Minutes 05/11/21 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the May 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGurk

2. Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the May 18, 2021 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGurk

3. Resolution No. 21-22-02 – Placing in Nomination Thomas McGurk as a Member of the Association of California Water Agencies for Region 4 Board of Directors

Manager Moody provided the Board with Resolution No. 21-22-02 – Placing in Nomination Thomas McGurk as a Member of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) for Region 4 Board of Directors.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 21-22-02 – Placing in Nomination Thomas McGurk as a Member of the Association of California Water Agencies for Region 4 Board of Directors, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

Nayes: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: McGurk

4. Stockton East Water District – California Environmental Quality Act – Gotelli Bridge Replacement and Dondero Diversion Projects Memo, 05/18/21  
Manager Moody reported the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documents are ready for approval.

Legal Counsel Zolezzi inquired if they have been posted for notice of adoption. Manager Moody replied yes.

- a. Gotelli Bridge 2 Replacement of Calaveras River Project – Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration & Notice of Determination  
Manager Moody reported the Gotelli Bridge Project is to replace the existing bridge with a new flat railcar bridge.
- b. Dondero Crossing of Potter Creek Project – Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration & Notice of Determination  
Manager Moody reported the Dondero Project is for construction of a low water crossing.

A motion was moved and seconded to adopt and authorize the General Manager to finalize the California Environmental Quality Act documents for the Gotelli Bridge 2 Replacement of Calaveras River Project and Dondero Crossing of Potter Creek Project, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

President Watkins inquired if the documents say box culverts will CEQA allow for a low water crossing and dam. Manager Moody replied that the Project changed slightly, but not substantially enough to edit the documents for approval.

President Watkins commented that the Dondero Project will allow for an additional 50 acres of irrigated land and will also allow water to flow to Sunberry. All Project information will be brought back to the Board and Committee for final approval.

5. Stockton East Water District & APG & DJG Company Partnership – Quitclaim Deed  
Manager Moody provided the Board with a quitclaim deed for the APG & DJG Company Partnership. Manager Moody reported this is the quitclaim for the bridge and has already been signed by the Gotellis.

Director Panizza thanked Legal Counsel Zolezzi for the addition of the “as is, where is, and with all its faults” language.

A motion was moved and seconded to proceed with signing the quitclaim deed agreement for the APG & DJG Company Partnership, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

## **E. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting, 05/12/21  
Director Watkins and Manager Moody attended the May 12, 2021 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported that discussion focused on budget discussion as there is a potential substantial increase. President Watkins just participated in the GWA Budget Committee meeting to discuss these numbers. President Watkins reported that it seems that the numbers will be adjusted to be more reasonable than what was presented at the Steering Committee. There will be more discussion on this at the next meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2021.

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

1. Water Supply Report as of 05/17/21  
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 142,039 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 181 cfs. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 904 cfs and release to all water users are set at 192 cfs. There are 8 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 30 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 22 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 reported he plans to take off next Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> for vacation.

## **G. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

Director McGaughey reported she received a phone call from a Lodi resident advising that the City of Lodi has instated rules for which house numbers can water on which days of the week. Director McGaughey inquired if the City of Stockton has anything similar in place. Mel Lytle, City of Stockton replied that there is no discussion at this time for conservation efforts. Manager Moody added that the Office of Emergency Services is looking to re-form the Drought Committee and may be directed by the Board of Supervisors to do so in the future.

1. Association of California Water Agencies – 2021 Virtual Spring Conference, 05/12/21 – 05/13/21  
Directors McGurk and Watkins attended the Association of California Water Agencies 2021 Virtual Spring Conference. President Watkins reported they attended the opening remarks on Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, which were led by Karla Nemeth, Director of California Department of Water Resources. There was discussion on SGMA implementation. The plan is to have the 2021 Fall Conference take place in person in Pasadena, CA.

**H. COMMUNICATIONS** (None)

**I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS**

1. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting, 1:00 p.m., 05/19/21
2. Greater San Joaquin County Regional Water Coordinating Committee Meeting, 3:00 p.m., 05/19/21
3. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – 2021 Virtual State of the City, 2:00 p.m., 05/20/21
4. Special Meeting of the Board of Directors – Ed’s Retirement Luncheon, Noon, 05/21/21
5. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 05/21/21
6. Central Valley Project Water Association – Executive & Financial Affairs Committee, 10:00 a.m., 05/21/21

**J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL**

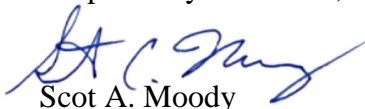
1. Closed Session - Personnel  
Government Code 54957
2. Closed Session - Existing Litigation  
Stockton East Water District vs. City of Stockton, et al.  
Government Code 54956.9 (a)

President Watkins adjourned the meeting to closed session at 12:44 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 12:56 p.m., with no reportable action.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

President Watkins adjourned the meeting at 12:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Scot A. Moody  
Secretary of the Board

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