

THE 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 9, 2026, AT 12:30 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President McGurk called the regular meeting to order at 12:30 p.m., Director Nakaue led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Manager Hopkins, Assistant Manager Vega, Director of Finance and Administration Ram, District Engineer Evensen, Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes, Procurement Specialist Cahoon, Administrative Assistant Barraza and Legal Counsel Zolezzi.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes 05/26/26 Regular Board Meeting

2. Warrants
 - a. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
 - b. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
 - c. Fund 89 – Fish Passage Improvement Fund
 - d. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
 - e. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
 - f. Summary
 - g. Short Names/Acronym List
 - h. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

3. Warrants – California’ Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr.& Mrs. Borba addressed the Board regarding an agreement referenced in their original easement and stated that the San Joaquin County Office was unable to locate a copy of the agreement. They requested assistance from the District in obtaining the agreement. Manager Hopkins stated staff would research the matter and provide a copy if one is available. Mrs. Borba also expressed concerns regarding water availability for their property. Referring to information contained in the District’s Spring Newsletter, they had researched the District’s water supplies and were surprised to learn that water will not be available this year. They explained that they have experienced significant crop losses and asked whether emergency water or other assistance could be made available.

Mr. Borba stated that he has invested in improvements to his ranch and is seeking options to obtain water to preserve his crops. He expressed concern that District facilities convey water through his property while he is unable to receive water service. He requested guidance regarding any potential opportunities for water delivery.

Legal Counsel Zolezzi explained that the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) does not currently authorize the District to provide New Melones water to the Borbas. She reported water had been provided in prior years, but the practice was subsequently discontinued at the direction of the BOR. Legal Counsel Zolezzi further reported District staff continue to work with the BOR regarding the issue; however, no resolution has been reached. Discussion followed.

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEM

1. Stockton East Water District – Staff Report – Consider Approval of HVAC System Modifications and Redundant Cooling System at High Service Pump Station and Proposed Budget Amendment
Manager Hopkins presented the Board with a Staff Report to Consider Approval of HVAC System Modifications and Redundant Cooling System at High Service Pump Station and Proposed Budget Amendment. Assistant Manager Vega reported the District’s High Service Pump Station is a critical facility responsible for delivering water to municipal and industrial customers. He reported existing HVAC deficiencies have been identified and resulted in elevated room temperatures, inadequate cooling performance and lack of system redundancy – conditions that pose significant operational risk to essential equipment and continuous service.

Director Atkins, McGurk, Sanguinetti and Watkins inquired about the staff report and staff provided responses to questions.

A motion was moved and seconded to authorize the General Manager to proceed with implementing the HVAC System Improvements and Installation of a Redundant Cooling System at the High Service Pump Station in the amount of \$302,801 plus a 10% contingency of \$30,280 for a total of \$333,081 and execute all appropriately necessary agreements, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

2. Resolution No. 26-27-04 – Declaring an Election be Held in its Jurisdiction; Requesting the Board of Supervisors to Consolidate this Election with any other Election Conducted on Said Date; and Requesting Election Services by the Registrar of Voters
 - a. San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters – 2026 General Election
(SEWD Divisions 2, 3, 5, 6 & 7)

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Director Sanguinetti inquired about Resolution No. 26-27-04 and staff provided responses to questions.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 26-27-04 – Declaring an Election be Held in its Jurisdiction; Requesting the Board of Supervisors to Consolidate this Election with any other Election Conducted on Said Date; and Requesting Election Services by the Registrar of Voters, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

3. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – San Joaquin Agricultural Hall of Fame Requests 2026 Nominations

Manager Hopkins presented the Board with the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – San Joaquin Agricultural Hall of Fame Requests 2026 Nominations. Manager Hopkins reported the San Joaquin County Agricultural Hall of Fame is requesting nominations for outstanding agricultural leaders and mentors in our community. Manager Hopkins reported the nominations forms needed to be submitted no later than July 27, 2026.

No action was taken on this item.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Ad-Hoc Board Ethical Guidelines Review and Update Committee Meeting, 06/08/26

Directors Hansen, Nakaue and Sanguinetti along with Manager Hopkins and Legal Counsel Zolezzi attended the Ad-Hoc Board Ethical Guidelines Review and Update Committee Meeting. Director Nakaue reported the committee reviewed Resolution No. 26-27-05 – Relating to Board and District Procedures and Organization and the Ethical Guidelines for Stockton East Water District Directors. He reported the committee recommended both items be presented to the Board for approval.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 05/26/26

Manager Hopkins 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 204,466 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 184 cfs. There is 1,781,599 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current releases are set at 2,492 cfs. The current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River is set at 2,953 cfs and release to all water users is set at 3,157 cfs. The District's WTP is currently processing 48 mgd. The City of Stockton WTP is currently processing 21 mgd. The District groundwater production is currently 8 mgd.

2. Information Items: F-2a

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Hopkins reported that the District is featuring two new employees on its website and LinkedIn page for the May Employee Spotlight. He reported the featured employees are Gerardo Torres, Operator in Training and Laura Marquez, who was promoted to Accounting Technician I on June 1.

Manager Hopkins reported he and District staff met with Contra Costa Water District staff to discuss opportunities related to the proposed Pilot Project involving groundwater banking, conservation, and water transfers. As a result of those discussions, both agencies agreed to move forward with a mutually selected consultant who is familiar with the operations and objectives of both districts. Manager Hopkins reported while water supply discussions are currently on

hold, the consultant will assist both agencies in developing and advancing the proposed Pilot Project.

Manager Hopkins reported White Pine, the company with which the District has its current Power Purchase Agreement for solar energy, is nearing the start of construction and is expected to break ground in July.

Manager Hopkins reported the District's mentoring program, established several months ago, has had two employees successfully complete the program. He reported he has received positive feedback regarding the program and that several additional employees are currently participating. Manager Hopkins reported his goal is to increase participation and encourage more employees to enroll in the program.

Manager Hopkins provided the Board with the equipment use for the week of 06/01/26.

4. Stockton East Water District Engineering & Maintenance Update

District Engineer Evensen provided the Board with an Engineering update. District Engineer Evensen reported on the status of several planning, design, permitting, and grant-related projects, including the Filters and Sedimentation Design Project, Clements Pipeline and Reservoirs Design, Lightning and Surge Protection Design, LLPS Electrical Design-Build Project, Mormon Slough Railroad Bridge Fish Passage Project, SWEEP and SWEG grant applications. He reported that the permitting efforts for the George Watkins and McGurk Low-Water Crossing Projects, and the Highway 4 Trash Rack Project, are nearing completion. District Engineer Evensen also provided updates on ongoing construction and project management activities, including the Bellota Weir Modifications Project, Potter Creek Pump Station Project, Solids Handling Dewatering Lagoons Project, Utility Water Booster Pump Station Project, McGurk Low-Water Crossing Project, and George Watkins Low-Water Crossing Project. In addition, District Engineer Evensen shared photographs of the Bellota Weir Modifications Project construction site and highlighted recent construction progress.

Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes provided the Board with a Maintenance update. Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes reported on several maintenance projects and preventative maintenance activities, including sodium hypochlorite pumping improvements consisting of breather, basket strainer, and piping work. He reported preventative maintenance activities for the WTP, fleet, and generation systems are ongoing. Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes also provided an update on electrical projects and preventative maintenance activities. He reported that the chlorine room remodel is approximately 90% complete, the P-26 demolition is ongoing, and electrical maintenance at the WTP continues. He further reported on active construction projects, including work on the Utility Water Booster Pump Station, consisting of earthwork and rebar cage installation, as well as work related to the chlorine-to-boardroom project. Lastly, Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes provided an update on project and construction planning efforts, including planning for the Watkins Low-Water Crossing construction. He reported on EAM/CMMS efforts related to work orders, schedule tracking, and closeout visibility.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – Stockton East Water District Networking Mixer, 06/04/26

Directors Atkins, Hansen and Nakaue attended the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – Stockton East Water District Networking Mixer. Director Nakaue reported the event was well

attended and included facility tours for attendees. He reported both he and Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes spoke at the event and provided information about the District and its operations. Director Atkins reported the event was well received, the outdoor food service was well done, and the District's new conference room was showcased and looked very nice.

2. San Joaquin Farm Bureau – 112th Annual Meeting, 06/04/26
Directors Sanguinetti and Watkins along with Water Supply Manager Donis attended the San Joaquin Farm Bureau – 112th Annual Meeting. Director Sanguinetti reported the event was well attended and well organized, providing an opportunity to engage with members of the agricultural community.

H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – Thank You Letter, 05/26/26
Manager Hopkins presented the Board with the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – Thank You Letter. Manager Hopkins reported this is a thank you letter from the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce for the Districts Gold Sponsorship of the 28th Annual State of the City Luncheon.

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Board Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 06/10/26
2. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation Monthly Water Committee Meeting, 4:30 p.m., 06/10/26
3. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 06/12/26

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

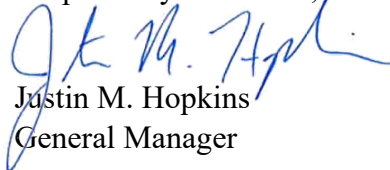
1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED
LITIGATION Potential exposure to litigation – Government Code
Section 54956.9 – one case

President McGurk adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:48 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:55 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President McGurk adjourned the meeting at 1:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Justin M. Hopkins
General Manager

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