

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 10, 2022 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 Legal Counsel Zolezzi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Manager Moody, Assistant Manager Hopkins, Finance Director Vega, District Engineer Evensen, Administrative Services Manager Carido, Administrative Clerk Feliciano and Legal Counsel Zolezzi. Directors Atkins and McGaughey were absent.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

A. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

B. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Action Item: Stockton East Water District Board of Directors Reconsidered the Circumstances of the State of Emergency and Determine that

- (i) The State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and/or
- (ii) State or Local Officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the Action Item: Stockton East Water District Board of Directors Reconsidered the Circumstances of the State of Emergency and Determine that (i) The State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and/or (ii) State or Local Officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Atkins, McGaughey

2. Minutes

a. Minutes 04/22/22 Special Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the April 22, 2022 Special Meeting minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Cortopassi, McGurk, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: Panizza

Absent: Atkins, McGaughey

b. Minutes 04/26/22 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the April 26, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

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

Director McGurk inquired on the expense on page 17, line item 94 for Independence Drafting and Design LLC for drafting designs for sludge handling – sludge lagoons in the amount of \$8,000. Director McGurk inquired why District Staff did not complete the design work. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported the design was based on plans from South San Joaquin Irrigation District and those plans were formatted in PDF; the design was redrawn by Independence Drafting and Design LLC to allow for District Staff to continue designing other District projects. Manager Moody added aerial mapping of the District campus was also done.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the May 10, 2022 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

4. Stockton East Water District – Eastside Satellite Evapotranspiration Project Memo, 05/10/22
Manager Moody provided the Board with a memo regarding the Eastside Satellite Evapotranspiration Project. Manager Moody reported the District was awarded the Department of Interior United States Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects Grant. Manager Moody added the District is partnering with San Joaquin County to complete the Project for North San Joaquin Irrigation District, Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District and Stockton East Water District. Manager Moody stated the Eastside Satellite Evapotranspiration Project was budgeted for \$50,000 for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Manager Moody reported the District received a proposal from DSCE to perform a 2022 water use study through satellite imagery for the Eastside Agencies in the amount of \$116,080. Manager Moody reported the grant funding has a 50% cost share requirement; the Bureau of Reclamation is funding \$58,000 toward the Eastside Satellite ET Project, San Joaquin County is funding \$9,125 and the District will fund the remaining balance of ~\$48,955. Manager Moody recommended the Board approve a Professional Services Agreement with DSCE to complete the Eastside Satellite Evapotranspiration Project in an amount not to exceed \$116,080.

A motion was moved and seconded to authorize the General Manager to approve a Professional Services Agreement with DSCE in an amount not to exceed \$116,080 and make all other approvals necessary, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Atkins, McGaughey

5. Resolution No. 22-23-02 – Stockton East Water District Appointing an Interim General Manager and Board Secretary

Manager Moody provided the Board with Resolution No. 22-23-02 – Stockton East Water District Appointing an Interim General Manager and Board Secretary.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 22-23-02 – Stockton East Water District Appointing an Interim General Manager and Board Secretary, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Atkins, McGaughey

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation Water Advisory Committee Meeting, 04/26/22
Directors Sanguinetti, Watkins and Assistant Manager Hopkins attended the April 26, 2022 San Joaquin Farm Federation Water Advisory Committee Meeting. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported South San Joaquin Irrigation District is planning to attend the July 2022 Board Meeting for approval of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported Staff of Assembly member Villapudua communicated he will be voting against Assembly Bill 2201. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition is performing well testing for nitrates with one year to develop a program. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported San Joaquin County Department of Environmental Health is working carefully on the Executive Order but currently does not have a plan; they reached out to attendees of the Committee Meeting for their response plans and Stockton East Water District is the only district with a template/plan in response to the Executive Order. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported discussion regarding the Water Ballot Measure Process with a presentation from Supervisor Winn. Director McGurk inquired if Supervisor Winn presented the details regarding the Water Ballot and the half-cent sales tax. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied a letter will be distributed soon that establishes the projects planned for the next 30 years. Assistant Manager Hopkins added Supervisor Winn is also seeking letters of support for the Water Ballot. Discussion followed regarding Water Ballot letters of support. The next meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2022.
2. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting, 05/05/22
Director Watkins, Manager Moody and Assistant Manager Hopkins attended the May 5, 2022 Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting. Manager Moody reported discussion regarding the notice of intent to adopt the Groundwater Sustainability Plan submitted by San Joaquin County; the GSP will come to Stockton East Water District Board of Directors for possible adoption. Manager Moody reported the majority of the

meeting was spent discussing the response to the Department of Water Resources comments and after discussion, the process is on the right track for submission to the Department of Water Resources. The next meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2022.

3. San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting, 05/09/22

Director Cortopassi attended the May 9, 2022 San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting. Director Cortopassi stated the minutes and financial report were not given. Director Cortopassi reported membership payments can now be paid online through PayPal via the San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition website. Director Cortopassi reported discussion regarding algae toxicity at Woodbridge and Altamont; Manager Moody added Woodbridge has an issue in the canal that links them with the City of Stockton due to the canal being a drainage/runoff canal. Director Cortopassi reported a meeting is taking place May 11, 2022 with State Water Resources Control Board to determine the results and future plans. Director Cortopassi reported discussion regarding the Wastewater Discharge Requirements Program and the nitrates in the groundwater. Director McGurk inquired if participation in the Wastewater Discharge Requirements Program is voluntary. Legal Counsel Zolezzi replied the Wastewater Discharge Requirements Program is only voluntary to the extent as it is a way to meet the requirements, if not a member of the coalition you have to do your own wastewater discharge report which requires an engineer, permit and plan to be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board. Discussion followed regarding the Wastewater Discharge Requirements Program. The next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2022.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 05/09/22

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 127,240 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 160 cfs. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 1,586 cfs and release to all water users are set at 84 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 46 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 13 mgd.

2. Information Items:

Manager Moody noted item: F2a-1, F2a-2 and F2a-3.

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 04/29/22

Manager Moody and Assistant Manager Hopkins attended the April 29, 2022 ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported the meeting was hybrid; some participating in-person and others participating virtually. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported an update given by Cindy Tuck, Deputy Director for Government Relations regarding the State approving \$7.5 billion for climate resilience and water supply projects; of those funds, \$1 billion for flood and dam safety and \$1.5 billion for water capture and groundwater clean-up. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported there were 18 bills in the packet and 6 bills were discussed; Senate Bill 832 for State Water Resource Control Board to scientifically vet the open ET platform. Manager Moody commented the purpose of Senate Bill 832 is good, we want the State Water Resource Control Board to co-sign to ET Programs rather than having to spend millions of dollars metering every well in the District. Director McGurk inquired about

ACWA's position on Senate Bill 832. Assistant Manager Hopkins replied ACWA's position is support if amended. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported discussion regarding Assembly Bill 2649 for the Bay Delta Plan; moratorium on water right applications. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported discussion regarding Assembly Bill 2419 which provides funding for disadvantaged communities; disadvantaged communities outlined in the Bill largely excluded the northern part of California. Assistant Manager Hopkins reported ACWA plans to oppose the Bill unless amended to include northern California as well. The next meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2022.

b. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody provided the Board with a handout of the General Manager Recruitment Brochure. Manager Moody reported the recruitment contractor set to run the recruitment for General Manager was non-responsive and President Watkins instructed District Staff to run the recruitment in-house. Manager Moody explained District Staff advertised the recruitment with Association of California Water Agencies, Brown & Caldwell Water Jobs, California Special Districts Association and the District website. Manager Moody reported three applications have been received and he has been contacted with interest in the position; Manager Moody stated he believes the recruitment will be successful with qualified candidates. Manager Moody commended District Staff on a job well done putting together the brochure. This item was for information only.

Manager Moody notified the Board of two upcoming events; Water Education Foundation – Bay Delta Tour SAWS Sponsored Dinner on Wednesday, May 18th at 5:30 p.m. at the University Plaza Waterfront Hotel and the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – State of the City on Thursday, May 19th at 10:30 a.m. at the Port of Stockton, Shed 20. Manager Moody advised Board to let District Staff know if they would like to attend. Director Sanguinetti commented Legal Counsel Zolezzi will be the guest speaker at the Water Education Foundation – Bay Delta Tour SAWS Sponsored Dinner. Director McGurk encouraged Legal Counsel Zolezzi to speak about the District's current affairs. This item was for information only.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Association of California Water Agencies – 2022 Spring Conference and Exhibition, 05/03/22 – 05/05/22

Directors Atkins, McGurk, Sanguinetti, Watkins and Assistant Manager Hopkins attended the Association of California Water Agencies – 2022 Spring Conference and Exhibition. Director McGurk reported there were more breakout sessions and issue forums at this Conference than at previous Conferences which kept him engaged. Director McGurk commented he appreciated being able to meet and discuss issues with high level members of ACWA. Discussion followed regarding the meetings attended at the ACWA Spring Conference. President Watkins reported the raffle was successful with winners including Stockton East Water District Board and Staff.

2. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – Oakmont of Brookside, 05/05/22
Nothing to report.

H. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Steering Committee Meeting, 8:30 a.m., 05/11/22
This meeting has been cancelled
2. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Board Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 05/11/22
3. Stockton Area Water Suppliers (SAWS) Meeting, 1:00 p.m., 05/13/22

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

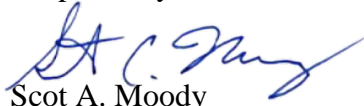
1. Closed Session - Existing Litigation
Stockton East Water District vs. City of Stockton, et al.
Government Code 54956.9 (a)
2. Closed Session - Potential Litigation
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – one case

President Watkins adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:24 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:55 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

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