

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
WAS HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 6767 EAST MAIN ST., STOCKTON, CA
ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2007 AT NOON

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President Panizza called the meeting to order. The pledge of allegiance was lead by Director Watkins.

Present at roll call were Directors Cortopassi, Latimer, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, and Watkins. Also present were Finance Director Jamosmos, Superintendent Yoshimura, Resident Engineer Lozano, and Counsel Zolezzi.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT(None)

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes, 10/16/07 Regular Meeting

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 10/16/07 regular meeting minutes as written.

Vote: Unanimous approval.

2. Property Insurance – Loss Control Visit

Superintendent Yoshimura reported on Chubb’s visit to Stockton East Water District and made a correction in the report submitted by Chubb’s saying the sedimentation room was actually the filter gallery.

Director Watkins asked if Chubb’s inspector looked at the ponds and signage around the intake structures. Superintendent Yoshimura replied the Chubb’s inspection was concerned with physical structures only.

Director Panizza asked if the liability extends beyond the treatment plant structures. Superintendent Yoshimura said staff would investigate.

3. Water Rights Fees (07/01/07 – 06/30/08)

Superintendent Yoshimura recommended the district would be paying these bills under protest as the district did last year. Counsel Zolezzi said the appeal is in the Appellate Court and to pay the Water Rights bills under protest. No other action was taken.

4. DWTP – Efficiency Enhancement Project – Finished Water Pumping Station Upgrade

Superintendent Yoshimura said a Stop Notice was received from Steiny Electric for the Efficiency Enhancement Project – Finished Water Pumping Station Upgrade. The Stop Notice was received within the 45-day period and Manager Kauffman, Asst Mgr. Thomas, and HDR are reviewing the situation. No other action was taken.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission, 10/17/07

Director McGurk reported on the meeting and noted the following: Senate Banking panel approves flood insurance overhaul and FEMA denies exemption in flood-prone area of Sacramento. An update on the MORE WATER Project was provided.

Director Cortopassi asked if the district was in the MORE WATER Project. Dr. Lytle quoted page 44, paragraph 2, of the Board package, "The finding of this appraisal study is that there exists a potential Federal interest in groundwater recharge/conjunctive use project in the ESJGB. Restoring the aquifer to sustainable levels will have local and regional benefits for the Central Valley Project contractors and others in the study area." Dr. Lytle noted the "others" would include Stockton East Water District and other east side contractors.

F. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. M&O Superintendent Report

Superintendent Yoshimura reported there is approximately 124,650 AF in storage at New Hogan. Current releases are set at 37 cfs. There is approximately 1,431,000 AF at New Melones. Current releases are at 50 cfs. The treatment plant is currently processing 45 MGD.

Resident Engineer Lozano reported the district began removing all flashboard dams last week. Removal of dams will be done by the end of this week. Resident Engineer Lozano also reported fish were spotted in the river and FishBio was called out to investigate. FishBio reported the fish spotted were Chinook yearlings and took measurements of the fish but no actions were taken.

2. Informational Items

Superintendent Yoshimura noted F2a-1, F2a-2, & F2a-7.

Superintendent Yoshimura noted the following meetings: GBA Coordinating Committee Meeting on 10/24/07 at 9:30 a.m. and Calaveras River Watershed Stewardship Group Meeting on 10/24/07 at 6:00 p.m.

G. DIRECTOR REPORT

Director Latimer thanked Counsel Zolezzi for the Anniversary Celebration of Herum Crabtree Brown and reported it was very nice.

Director Cortopassi reported he attended the San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition meeting held at SEWD on 10/23/07 and found the meeting very beneficial.

Director Watkins noted that USGS would be presenting a salinity study by John Izbecki at the GBA Meeting and inquired if anyone will be attending from the district.

H. REPORT OF COUNSEL

1. USBR Water Right at New Hogan Reservoir

Counsel Zolezzi stated the letter on page 75 of the Board package is continuing pressure on Pacific Southwest Region regarding the issuance of the permit licensing on behalf of both SEWD and CCWD.

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to a closed session at 12:56 p.m. to discuss scheduled closed session items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:24 p.m. with the following no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Kauffman
Secretary of the Board

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