Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting of Board of Directors Eastside Water District

Thursday, April 21, 2022 9:00 AM

Chairman Tim Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM at the Cortez Hall, 12937 North Cortez Avenue, Turlock, CA 95380 and via Zoom.

Directors Present: Ty Angle (on-line, *left board meeting following Item 5*), Ward Burroughs Tim Johnson, Dexter Long, and Norik Naraghi (on-line) Wes Sperry

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: Mike Day-Provost and Pritchard, Alberto Flores-KL Whipp and Co., John Lambie-EPUR, Kristy Robison-Water Wise, Dino Rossini, Maryse Suppiger-Hancock, Todd Turley-Farmland Reserve (on-line), Karen Whipp-board secretary, Sarah Woolf-EWD General Manager and Jeanne Zolezzi-Legal Counsel

- <u>Item 2</u> Public Comment None.
- Item 3 Consent Calendar: It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Wes Sperry, and carried unanimously to approve the consent calendar. Roll Call Vote: Ty Angel Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, and Wes Sperry Yes.
- <u>Item 4</u> Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt Resolution to Expand the Board of Directors from Seven to Nine and to amend the Eastside Water District Bylaws to Reflect that Change

It was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Dexter Long and **carried unanimously** to adopt Resolution 2022-01 amending the Eastside Water District bylaws expanding the board of directors from seven to nine members. **Roll Call Vote:** Ty Angel – Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson – Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, and Wes Sperry - Yes.

<u>Item 5</u> Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt Resolution to Appoint Three New Board Members

Following the recommendation from the Ad Hoc Committee, it was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Dexter Long and **carried unanimously** to adopt Resolution 2022-02 and appoint three board members as follows:

Dino Rossini, to serve until December 2023

Maryse Suppiger to serve until December 2023

Carl Evers, III to serve until December 2025

Roll Call Vote: Ty Angel – Yes, Ward Burroughs-Yes, Tim Johnson – Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, and Wes Sperry - Yes.

<u>Item 6</u> Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint a Treasurer for the Eastside Water District

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Dexter Long and **carried unanimously** to appoint Maryse Suppiger as the Treasurer. **Roll Call Vote:** Ward Burroughs-Yes, Carl Evers, III – Yes, Tim Johnson – Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, Dino Rossini – Yes, Wes Sperry – Yes, and Maryse Suppiger – Yes.

Item 7 Action to Appoint Ad Hoc Committee to Research Investment Options for the Eastside Water District

Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Ward Burroughs, seconded by Dino Rossini and **carried unanimously** to appoint Maryse Suppiger, Carl Evers, III, Dexter Long, and Wes Sperry as the members of the Investment Committee to research investment options for the Eastside Water District. **Roll Call Vote: Ward Burroughs-Yes, Carl Evers, III – Yes, Tim Johnson – Yes, Dexter Long-Yes, Norik Naraghi-Yes, Dino Rossini – Yes, Wes Sperry – Yes, and Maryse Suppiger – Yes.**

Item 8 East Turlock Subbasin GSA Update:

Sarah Woolf gave a GSP Update that included the following:

- The first Annual Report was submitted April 1. The report incorporated 2015-2021 data. The issue of water accounting methodology was not addressed in this report and the description of water types has been reviewed by legal counsel on both sides.
- The final draft of the ETS GSA budget was reviewed and the shortfall was discussed. The EWD board recommends adding additional funding to administration and accelerating the Prop 218 process.
- The Well Ordinance Consistency Policy is on the ETS GSA April 28 agenda for adoption.
- There will be a Kick-off meeting for the Upland Pipeline Project the second week of May.
- The ETS GSA is looking for grants to fund projects.
- The first quarterly meeting with TID and Ballico Cortez Water District is May
 9.
- EWD received a letter from Merced Irrigation District that there would be no water this year.

Item 9 Closed Session

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 – 1 case.

There was no closed session.

There being no further business, Chairman Tim Johnson adjourned the meeting at 10:20 am.

I hereby certify that this is a full and correct copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors of the

Eastside Water District of Merced and Stanislaus Counties, California.

April 21, 2022

Karen Whipp KAREN L. WHIPP

EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT BOARD CLERK