

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
March 6, 2012

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Regular Session at the hour of 9:00 a.m. Upon roll call, there were present:

Directors: Frank B. Clark, President
Steve Webb, Vice President
Al Bairos, Jr.
Jack D. Alpers
Herman Doornenbal

Staff Present: Steve Knell, P.E., General Manager
Gary Jernigan, P.E., Contract/Special Projects Manager
Jason Jones, Support Services Manager
John Davids, P.E., District Engineer
Kathy Cook, Chief Financial Officer
Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager

ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additions or deletions of agenda items.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

There were no items taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:01 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

Robert Longstreth who resides at 25869 E. River Road, Escalon, CA was present and stated that he has a parcel on Claribel Road in the Cashman Creek Area which consists of approximately 311 acres with 36 acres out of the District. He has been paying for out-of-district water for the fringe portion of his parcel for the last couple of years. He stated that he was notified that after the fringe parcel analysis was completed he would be considered for annexation of the fringe parcel. He was recently told this was no longer available to him. Director Webb requested that he be placed on the next Water/Engineering Committee Meeting Agenda.

There being no further public comment, public comment closed at 9:05 a.m.

CONSENT ITEMS

ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

ITEM NO. 2

**APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 20, 2012
AND RESOLUTIONS NOS. 2012-09, 2012-10, 2012-11, 2012-12, and 2012-13**

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 20, 2012 and Resolution Nos. 2012-09, 2012-10, 2012-11, 2012-12, and 2012-13.

ITEM NO. 3

**APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION
DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS**

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 4

**APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF
CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS**

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the assignment of the following work order numbers:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Work Order No.</u>
Crane Pipeline	Install additional 30" Fresno 101C slide gate for use as a head gate.	\$3,600	2012-013
Kearney / Heggie Headgate	Installation of a new concrete wall on the existing structure, concrete pedestal and integration of 2 Rubicon slip meters.	\$73,600	2012-014
Gray Pipeline	Removal of a portion of the existing structure, installation of a concrete pedestal and integration of a Rubicon slip meter.	\$35,000	2012-015
Adams No. 2	Removal and replacement of existing structure, installation of a concrete pedestal and integration of a Rubicon slip meter.	\$53,500	2012-016
Lower Cometa Lateral	Replace and upgrade gate with 18" Fresno 101C slide gate.	\$2,500	2012-017
River Road Lateral	Replace and upgrade gate with 15" Fresno 101C slide gate	\$2,100	2012-018
Mootz Lateral	Replace and upgrade slide gate with 8" X 6' Fresno 101C slide gate.	\$1,900	2012-019

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE BOARD ATTENDANCE AT THE
ACWA SPRING CONFERENCE IN MONTEREY MAY 8 – 11, 2012

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the Board's attendance at the ACWA Spring Conference in Monterey, May 8 – 11, 2012.

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE THE JOINT PROSECUTION AND DEFENSE AGREEMENT
AND AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT

Director Webb asked if this agreement would preclude the District from taking any action on its own. General Manager Steve Knell stated no and that the District can withdraw from this agreement at any time.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the Joint Prosecution and Defense Agreement and authorize General Manager to execute said agreement.

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE THE SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES ASSOCIATION
JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT AND
AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT

Director Webb asked if this agreement would preclude the District from taking actions on its own. General Manager Steve Knell stated no and that the District can withdraw from the JPA at any time.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the San Joaquin Tributaries Association Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement and authorize General Manager to execute said agreement.

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE
CAMPBELL DEEP WELL PUMP AND MOTOR INSTALLATION PROJECT

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the Notice of Completion for the Campbell Deep Well Pump and Motor Installation Project.

ITEM NO. 9
APPROVE GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS
FOR VARIOUS VENDORS AND CONTRACTORS
(CUSTOM FIRE PROTECTION, AMERICAN CRANE
RENTAL, AND APPLGATE TEEPLES DRILLING CO., INC.)

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the General Services Agreements for various vendors and contractors (Custom Fire Protection, American Crane Rental, and Applegate Teeples Drilling Co., Inc.).

ITEM NO. 10
APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 002 TO THE GENERAL
SERVICES AGREEMENT 2011-GSA-035 WITH
HAZARDOUS MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE A
PHASE I FEASIBILITY ESA FOR THE GREGER ROAD PROPERTY

Director Alpers asked if this Work Release was for Parcel 1. Contracts and Special Projects Manager Gary Jernigan stated that it was for Parcel 3.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 002 to the General Services Agreement 2011-GSA-035 with Hazardous Waste Management Service, Inc. to provide a Phase I Feasibility ESA for Greger Road Property.

ITEM NO. 11

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

ITEM NO. 12

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

ITEM NO. 13
APPROVE DEFERRED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL
AGREEMENT AS A CONDITION OF APPROVAL TO IRRIGATE A
SUBSTANDARD PARCEL (APNS: 064-032-067/068 – B & D FARMS, LLC)

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to approve the Deferred Conditions of Approval Agreement as a Condition of Approval to Irrigate a Substandard Parcel (APNS: 064-032-067/068 – B & D Farms, LLC).

ACTION ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19

ITEM NO. 14
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON
START OF 2012 IRRIGATION SEASON AND ADOPTION OF
LEVEL I DROUGHT MEASURES TO BEGIN THE IRRIGATION SEASON

The recent Bureau of Reclamation's 90% exceedance projection for the inflow to New Melones Reservoir last month was 475,000 acre feet. While a good number, it is still very preliminary. If that number is correct, under the 88' Stipulation Agreement formula, OID's allocation for the water year would be 258,300 acre feet. Of that, approximately 8,000 acre feet would be deducted from last October's rotation. Still forgoing 10 day rotations, suspending all out-of-district irrigation services (including Fringe Parcels in which applications have been submitted for annexation), running deep wells as needed and a strict enforcement of tailwater minimization by DSOs, water shortages to landowners may be minimal.

Fields are dry and the near-term forecasts are still not great for any significant precipitation. With the dry conditions, it is staff's recommendation to start the 2012 water season on March 7th. This early start will add another debt to our tight water budget, but it is believed that with good grower cooperation and everyone being water smart this year, we should be O.K.

In the absence of any carryover of snowpack from the previous winter, OID's water outlook next season would not appear promising if a consecutive dry winter is experienced. The attached memo is provided to outline the recommendations of staff for implementation to the start of the 2012 Water Season. Any water conserved at the end of the 2012 Water Season could be applied toward the conservation account to draw upon in the future as necessary. Our focus should be to drive as much savings this year into October to our Conservation Account for potential use in the 2013 irrigation season.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to start water on March 7, 2012.

ITEM NO. 15
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION
TO HIRE A TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE TO ACT AS
A WATER COP DURING THE 2012 IRRIGATION SEASON

This item was requested to be placed on the agenda for possible action.

Last water season OID hired two temporary employees for the season, local educators (teachers) who were unemployed after the school year ended, to work as DSOs. This proved to be very positive for covering vacations and such with DSOs and minimized overtime expenses.

Under this scenario it is envisioned that these employees would be brought back again and would fill-in for a DSO shift and while the teachers ran the division, the DSO on-duty could be available to actively monitor and patrol the "hot spots" in other divisions around the district. Staff thinks this approach is workable at no additional cost to what is currently budgeted. Staff recommends a wait and see approach.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to not take any action at this time and see how the water year plays out.

ITEM NO. 16
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO INCREASE THE
DISTRICT'S FINE FOR THEFT OF WATER FOR THE 2012 IRRIGATION SEASON

At the February 21st Board Meeting, the Board requested that an increase of the fine for the theft of water be considered on the next agenda. Attached for discussion is Resolution 2011-48 (Charges Related to Irrigation Water Service and Related Fees) and specifically Item 13 of that resolution states the following:

In accordance with Penal Code, Section 498 – "Theft of Utility Services", the District shall charge two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per occurrence, for the unauthorized adjusting of delivery gates which results in a change in the amount of water being delivered.

OID staff recommends the following change in the policy language for better clarity:

In accordance with Penal Code, Section 498 – "Theft of Utility Services", the District shall charge _____ dollars (\$____) per occurrence, for the unauthorized taking or adjusting of delivery gates which results in a theft or out-of-rotation delivery or change in the flow amount of water being delivered. Fines to be assessed on first-offense occurrences.

Fines should be appropriately set to be deterrence. It is not the worth of the water it is the impacts to downstream landowners and the time it takes staff to find and correct these unauthorized taking of water.

Director Clark would like staff to verify the maximum fine amount that can be charged for theft of water and bring it back to the Board for action on March 20, 2012.

ITEM NO. 17
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE STORM
DRAINAGE AGREEMENT FOR THE REED POND
(APN: 006-012-081 RIVER OAK GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH)

The attached February 27, 2012 Technical Memorandum (TM) provides a discussion and alternatives for reviewing the Storm Drainage Agreement to the Reed Pond for River Oak Grace Community Church. The Church believes the fees for the Storm Drainage Agreement are too high and requested a review by the OID Water Committee. The OID

Water Committee agrees with OID Staff that a Storm Drainage Agreement is necessary to allow continued discharge to the Reed Pond. The fee structure and subsequent annual fee remains to be addressed by the Board of Directors.

While the attached TM is intended to support the existing fee structure, Staff also wishes to remind the Board that it costs OID approximately \$5/LF on an annual basis for Operation and Maintenance of our conveyance system. Setting aside the O&M cost for the pump and using the existing 3,000 LF of downstream conveyance facilities, the calculated O&M cost on an annual basis is approximately \$15,000. When you combine annual costs associated with;(1) OID's cost for O&M of the existing pump; (2) OID's cost for O&M of the existing downstream conveyance facilities; (3) OID's cost for manpower to operation and provide oversight on these systems; and (4) the approximate valuation as a "retainer" for maintaining the right to use the facilities, it appears that acceptance and conveyance of storm water generated on the project site is already heavily subsidized by OID.

From Staff's evaluation and in the interest of OID agricultural constituents, it would not be appropriate for OID to further subsidize the financial burden of the church's activities. For River Oak Grace Community Church, it is an issue of avoided costs by securing OID's system for their storm water management. OID's service fee for handling the church's storm water is cheaper than any other alternative and should not be adjusted.

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve River Oak Grace Community Church's continued storm drainage to the Reed Pond under the terms and conditions of the Storm Drainage Agreement as currently written.

Staff and members of the Water Committee were available to answer any questions that the Board may have.

John Willbanks with RRM Design Group was present and was representing the interests of River Oak Grace Community Church.

After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Agreement and bring the Storm Drainage Fee issue back to the Water Committee for further discussion and back to the Board for action on March 20, 2012.

ITEM NO. 18

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

ITEM NO. 19
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE
SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION
CORPS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS A SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCE
FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES ON AN AS NEEDED
BASIS AND AUTHORIZE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT

The District was contacted by the California Conservation Corps (CCC) as to the possibility of providing construction and maintenance services to the District. The CCC was established by the State of California to provide job skills, training, and educational opportunities to young adults between the ages of 18 and 25. The CCC is partially funded by the State of California and from collected fees from public agencies they contract with. A CCC Supervisor and a Project Coordinator made a presentation to staff regarding the resources, capabilities, and services they provide.

With the large amount of access to District facilities restricted by trees and berry vines, etc. the CCC can provide the manpower to remove trees, vines, and general cleanup to these right-of-ways. The CCC provides 12-man crews with a supervisor, small tools, consumable supplies, PPE, and transportation. The cost to the District is a base rate of \$18.77 per hour per crew member. The CCC offers a two-year contract for 10,000 man-hours for a Not-to-Exceed amount of \$187,700. The contract is a non-binding contract and the District can use any portion of this dollar amount and/or cancel the contract at any time. If heavy equipment or operators are needed, that would be done by OID forces. The State of California also covers the cost of state funded insurance for liability and workers' compensation.

Staff recommends authorizing the General Manager to execute an agreement with an initial release of \$40,000 to remove the trees on the West Thalhiem Lateral. Both parties agree this would provide the District a good indication of CCC's capabilities and whether the working relationship could continue with both parties receiving benefit.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Sponsorship Agreement with the California Conservation Corps, State of California, as a supplemental resource for construction and maintenance services on an as needed basis and authorize the General Manager to execute said agreement.

DISCUSSION

ITEM NO. 20
DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION BY THE CITY OF
OAKDALE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

City Recreation Department staff will provide an overview of the benefits derived from the OID funding to their water safety, water conservation and summer swim programs.

Linda Royalty, Recreation Supervisor with the City of Oakdale Recreation Department and Brea DeRespini, Recreation Services Coordinator with the City of Oakdale Recreation

Department were present and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Community Pool and water safety.

COMMUNICATIONS **ITEM NO. 21**

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

Safety Activities

1. OID has gone 83 days without a lost time injury accident.
2. Fire extinguisher training held February 28th.

Administration Activities

1. Continue to meet with OE3 bargaining group on renewal of labor contract.
2. Attended and made presentation at the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau-Eastern Sectional Meeting held February 23rd.
3. Attended TID Anniversary Event and preview of the "Irrigationist", a 1-1/2 movie of their history since formation. Very good production.
4. Attended Assemblyperson Kristen Olsen's evening coffee on February 23rd.
5. Discussed and reviewed OID's response to the Knights Ferry Petition to the Supreme Court on their trial court and appellate court decisions.
6. Was interviewed by Irrigation Leader magazine on the water conservation work we have done and are doing at OID.
7. Was interviewed by a free-lance journalist Deanna Wulff on the impacts of the bay-delta actions by the DSC, the Bay Delta Conservation Plan and the SWRCB's unimpaired flow criteria recommendation for the San Joaquin River.

Contract and Special Project Activities

1. 2-Mile Bar Tunnel (CEQA & Engineering) – Agreement has been reached with the Hodgdon for the Two-Mile Bar Tunnel and Service Road easements. The letter requires the legal description for the Service Road easement which will require a survey to be conducted. The field work for the survey was completed on February 27, 2012. Once the plat and legal description has been provided the Letter of Offer will be sent to Hodgdon Enterprises, LP.
The Corps of Engineers, Sacramento Section, has responded to OID's letter with direction to proceed with NEPA process. CH2MHILL prepare a draft of the Environmental Assessment Document for OID's review. It is in the process of being reviewed by the OID personnel.
2. Campbell Deep Well Pump and Motor Replacement – Amerine Systems commence work on February 10, 2012. The work was completed and accepted on February 16, 2012. The production test indicated a flow of 2,028 gpm.
3. Janitorial Service Contract was awarded to Jan-Pro Cleaning Systems. Jan-Pro Cleaning Systems commenced the work on March 1, 2012.
4. Crane Certification Training Contract was awarded to Crane Care Operations located in Sacramento. The scheduling of classes is being reviewed with Support Services as to when the operators can be available.

5. South Main Rehabilitation from the 2nd Concrete Flue to, and including, the Willms Siphon was started with a Kick-Off and project scope clarification meeting on February 2, 2012. Field investigation and survey work is in process and will be completed in canal and inside the siphon on or before March 7, 2012. The remaining field work will be completed once water is in the canal. The design work is in progress and will be completed around May 1, 2012.
6. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel Design continuation started on February 2, 2012. Project Scope definition has been finalized for the Third Stage Exploration geotechnical work. Drilling company has been identified and discussions for their scope of work and schedule will be completed by April 1, 2012.
7. North Side Regulating Reservoir Deep Well – Bid package is being drafted for review. The package is scheduled to go out for bids on or about March 16, 2012 with bids due on or about April 18, 2012.
8. Ongoing discussions with Landowners for potential sites to relocate office complex.
9. Bids sent out for Fork Lift and Class 8 Truck and are due on March 13, 2012.
10. MID Water Conveyance System – A feasibility study and estimate for three options has been completed. A Technical Memo is in preparation for future project development.
11. Continued with audits of billings on services contracts and drafted contracts for renewal.
12. Continued with the District Standard Specifications Manual. Will follow the Construction Standards Institute (CSI) format.
13. Contract Administration activities on contracts to be renewed and/or issued, Work Releases and Change Orders for all contracts.

Construction Activities

1. OID crews have completed the assigned tasks in preparation for the potential start of the water season. Auto Shop staff has completed the preseason checks on all DSO vehicles.
2. Assisting Water Dept. as needed in anticipation of the potential start to the water season.
3. Met with California Conservation Corps representatives and Mr. Jernigan on February 23rd to discuss a potential agreement.
4. Received the signed release of liability from Mr. Twer on February 27th. OID will now schedule the work to be completed agreed upon in correspondence.
5. Specifications have been completed and bid packages have been sent to various vendors for the purchase of a new two axle class eight truck and forklift approved in the 2012 Budget,
6. District crews completed the construction and installation of four new Rubicon slip meters on the Kearney, Heggie, Adams No. 2 & Gray Headgates.
7. Assisting Engineering Dept. with plan review of future projects.

Engineering Activities

1. Honolulu Bar Mitigation Project – Construction start date set for June 15th. Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures Plan completed and sent to NMFS for review with respect to on island fueling.
2. Rubicon (TCC) – Assisting the Water Operations and Support Services Department as necessary.

3. SBX7-7 – Next A1 ASC meeting set for 3/30/12 in Sacramento. OID was a signatory to an all-encompassing comment letter signed by many ag suppliers with respect to the DRAFT Report regarding the Quantification of Ag Water Use Efficiency.
4. Ag Water Management Plan – JBD supporting Water Operations as necessary. Project meeting held 2/24/12 to discuss findings of water balance.
5. Long Term Irrigated Lands Program – Ongoing participation in both the Delta and East San Joaquin Coalitions.
6. STRGBA – USGS Groundwater Model progressing - slowly. Next STRGBA meeting to be held 4/12/12 at MID. Working with MID on expansion of monitoring wells within Modesto Sub-basin.
7. Knights Ferry/Boatright – Progressing as directed.
8. Union Slough Water Quality Enhancement Project – All civil works have been completed. DRAFT O&M Agreement reviewed by GM and Mr. Jackson and sent to legal counsel for subsequent review. No progress to report as of 2/28/12.
9. Riggs Townhill Pipeline Encroachment Request – No progress to report.
10. Willms – DRAFT Easement Agreement sent to Ms. Savery on 2/8/12. Haven't heard from the Willms or Ms. Savery since delivery.
11. Cost Estimates and Requests for Work – Assisting Support Services as necessary.
12. Reviewing numerous land use conversion projects with respect to new turnout installations, Ag Discharge Agreements and Encroachment Agreements.
13. Trieste – Final design drawings complete. DRAFT Agreement received by OID has been reviewed and returned to the City of Oakdale for changes.
14. Trinitas – Environmental component of Project on hold for 2-3 months.
15. 5 year CIP – Preparing with Support Services and Water Ops.
16. Hinds Lateral Relocation – Alignment meeting with Mr. Brichetto and Jason Jones held 2/28/12. Need to review with Water Ops with respect to changing the location of the headgate.
17. BRAE Career Fair – JBD attended the BRAE Career Fair on 3/1/12 and participated in and “Industry Panel” at the Cal Poly ASCE meeting on 2/29/12.

Water Operations Activities

Ag Water

1. Conducted various landowner meetings and field review to discuss future private land conversion projects and misc. irrigation issues needing to be addressed before water deliveries commence next irrigation season.
2. Completed additional Job Setup Forms for the last of the necessary misc. winter repairs and maintenance.
3. Pesticide Department continued pre-emergent herbicide applications, treated select locations of berries on the South Main Canal over the Wilms Syphon and began weed control applications around OID pump houses.
4. Completed and submitted the 2011 Annual Report to the SWRCB in accordance with the provisions of the NPDES General Permit.
5. Assisted Engineering Department in gathering necessary flow data and staking water levels for current private encroachment construction, land development and future OID projects.

6. Met with Davids Engineering on 02-24-12 to review the draft water balance, progress to date and schedule moving forward to complete a first draft of the updated Agricultural Water Management Plan.
7. Continued to process and assist in the management of additional landowner requests for deep well rentals and conveyance channel agreements to accommodate winter irrigation with groundwater.
8. Continued management of District facilities to convey various operational inflows and winter storm flows through the system as necessary while also taking into consideration the locations of the current and proposed winter construction and maintenance activities.
9. Revised the staff recommendation for starting the 2012 water season on March 7th along with the proposed operating procedures during the season given the anticipated water shortage.
10. Began Knights Ferry Ag deliveries on 03-01-12 and swapped the Knights Ferry domestic water supply to surface water on 03-02-12.
11. Prepared and conducted DSO training and orientation on 03-02-12.
12. Completed integration of new SCADA sites into the ClearSCADA system for remote automated control and monitoring during the 2012 water season.

Water Operations Activities

Water Utilities

1. Improvement District No. 41: A meeting with the ID Committee was held on Monday, February 13th, to discuss the DRAFT cost comparison analysis on merging with the City of Oakdale versus staying a standalone system. An ID 41 general membership meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 21st to review and discuss the analysis. In the meantime Pumping Station No. 3 remains out of service due to high turbidity issues.
2. Domestic Pumping Stations: Staff continues to conduct weekly inspection, servicing and security checks of the pumping stations.
3. Rural Water System #1: Monthly meter readings were collected for customer billing.
4. Sierra Sunset Pumping Station in RWS #1:
 - The site remains out of service while repairs to the 125 hp submersible pump are being performed.
 - Repairs are expected to take another 2-4 weeks.
5. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
 - Staff has started conducting routine inspection, servicing and security checks of the irrigation pumping stations in preparation for the start of the 2012 Water Season. All Irrigation pumping stations are ready for the 2012 Water Season.
 - Several OID pumps remain activated for frost control rental use.
6. Furtado Deep Well Project:
 - The installation of the VFD is currently underway.
 - The site remains operational during this process.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee, March 2, 2012 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Auditor's Meeting
- Annual Increases in Consultants' Fees
- Bidder's List for District Pool Vehicles

Director Clark stated that the Finance Committee met with the auditors and discussed the audit.

C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Webb

Director Webb stated that the Water Committee needs to discuss the District's Pond Policy.

At the hour of 10:45 a.m. the meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

ITEM NO. 22 **CLOSED SESSION**

- A. **Government Code §54957.6** – Conference with Labor Negotiator
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Unrepresented Employee Organization: Operations Employees, Exempt Management, Exempt Supervisory, and Confidential Employees
- B. **Government Code §54957.6** - Conference with Labor Negotiator
Agency Negotiator: Board of Directors
Unrepresented Employee Organization: IBEW and All Employees of the Tri-Dam Project
- C. **Government Code §54956.9** - Existing Litigation
Eakin, et al., v. Oakdale Irrigation District
- D. **Government Code §54956.9(b)** - Anticipated Litigation
One (1) Case

At the hour of 11:45 a.m. the meeting returned to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session Director Clark stated that there was no reportable action.

OTHER ACTION **ITEM NO. 22**

At the hour of 11:45 a.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 20, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

The next Joint Board Meeting for the **Tri-Dam Project** is scheduled for **Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, 11011 East Highway 120, Manteca, CA.

Frank Clark, President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary