

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
August 4, 2015

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: Steve Webb, President
Herman Doornenbal, Vice President
Frank Clark
Al Bairos, Jr.
Gary Osmundson

Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary
Jason Jones, Support Services Manager
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

There being no Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:01 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

Director Clark requested that Item No. 7 be removed from the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT ITEMS
ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11

ITEM NO. 2
APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 21, 2015 AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2015-59 and 2015-60

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July, 21, 2015 and Resolution Nos. 2015-59 and 2015-60.

ITEM NO. 3
APPROVE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 4
APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the following Assignment of Capital Work Order Numbers:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Work Order No.</u>
North Main Canal	Rehab approximately 8,000 LF of the south bank of the North Main Canal.	\$651,123	2014-032
North Main Canal	Rehab approximately 4,300 LF of Levee.	\$350,821	2014-037
South Main Canal	Bank splitting and replacement of unsuitable soil.	\$227,285	2014-038
Thompson Lateral	Rehabilitation of approximately 1,300 LF of levee to remove and replace unsuitable soil.	\$ 23,000	2014-054
Palmer Lateral	Bank splitting.	\$ 41,065	2014-056
Merrihew Pipeline	Remove and upgrade existing flow Meter with a Krohne Enviromag 2000 Series Mag Meter.	\$ 24,600	2015-008
Modesto Drain	Remove and upgrade existing gate with a new 36" Fresno Model 10C flap gate.	\$ 3,500	2015-009
Kearney Lateral	Remove and upgrade existing gate with a new 15" x 8' Fresno 101C slide gate.	\$ 2,200	2015-010

East Clavey Pipeline	Remove and upgrade existing gate with a new 18" x 14' Fresno 101C slide gate.	\$ 3,100	2015-011
Riverbank Pipeline	Remove and upgrade existing gate with a new 14" x 14' Fresno 101C slide gate.	\$ 2,500	2015-012
Ozborn Pipeline	Installation of 500' of 15" 100 PIP PVC pipe, two air vent assemblies, and miscellaneous appurtenances.	\$ 29,800	2015-029

Cancelled

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Work Order No.</u>
Crane Pipeline (Deleted)	Remove and upgrade existing gates with two new 12" x 15.5' Fresno 101C slide gates.	\$ 4,700	2014-043
Paulsell Lateral	Paulsell Valley Conveyance Project - Phase I: planning, surveying, environmental and 30% of the preliminary engineering costs of increasing the flow rate through approx. 23,000 feet of the Paulsell Lateral.	\$375,000	2014-050
Waste Water Recycling	Initial study as to the quality and water discharged by the City of Oakdale that may be treated for use within the District.	\$35,000	2014-052

ITEM NO. 5
APPROVE REJECTION OF CLAIM FOR DAMAGES FILED BY CHRIS AND SUZANNE LANG

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to reject the Claim for Damages filed by Chris and Suzanne Lang and forward it to ACWA/JPIA for handling.

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 013 TO GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2013-GSA-053 WITH DON PEDRO PUMP TO PROVIDE, INSTALL AND COMMISSION A 75 HP VFD AT THE HILLSBOROUGH ESTATES #2 PUMP

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 013 to General Services Agreement 2013-GSA-053 with Don Pedro Pump to provide, install and commission a 75 HP VFD at the Hillsborough Estates #2 Pump.

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 045 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-015 WITH GIULIANI & KULL, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO DEVELOP A STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN (SWPPP) FOR THE KEARNEY SPILL PIPELINE PROJECT

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 045 to Professional Services Agreement 2009-PSA-015 with Giuliani & Kull, Inc. for Professional Services to develop a storm water pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) for the Kearney Spill Pipeline Project.

ITEM NO. 9
APPROVE AGRICULTURAL DISCHARGE PERMIT ON THE RIVERBANK LATERAL (APN: 064-028-013 – SEAN P. CARROLL AND SUNDAY CARROLL)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Agricultural Discharge Permit on the Riverbank Lateral (APN: 064-028-013- Sean P. Carroll and Sunday Carroll).

ITEM NO. 10
APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE RIVERBANK LATERAL (APN: 064-028-013 – SEAN P. CARROLL AND SUNDAY CARROLL)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Riverbank Lateral (APN: 064-028-013 – Sean P. Carroll and Sunday Carroll).

ITEM NO. 11
APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE TOWN HILL PIPELINE (APN: 064-028-004/014 – SEAN P. CARROLL AND SUNDAY CARROLL)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Townhill Pipeline (APN: 064-028-004/014 – Sean P. Carroll and Sunday Carroll).

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEM NOS. 7, 12, 13, 14

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2013-GSA-040 WITH HOLT OF CALIFORNIA FOR REVISED HOURLY RATES

Director Clark asked if we have ever called Holt of California out for services on one of the District's pieces of equipment. Support Services Manager Jason Jones stated that the District has only called them out one time. He stated that the service is on an on-call emergency basis for the repair of equipment in the field.

A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 3 to General Services Agreement 2013-GSA-040 with Holt of California for revised hourly rates.

ITEM NO. 12
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADJUST
WATER ALLOTMENT BASED ON SEASON WATER USE TO DATE

Water use to date has been a challenge. Having little history in cause and effect to draw upon staff has noted a significant change in OID water use patterns this year brought on by the allocation system adopted by the Board on April 21st.

Staff is comfortable that OID is on target to meet and likely exceed its state and federal target commitments set at the start of the water season. As indicated on the attached 2015 Water Budget Tracking Sheet, water use to-date has been 115,799 acre feet through July. OID's water target was set at 210,000 acre feet for the season. The difference (210K-115.8K) means OID has about 94,200 acre feet of water to finish the water season. Water Use in 2014 for August and September was 58,900 acre feet. Based on last year's trend numbers there is a potential of 35,300 acre feet (94.2K-58.9K) of available water.

Increasing the allocation to 44 inches for Tiered I and to 14 inches for Tiered II water users would equate to a water use of about 22,700 acre feet. This leaves enough comfort room to re-evaluate water status again in September.

Staff is comfortable to recommend such a change.

Public comment was received from Gene Walker on this agenda item.

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to increase the allocation to 44 inches for Tiered I water users and to 14 inches for Tiered II water users.

ITEM NO. 13
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO AWARD OAK
GROVE CEMETERY ASPHALT BID TO THE LOWEST QUALIFIED
BIDDER – HENSLEY'S PAVING & GENERAL ENGINEERING, INC.

This paving project is to fulfill a requirement of the Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Easement dated May 1, 2013 for the acquisition of a thirty foot perpetual easement through the Oak Grove Cemetery for the installation of the Morrison Pipeline. The relocation of the Morrison Lateral Heading was performed to separate Knights Ferry water from OID water.

Staff solicited bids from five (5) contractors; Ross F. Carroll, Inc., Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc., Hensley's Paving & General Engineering, Inc., Garret Thompson Construction, Inc. and Ragsdale & Son, Inc. Staff received bids from all five (5) contractors with Hensley's Paving & General Engineering, Inc. providing the lowest qualified bid of \$18,161.00.

The scope of work will require the contractor to furnish and install approximately 4500 sq/ft of 4-inch minimum ½-inch asphalt at the Oak Grove Cemetery, Knights Ferry, CA.

Staff recommends awarding the bid to Hensley's Paving & General Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$18,161.00.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Osmundson, and unanimously supported to award the Oak Grove Cemetery asphalt bid to Hensley's Paving & General Engineering, Inc.

ITEM NO. 14
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON OAKDALE
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION'S CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

The Oakdale Educational Foundation submitted a request for a contribution for their 2015 annual fundraiser event to be held on September 26, 2015. The Board has approved their request for several years. The sum requested exceeds the Planning and Public Relations Committee's limits and is being brought before the full Board. The amount requested is the same amount that was approved by the Board last year.

Public comment was received from Linda Santos on this item.

A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to contribute \$5,000 to the Oakdale Educational Foundation.

DISCUSSION
ITEM NOS. 15

ITEM NO. 15
DISCUSSION ON REINITIATING THE ON-FARM
CONSERVATION FUNDING PROGRAM FOR 2016

As required by Water Code Section 10608.48 (c) (3) water suppliers shall, "facilitate the financing of capital improvements for on-farm irrigation systems." A program to do just that at OID was developed and approved back in the fall of 2013. It was called the On-Farm Conservation Funding Program.

OID attempted to implement this program in 2015 but because of the deepening drought and a CEQA challenge by a local farmer, Louis Brichetto, the program was discontinued. However, its discontinuation was met with great disappointment by a number of OID landowners who saw great value and potential in the program's benefits. Prior to its discontinuation the program had over 140 parcels interested in participating.

Staff is requesting that it be allowed to proceed with reinitiating the On Farm Conservation Funding Program for the 2016 water season. To do that, the CEQA process needs to begin now.

If there is Board concurrence, this item will be agendaized for the next Board meeting to proceed with the CEQA process.

The Board concurred that this item be placed on the next Board Meeting agenda.

ITEM NO. 16 **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

General Manager reported that Tri-Dam posted an update on Tulloch on their website and the possibility of using Tulloch to maintain the water temperature at the proper level.

Safety Activities

1. OID has gone 184 days without a lost time injury accident.

Administration Activities

1. The Candidate Filing period for the November ballot opened Monday, July 13th and will last to Friday, August 7th. OID Directors up for election include Director Clark and Bairos for 4-year seats and Director Osmundson for the remaining 2-year seat of Division 5.
2. Tri Dam Meeting held in Strawberry on July 22nd.
3. Marjorie Blom retired at LAFCO as CEO. Attended her farewell/good luck party on the 28th.
4. GM spoke to the Oakdale Realtors Association on July 30th.
5. Save the Stan meeting of agencies on July 30th.
6. Lori is preparing a water education booth for National Night Out on August 4th at Burchell Hills.
7. SJTA meeting on August 5th.
8. OID has been accepted as an intervener in the CalSPA suit against the SWRCB, DWR, and BOR over their operations of the state and federal pumps.
9. In a separate complaint filed last week, CalSPA asserts that the State Water Board should halt or curtail the irrigation of pasture and alfalfa during the drought.
10. Water theft warnings to landowners are on the rise. Have not issued fines on second violations as of yet. It's apparent some landowners are avoiding having to buy water they are short by stealing their neighbors water or opening OID gates.
11. OID drain pumps, pumps that send water out of service area, are pumping 55% less when compared to July last year. OID reclamation pumps, pumps that recirculate water to farms or back to laterals, are pumping 42% less when compared to last July. OID deep well pumps are pumping 33% less water when compared to than last July.

Construction Activities

1. C&M crews and equipment operators are working on JSF's generated by Water Dept. staff.
2. Assisting Water Ops./Eng. Dept. with various tasks and field review of potential projects.
3. Conducting Safety Coordinator tasks pertaining to all hands training, Safety Committee meetings and review of weekly tailgate safety meetings.
4. Conducting Contract Administration tasks pertaining to contracts that need to be renewed and work releases that need to be completed with the assistance of Lori.

5. The OID Pest. Dept. continues to apply Magnacide H to District facilities.
6. Received bids for the Morrison Pipeline Project for paving approximately 4500 sq/ft through the Oak Grove Cemetery on July 27th. An agenda item is included in today's Board packet for award of bid.

Water Operations Activities

Engineering

1. Land use Conversion – Continued to work with landowners, tenants, irrigation design companies and Support Services/Water Operations concerning ongoing and future land use conversion projects.
2. Processed Encroachment and Ag Discharge Agreements and continued field inspection during installation of the associated facilities.
3. Staked several OID ROWs at the request of landowners wishing to complete fencing and misc. improvement projects adjacent to OID facilities.
4. After approval of the Negative Declaration at the July 7th Board meeting, the Notice of Determination is posted at the OID office, the Stanislaus County Clerk/Recorders Office, and the San Joaquin County Clerk/Recorders Office for 30 days to complete the CEQA process for the Additional and Fringe Parcels Annexations Project. The next step will be preparation of the legal description and maps of lands to be annexed.
5. Responded to and commented on several requests for information and proposed parcel splits and lot line adjustments.
6. Assembled OID data for submittal to Davids Engineering as requested to initiate the update to OID's water balance and 2012 AWMP.

Ag Water

1. Continued to research and respond to miscellaneous irrigation and maintenance issues and inquiries.
2. Responded to and addressed misc. SCADA operation and control issues as they arose.
3. SCADA/IT staff continued to work with Water Operations personnel to make updates, modifications and corrections to the new STORM volumetric tracking and billing application data.
4. Mock bills showing water usage and charges through May 31st based on the proposed water rate for 2016 were issued for 10 DSO Divisions. Water Operations staff responded to several inquiries mainly regarding flow rates and hours. Updated mock billing through July 31st is anticipated to be issued during the first part of August.
5. Continued to process several Farmer to Farmer Transfer Program Application Agreements. Approximately 42 agreements have been process to date to allow water to move in-district from parcel to parcel.
6. The Water Operations Manager met with staff from LAFCO and the City of Oakdale along with a few members of ID 41 to discuss the proposed connection to the City's water system. The out of boundary service agreement will need to be between the City and OID on behalf of ID 41 per LAFCO standards. A draft agreement is anticipated to be provided by the City for OID's review in the next few weeks.
7. The tenth rotation (eleventh of the 2014/15 water year) is a 13 day rotation and started on or about August 1st. The eleventh rotation will start on or about August 14th and will be 14 days.

Water Utilities

1. Improvement District No. 41:
 - Pumping Station No. 3 remains out of service due to high turbidity issues.
2. Domestic Water Pumping Stations:
 - WUD continues to conduct weekly inspection, servicing and security checks of the pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.
3. Domestic Water Systems:
 - Continued to investigate water waster complaints.
4. Rural Water System No.1 / Schwartz Subdivision:
 - No on site activity.
5. On-Call Activities:
 - Sunday, July 19th, WUD Staff responded to a call of a possible broken water line. The problem was determined to be a private issue.
 - Thursday, July 23rd, WUD staff responded to a no water call. Homeowners service was found to be been shut off.
6. Aquatic Pesticide Application Plan:
 - a. The follow-up set of water quality samples for the South Main Canal were collected on Wednesday, July 22nd.
7. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
 - WUD continues to perform routine inspection, servicing and security checks on the irrigation pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report other than the items listed below:
 - Removed graffiti from the Mootz Pump house.
 - Clavey #1 Booster Pump – Replacement of the failed VFD motor control panel was completed on July 29th. The site has been returned to normal operations.
 - The flow meter at the Thornton Deep Well Pump has been pulled and sent in for repairs.
 - The MCP hour meter on the Huffman Deep Well Pump was replaced.
 - The cooling fan at the Harter Reclamation Pump has failed. Replacement parts have been ordered, the site remains operational.

Finance Activities

1. Prepared workers' compensation actual payroll report to ACWA JPIA for the period July 2014-June 2015.
2. Started preparation for the 2015 Budget.
3. CFO and Administrative Assistant met with the Confidential, Supervisory, and Manager's bargaining on review of revised PR&Rs.
4. Routine accounting functions (AP, AR, PR, billing, reconciliations, etc.)
5. Employee Benefits Fair is scheduled for Friday, October 23, 2015.
6. \$59K in delinquent irrigation water charges and improvement districts charges will be forwarded San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties in mid-August.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tri-Dam Advisory Committee Meeting, August 3, 2015

Director Clark stated that there were three items of interest from the Tri-Dam Advisory Committee Meeting:

1. Tri-Dam is looking in to the potential of cloud seeding; the cost for cloud seeding is \$250,000 plus a CEQA study would have to be done which would cost \$50,000, for a total cost of \$300,000.

2. The property that was purchased on Lake Tulloch to be utilized for public access per the FERC licensing had a fence placed around it to lock out traffic. This property had been utilized by the restaurant for customer parking. Director Clark stated that they anticipate the restaurant owner being present at the Tri-Dam Meeting to discuss this with the Boards.

3. Tri-Dam has looked into having a camera go down and look at the rock trap and penstock at Donnells. This has not been done for several years. Tri-Dam has located a camera that is a fiber optic and will travel seven miles.

There was also discussion on labor negotiations with the IBEW.

C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director Clark

Director Clark had no comments.

Director Osmundson

Director Osmundson had no comments.

Director Bairos

Director Bairos had no comments.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

Director Webb

Director Webb thanked everyone for the great job that is being done this year as it relates to water and the drought.

At the hour of 9:45 a.m. the Board adjourned to Closed Session

ITEM NO. 17
CLOSED SESSION

A. Government Code §54956.8 Conference with Real Property Negotiator

Negotiating Parties: OID, BOR, City and County of San Francisco,
San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority,
Stockton East Water District, State Water
Contractors, Del Puerto Irrigation District, Stanislaus
Regional Water Authority
Property: Water
Agency Negotiators: General Manager and Water Counsel
Under Negotiations: Price and Terms

- 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 §54957**
Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

At the hour of 12:00 a.m. the Board adjourned to open session

Coming out of Closed Session President Webb stated that there was no reportable action.

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 18

The Board Meeting adjourned at the hour of 12:00 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 18, 2015 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, August 20, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, 11011 East Highway 120, Manteca, CA.

Steve Webb, President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary